credited and the contributions to the retirement plan shall be determined, for each of the circumstances, in the manner prescribed by those regulations as they read on the date on which they are applied.".

**7.** This Regulation replaces Chapters 5, 8, 9 and 9.1 of the Regulation respecting certain terms of employment applicable to executive directors of regional boards and of public health and social services institutions made by Order in Council 1179-92 dated 12 August 1992.

**8.** This Regulation comes into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* except for section 4 that has effect from 1 May 1999.

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## **T.B. 193821,** 21 September 1999

An Act respecting health services and social services (R.S.Q., c. S-4.2)

#### Regional boards and health and social services institutions — Officers

## - Amendments

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting accessibility to positions, remuneration, group insurance plans and employment stability measures applicable to officers of regional boards and health and social services institutions

WHEREAS the Government made the Regulation respecting accessibility to positions, remuneration, group insurance plans and employment stability measures applicable to officers of regional boards and health and social services institutions by Order in Council 1218-96 dated 25 September 1996;

WHEREAS it is necessary to amend the provisions of the Regulation concerning leave for activities in the North, performance premiums, the parental rights and deferred salary leave plans and progressive pre-retirement;

WHEREAS under sections 159 and 205 of the Act to amend the Act respecting health services and social services and amending various legislative provisions (1998, c. 39) and section 487.2 of the Act respecting health services and social services (R.S.Q., c. S-4.2; 1998, c. 39, s. 155), such a regulation must be submitted for approval by the Conseil du trésor; THEREFORE, THE CONSEIL DU TRÉSOR PRESCRIBES:

1. THAT the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting accessibility to positions, remuneration, group insurance plans and employment stability measures applicable to officers of regional boards and health and social services institutions, attached hereto, be approved;

2. THAT the Regulation be published in the *Gazette* officielle du Québec.

ALAIN PARENTEAU, Clerk of the Conseil du trésor

## Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting accessibility to positions, remuneration, group insurance plans and employment stability measures applicable to officers of regional boards and health and social services institutions<sup>(\*)</sup>

An Act respecting health services and social services (R.S.Q., c. S-4.2, s. 487.2)

**L**• The following is substituted for the title of the Regulation respecting accessibility to positions, remuneration, group insurance plans and employment stability measures applicable to officers of regional boards and health and social services institutions:

## "Regulation respecting certain terms of employment applicable to officers of regional boards and health and social services institutions".

**2.** The table of contents of the Regulation is amended

(1) by adding the following Division after Division 3 of Chapter 1:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>\*</sup> The Regulation respecting accessibility to positions, remuneration, group insurance plans and employment stability measures applicable to officers of regional boards and health and social services institutions, made by Order in Council 1218-96 dated 25 September 1996 (1996, *G.O.* 2, 4202), was last amended by the Regulation made by Order in Council 926-97 dated 9 July 1997 (1997, *G.O.* 2, 4178). For previous amendments, refer to the *Tableau des modifications et Index sommaire*, Éditeur officiel du Québec, 1999, updated to 1 March 1999.

"DIVISION 4	SECTION	SUBDIVISION 4 PARENTAL LEAVE AND PARTIAL	
"DIVISION 4 LEAVE FOR ACTIVITIES IN THE NORTH	6.1";	LEAVE WITHOUT PAY SUBDIVISION 5	76.54
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(2) by inserting the following Division after Division 6 of Chapter 3:		RESPONSIBILITIES	76.61
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(2) by incerting the following Chartens		DIVISION 1 CENEDAL	
(3) by inserting the following Chapters after Division 8 of Chapter 4:		GENERAL	
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END OF THE AGREEMENT 76.107";

(4) by substituting the following titles for the title of Appendix I:

## **"APPENDIX I**

SALARY CLASSES AS OF 1 JANUARY 1998

## APPENDIX I.I

SALARY CLASSES AS OF 1 APRIL 1998".

**3.** Chapter 1 is amended by adding the following Division after section 6:

## **"DIVISION 4**

## LEAVE FOR ACTIVITIES IN THE NORTH

**6.1.** Upon agreement with his employer, an officer may obtain leave without pay to temporarily hold a position in one of the following institutions:

- Centre de santé de la Basse Côte-Nord;
- Centre de santé Innulitsivik;
- Centre de santé Tulattavik de l'Ungava;
- Centre hospitalier Chisasibi;

- Cree Board of Health and Social Services of James Bay;

— Centre de santé de l'Hématite (Schefferville and Kawawachikamac centres).

