## **Draft Regulation**

An Act respecting income security (R.S.Q., c. S-3.1.1)

## Income security — Amendments

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), that the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting income security, the text of which appears below, may be made by the Government upon the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The purpose of the draft Regulation is to make certain amendments to the Regulation respecting income security in order to make sure that certain families receiving income security benefits keep the available income needed to cover their children's needs.

The draft Regulation proposes to no longer cut the increases for dependent children whose custody is shared, where the custody time of a parent is equal to or greater than 20 %. It is also intended to increase the benefits for the first and second children in single-parent families including at least 3 dependent children, provided that the third child and any subsequent child are of full age and pursuing studies at the post-secondary level or at the secondary level in vocational training.

Finally, the draft Regulation specifies, for income security purposes, the method for calculating family allowances granted under the Act respecting family benefits (1997, c. 57) and allowances granted under the Programme de l'allocation-logement unifiée, approved by Décret 904-97 dated 9 July 1997.

To date, study of the matter has revealed a positive impact on all the beneficiaries concerned.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Ms. Geneviève Bouchard, Direction des politiques de sécurité du revenu, 425, rue Saint-Amable, 4<sup>e</sup> étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 4Z1 (telephone: (418) 646-2564; fax: (418) 643-0019).

Any interested person having comments to make on the draft Regulation is asked to send them in writing, before the expiry of the 45-day period, to the Minister of State for Employment and Solidarity and Minister of Employment and Solidarity, 425, rue Saint-Amable, 4<sup>e</sup> étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 4Z1.

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## **Regulation to amend the Regulation** respecting income security(\*)

An Act respecting income security (R.S.Q., c. S-3.1.1, s. 91, 1st par., subpars. 4, 5, 7.1 and 2nd par.; 1997, c. 57, s. 58)

**1**. The following is inserted after section 10.6 of the Regulation respecting income security:

**"10.7.** In the case of a family comprised of only one adult member and at least 3 dependent children, where the third dependent child and each of the following children, if any, are of full age and attend a secondary-level educational institution in vocational training or an institution of college or university level, the scale of needs provided for in section 7 shall be increased by \$8.33 for the first child and by \$22.83 for the second.".

**2.** The words "if that percentage is less than 20 %" are added at the end of section 11.4.

**3.** The following is substituted for the third paragraph of section 45:

"However, the amount of special benefits shall be reduced by the allowance granted to the family under the Programme de l'allocation-logement unifiée, approved by Décret 904-97 dated 9 July 1997. The amount of that reduction shall be established by taking into account the annual amount of that lodging allowance, divided by 12.".

**4.** Section 52.1 is amended

(1) by inserting the words "the annual amount of the family allowance, divided by 12, is considered as having been realized by the family and" after the word "section," in the second paragraph; and

(2) by deleting the last sentence of the second paragraph.

**5.** This Regulation comes into force on 1 September 1998.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>\*</sup> The Regulation respecting income security, made by Order in Council 922-89 dated 14 June 1989 (1989, G.O. 2, 2443), was last amended by the Regulation made by Order in Council 619-98 dated 6 May 1998 (1998, G.O. 2, 1819). For previous amendments, refer to the Tableau des modifications et Index sommaire, Éditeur officiel du Québec, 1998, updated to 1 March 1998.