**6.2.** The leave without pay, for a maximum of 12 months, must be applied for 30 days in advance. It may be renewed for a maximum of 12 months.

**6.3.** The terms of employment applicable to an officer during his stay in the North are those provided for in section 2.

**6.4.** If the duration of the leave without pay is one year and if, during that period, an officer holds another officer position, his participation in the group insurance plans shall be maintained in accordance with the second paragraph of section 2. In other cases, the officer's participation in the group insurance plans shall be maintained according to the provisions of the second, fourth and fifth paragraphs of section 33.

Should an officer become disabled, the leave ends and the officer shall resume his position with his original employer in accordance with section 6.7. He shall benefit from the salary insurance plans in accordance with Division 5 of Chapter 4. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the officer and the employers involved may conclude an agreement whereby the officer shall stay on leave without pay and continue to hold the temporary position, in accordance with section 6.2.

The agreement provided for in the second paragraph shall contain the name of the employer responsible for the short-term salary insurance plan and of the employer responsible for the other group insurance plan measures referred to in Chapter 4.

**6.5.** During an officer's leave without pay, the provisions of the pension plans in question shall apply.

**6.6.** An officer's annual vacation, accumulated until the effective date of the leave without pay, may be paid upon agreement with the original employer. Accumulated statutory or mobile holidays shall be treated as accumulated annual vacation.

**6.7.** Upon return from leave without pay, an officer shall resume his position with his original employer, subject to the provisions respecting employment stability provided for in Chapter 5. His terms of employment shall be the same as those to which he would have been entitled had he remained at work.".

**4.** Chapter 3 is amended by inserting the following Division after section 23:

#### "DIVISION 6.1 PERFORMANCE PREMIUM

**23.1.** The parameters of the lump-sum performance premium are established by the Conseil du trésor. For the 1998-1999 fiscal year, the terms and conditions of application shall be fixed by the Minister.".

**5.** The following is substituted for section 37:

"37. An officer holding a regular position of officer at 25 % and less of full-time is not eligible for the group insurance plans provided for in this Chapter. He shall therefore be paid a compensatory lump sum equal to 6 % of his salary."

**6.** Section 71 is amended by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the insurer is released from his obligations under this Division by paying a lump sum to the officer, the employer shall terminate the disabled officer's employment relationship.".

**7.** The following Chapters are added after section 76:

## "CHAPTER 4.1 PARENTAL RIGHTS PLAN

**76.1** Unless expressly stated otherwise, the provisions of this Chapter may not grant financial or non-financial benefits which the officer on leave would not have received had the officer remained at work.

## **DIVISION 1**

MATERNITY LEAVE

## §1. General

**76.2.** A pregnant officer is entitled to 20 weeks of maternity leave, which, subject to section 76.7, shall be consecutive.

Maternity leave may be less than 20 weeks. If the officer resumes work within two weeks following childbirth, she shall produce, upon the employer's request, a medical certificate attesting that she has sufficiently recovered to resume work.

**76.3.** The officer shall decide on the division of the maternity leave, that is, before and after childbirth, which shall include the day of delivery.

**76.4.** If the officer becomes pregnant while on leave without pay or on partial leave without pay as provided

for in this Chapter, she is also entitled to maternity leave and to the benefits provided for in sections 76.20, 76.28 or 76.29, whichever applies.

**76.5.** An officer who gives birth to a stillborn child after the beginning of the twentieth week preceding the expected date of delivery is entitled to the maternity leave provided for in this Division.

**76.6.** Should an officer die after giving birth, the remainder of the 20 weeks of maternity leave and the rights and benefits attached thereto may be transferred to her spouse if he is an officer.

**76.7.** An officer may suspend her maternity leave and return to work if she has sufficiently recovered from delivery and the child is unable to leave the health institution. This also applies where the baby is hospitalized within 15 days of its birth. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the leave may be suspended only once and it shall be completed when the child goes home.

When the suspended maternity leave is resumed, the employer shall pay the officer the compensation to which she would have been entitled had she not availed herself of the suspension.

**76.8.** Where the child is born after the due date, the officer is entitled to an extension of her maternity leave equal to the delay, unless she already has at least two weeks of maternity leave remaining after the birth.

The officer may also benefit from an extension of six weeks in maternity leave where her child's health requires it.

During such extensions, the officer shall not receive any compensation or salary.

#### *§2. Granting of leave and expiry date*

**76.9.** To obtain maternity leave, an officer shall give notice in writing to the employer not less than two weeks before the date of departure. The notice shall be accompanied by a medical certificate certifying the pregnancy and the expected date of delivery. The time period for giving notice may be shorter if a medical certificate attests that the officer must leave her position earlier than expected.

In case of unforeseen events, the officer shall be exempt from giving notice, subject to submitting a medical certificate to the employer showing that she must leave her position immediately. **76.10.** An employer shall send an officer, in the fifth week before the expiry of her maternity leave, a notice of the scheduled date of expiry of such leave.

An officer to whom the employer has sent the notice referred to in the first paragraph shall be at work on the date her maternity leave expires, unless it has been extended by means of a leave without pay or a partial leave without pay in accordance with Subdivision 4 of Division 3 of this Chapter.

An officer who does not comply with the second paragraph is deemed to be on leave without pay for a period not exceeding four weeks. At the end of that period, an officer who is not at work is deemed to have resigned.

**76.11.** At the end of her maternity leave, an officer shall resume work in her position with her employer, subject to the provisions respecting employment stability provided for in Chapter 5. Her terms of employment, including her salary, shall be the same as those to which she would have been entitled had she remained at work.

**76.12.** An officer who, for health reasons, is unable to resume work in her position upon the expiry of the period provided for in sections 76.2 or 76.8 shall be considered absent due to illness and the provisions respecting group insurance plans provided for in Chapter 4 shall apply.

## §3. Compensation

**76.13.** Compensation for maternity leave is paid only as a supplement to employment insurance benefits or, in the cases provided for below, as payments during a period of unemployment caused by pregnancy that is not covered by the employment insurance plan.

Compensation for maternity leave shall be based on the salary of an officer including the lump sums paid, if any, pursuant to sections 17, 20 and 21, as well as the last paragraph of section 104, without any additional remuneration.

**76.14.** The total of the amounts received by the officer during her maternity leave in employment insurance benefits, compensation and salary may not exceed 93 % of the salary paid by her employer or employers, as the case may be, in accordance with section 76.30.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, where an officer receives an allowance for regional disparities, she shall continue to receive the allowance during her maternity leave. In such cases, the total amount received by the officer in employment insurance benefits, compensation and allowances may not exceed 95 % of the sum of her salary and the allowance for regional disparities.

**76.15.** The compensation due for the first two weeks of maternity leave shall be paid by the employer within two weeks of the beginning of the leave. The subsequent compensation due shall be paid every two weeks, unless the salary is paid weekly.

**76.16.** Notwithstanding section 76.15, where the officer is eligible for employment insurance, the first compensation payment is due only 15 days after the employer obtains proof that the officer is receiving employment insurance benefits. Such proof may be a statement of benefits or a benefit slip, a payment slip or data processing information provided to the employer by Human Resources Development Canada.

**76.17.** The weekly salary of a part-time officer is the average weekly salary of the last 20 weeks preceding the maternity leave. If, during that period, the officer received benefits representing a percentage of her salary, it is the salary used to calculate the benefits that shall determine the compensation for maternity leave. Those provisions constitute one of the provisions referred to in section 76.1.

**76.18.** Where the last 20 weeks before the maternity leave of a part-time officer include the salary adjustment date, the weekly salary is based on the salary in force on that date. If the salaries were adjusted during the maternity leave, the weekly salary shall be increased on that date in accordance with the applicable adjustment rules.

**76.19.** The employer shall not reimburse an officer for an amount that could be claimed from the officer by Human Resources Development Canada under the Employment Insurance Act (S.C., 1996, c. 23), where the officer's income exceeds one and a quarter times the maximum insurable earnings.

## §4. Eligibility for employment insurance

**76.20.** An officer who has accumulated 20 weeks of service with her employer or with one of the employers referred to in section 76.30, and who is declared eligible following an application for benefits under the employment insurance plan, is entitled to receive during her maternity leave:

(1) for each week of the waiting period required under the employment insurance plan, compensation equal to 93 % of her weekly salary, given that, in such situation, she is exempt from contributions to the retirement and employment insurance plans, which corresponds to an average of 7 % of her salary;

(2) for each week in which she receives employment insurance benefits, supplementary compensation equal to the difference between 93 % of her weekly salary and the employment insurance benefit she receives; and

(3) for each week following the period mentioned in paragraph 2, compensation equal to 93 % of her weekly salary until the end of the twentieth week of maternity leave.

**76.21.** Calculation of the supplementary compensation provided for in paragraph 2 of section 76.20 is based on the employment insurance benefits to which an officer is entitled, excluding the amounts subtracted from such benefits for repayment of benefits, interest, penalties and other amounts recoverable under the employment insurance plan.

**76.22.** An officer who works for more than one employer, among those specified in section 76.30, shall receive supplementary compensation from each of her employers. In such case, the supplementary compensation is equal to the difference between 93 % of the salary paid by the employer and the percentage of the employment insurance benefit which corresponds to a proportion of the weekly salary paid by all the employers. For that purpose, the officer shall give each of her employers a statement of the weekly salary paid by each employer, along with the amount of the benefits paid to her by Human Resources Development Canada.

**76.23.** Where Human Resources Development Canada reduces the number of weeks of employment insurance benefits to which the officer would otherwise be entitled had she not received employment insurance benefits before her maternity leave, the officer shall continue to receive, for a period equal to the weeks subtracted, the supplementary compensation prescribed in paragraph 2 of section 76.20 as though she had received employment insurance benefits during that period.

**76.24.** The maternity leave allowance paid by the Gouvernement du Québec under the maternity allowance program is subtracted from the compensation determined in section 76.20. Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the provisions of section 76.22 apply, the amount to be subtracted is based on the stated terms and conditions of partition for subtraction purposes.

**76.25.** For the purposes of section 76.20, an officer who is absent accumulates hours of service if the absence is authorized, namely due to disability, and includes a benefit or remuneration.

**76.26.** The employer may not use maternity leave compensation to make up for the reduction in employment insurance benefits attributable to the earnings with another employer.

Notwithstanding the first paragraph, the employer shall pay compensation where the officer shows that the salary earned with an employer is a regular salary, by means of a letter from that employer. If the officer shows that only a portion of the salary is regular, compensation shall be limited to that portion. The employer must then provide the letter upon request from the officer.

#### *§5.* Ineligibility for employment insurance

**76.27.** An officer excluded from employment insurance benefits or declared ineligible shall not be entitled to compensation, subject to the provisions of this subdivision.

**76.28.** A full-time officer who has accumulated 20 weeks of service with her employer or with one of the employers referred to in section 76.30 is entitled to compensation equal to 93 % of her weekly salary for ten weeks if she is not eligible for employment insurance benefits because she has not held insurable employment for at least 700 hours during the period of reference prescribed by the employment insurance plan.

**76.29.** A part-time officer who has accumulated 20 weeks of service with her employer or with one of the employers referred to in section 76.30 is entitled to compensation equal to 95 % of her weekly salary for ten weeks. If she is exempt from pension plan and employment insurance contributions, the compensation rate is 93 %.

To obtain compensation, a part-time officer must be ineligible for employment insurance benefits either because:

(1) she has not contributed to the employment insurance plan; or

(2) she has contributed to the employment insurance plan, but did not have 700 hours of insurable employment during the period of reference.

## §6. Other benefits

**76.30.** An officer's continuous service shall include all service for any employer of the public or parapublic sector, any body whose employees are subject under an Act to conditions of employment, standards and scales of remuneration determined or approved by the Govern-

ment, and any body listed in Schedule C to the Act respecting the process of negotiation of the collective agreements in the public and parapublic sectors (R.S.Q., c. R-8.2).

**76.31.** During the maternity leave and extensions provided for in section 76.7, the officer shall continue to receive the following benefits where she is entitled thereto:

- accumulation of vacation days;

- accumulation of continuous service;

— any salary increase due to the adjustment of salary classes;

- any salary increase for satisfactory performance;

— maintenance of group insurance plans.

**76.32.** During her maternity leave, an officer shall continue to participate in the mandatory group insurance plans provided for in section 51, but the employer shall make a payment equal to both his contribution and the officer's contribution to the plans. Furthermore, the officer shall be exempt from contributing to the optional insurance plans in accordance with the provisions of the master policy.

**76.33.** No compensation may be paid during vacation leave for which an officer receives remuneration. Notwithstanding the foregoing, an officer may defer vacation leave that falls within the maternity leave, provided that at least two weeks before the expiry of the leave, she informs her employer in writing of the date of deferral.

**76.34.** While on maternity leave, an officer shall retain the employment relationship with the employer. Her contract must be renewed. She may not be dismissed, except for gross negligence. Her employment may not be terminated.

## **DIVISION 2**

#### PREGNANCY AND BREAST-FEEDING LEAVE

#### §1. Temporary assignments

**76.35.** Where the conditions of employment involve risks of infectious diseases or physical danger for her or her unborn child or are dangerous for the child she is breast-feeding, an officer may request to be assigned temporarily to another position or to other tasks corresponding to her training and experience. She shall submit proof by means of a medical certificate as soon as possible.

**76.36.** An officer assigned to another position or task pursuant to section 76.35, shall retain the rights, fringe

benefits and financial benefits related to her regular position. If the reassignment is not carried out immediately by the employer, the officer is entitled to special leave beginning immediately. Unless she is temporarily reassigned, special leave is terminated on the date of delivery or at the end of the breast-feeding period.

**76.37.** During the special leave described in section 76.36, the officer is governed, in respect of compensation, by the Act respecting occupational health and safety (R.S.Q., c. S-2.1) respecting re-assignment of a pregnant worker or a worker who is breast-feeding.

Following a written request however, the employer shall pay to the officer an advance on the compensation receivable from the Commission de la santé et de la sécurité du travail on the basis of anticipated payments. If the Commission pays the compensation, repayment of the advance is deducted therefrom. Otherwise, repayment is at the rate of 10 % of the amount disbursed per pay period, until the debt is fully paid.

#### §2. Special leave

**76.38.** A pregnant officer is also entitled to special leave in the following cases:

(1) where a pregnancy complication or a risk of miscarriage requires stopping work for a period the duration of which is prescribed by a medical certificate. The special leave may not be extended beyond the beginning of the eighth week before the expected date of delivery;

(2) in the case of a spontaneous or induced abortion that occurs before the beginning of the twentieth week preceding the expected date of delivery. The duration of the special leave shall be certified by a medical certificate;

(3) for consultations with a health professional with respect to the pregnancy, certified by a medical certificate, or with a midwife. The special leave shall be remunerated and may be taken in half-days up to a maximum of four days. It must be exhausted before the officer is entitled to short-term basic salary insurance.

**76.39.** During the special leave granted under this subdivision, an officer may avail herself of the benefits of the group insurance plans provided for in Chapter 4. She may also avail herself of the benefits provided for in sections 76.11, 76.31, 76.32 and 76.34.

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**76.40.** While on a parental leave referred to in this Division, an officer shall retain the employment relationship with the employer. The contract must be renewed. The officer may not be dismissed, except for gross negligence. The employment may not be terminated

**76.41.** Any leave contemplated in this Division, except that provided for in section 76.45, shall be granted after a written application is submitted to the employer not less than two weeks in advance.

Partial leave without pay may be granted after a written application is submitted not less than 30 days in advance. In the case of leave without pay or partial leave without pay, the application shall state the date of return to work.

The employer shall reply in writing to an application for leave under this section.

**76.42.** An officer who wishes to prematurely terminate a leave without pay or partial leave without pay provided for in subdivisions 3 and 4 of this Division shall notify his employer in writing to that effect at least three weeks before returning to work.

**76.43.** An employer shall send an officer, four weeks in advance, a notice of the date of expiry of his leave without pay. The officer must then give notice of his return to work at least two weeks before the expiry of the leave. If he fails to do so, he is deemed to have resigned.

For partial leave without pay, an officer shall send his employer a notice in writing at least 30 days before his effective return to work.

**76.44.** Upon the expiry of any leave referred to in this Division, an officer shall resume his position with his employer, subject to the provisions respecting employment stability provided for in Chapter 5. His terms of employment, including the salary, shall be the same as those to which he would have been entitled had he remained at work.

## §2. Paternity leave

**76.45.** Upon the birth of his child, an officer is entitled to a paid paternity leave not exceeding five working days. The leave may be interrupted but shall be

taken between the date of delivery and the fifteenth day following the date of the mother's or the child's return home. One of those five days may be taken for the child's baptism or registration.

# *§3.* Adoption leave and leave without pay for adoption purposes

**76.46.** An officer who legally adopts a child other than the child of the officer's spouse is entitled to a leave with pay not exceeding ten consecutive weeks, provided that the officer's spouse, if employed in a public or parapublic sector, does not benefit from the same leave. The leave shall be taken after the issue of the placement order, or an equivalent order, in the case of an international adoption, in accordance with the adoption plan, or at another time agreed upon with the employer.

**76.47.** An officer who legally adopts a child and who does not benefit from paid leave as provided for in section 76.46 is entitled to a leave not exceeding five working days, the first two of which are with pay.

The leave may be discontinuous and may not be taken after the fifteenth day following the child's arrival in the father's or mother's home.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, where an officer adopts his spouse's child, the officer is entitled to a leave without pay not exceeding two working days.

**76.48.** For each week of leave provided for under section 76.46, the officer shall receive a compensation equal to his weekly salary, paid at two-week intervals, or at weekly intervals, if the salary is paid weekly. The officer is also entitled to all the allowances for regional disparities during the adoption leave.

The weekly salary of a part-time officer is determined in accordance with the provisions of sections 76.17 and 76.18.

**76.49.** An officer shall receive, for adopting a child, a leave without pay not exceeding ten weeks from the date of the actual taking charge of the child, unless it is the child of the officer's spouse. If the adoption does take place, the officer may convert the leave without pay into leave with pay, if the leave with pay provided for in section 76.46 has not been taken.

**76.50.** An officer who travels outside Québec for adoption purposes, except in the case of the child of the officer's spouse, shall be granted leave without pay for the time required for the trip, upon applying in writing to the employer, if possible two weeks in advance. If the

officer does take charge of the child, the maximum duration of the leave without pay shall be ten weeks, in accordance with section 76.49.

**76.51.** The adoption leave with pay provided for in section 76.46 takes effect on the date of the beginning of the leave without pay for adoption purposes, if the duration of such leave is ten weeks, and if the officer so decides after the placement is ordered or, in the case of an international adoption, an equivalent order is issued.

During the leave without pay for adoption purposes, the officer is entitled to the same benefits as those attached to leave without pay and partial leave without pay provided for in this Chapter.

Where the adoption leave takes effect on the date of the beginning of leave without pay, the officer is entitled to the benefits prescribed for adoption leave only.

**76.52.** An employer shall send to an officer, during the fourth week preceding the date of expiry of the tenweek adoption leave, a notice indicating the scheduled date of expiry of the leave.

An officer to whom the employer has sent such a notice shall be at work on the date of expiry of adoption leave, unless it has been extended as prescribed in section 76.54.

An officer who does not comply with the second paragraph is deemed to be on leave without pay for a period not exceeding four weeks. At the end of that period, an officer who is not at work is deemed to have resigned.

**76.53.** An officer who takes the adoption leave provided for in section 76.46 shall avail himself of the benefits prescribed in sections 76.11, 76.31, 76.32 and 76.34.

#### *§4. Parental leave and partial leave without pay*

**76.54.** An officer wishing to extend the maternity leave, paternity leave or adoption leave or leave for adoption purposes may, on agreement with the employer, benefit from a leave without pay or partial leave without pay for a period not exceeding two years. Such leave is restricted to only one spouse, where both spouses work in the public or parapublic sectors, as determined in section 76.30.

**76.55.** An officer on leave without pay or on partial leave without pay is entitled, on agreement with the employer, to avail himself once of

(1) changing the leave without pay into a partial leave without pay or vice versa; or

(2) changing the partial leave without pay into a different leave without pay.

**76.56** An officer who does not take a leave without pay or partial leave without pay may, for the part of the leave that his spouse did not use, elect to benefit from the leave without pay or partial leave without pay.

**76.57.** An officer may, on agreement with the employer, avail himself of any leave provided for in section 76.54 if his spouse is not employed in the public or parapublic sector, as determined in section 76.30. The officer decides of the time at which he takes the leave, within two years following the birth or adoption without exceeding the time limit of two years after the birth or adoption.

**76.58** An officer who does not avail himself of a leave provided for in section 76.54 shall benefit from a leave without pay of no more than 52 continuous weeks beginning at the time decided by the officer and ending at the latest 70 weeks after the birth or, in the case of adoption of a child other than the child of his spouse, 70 weeks after the child is placed with the officer.

**76.59.** During the leave without pay or partial leave without pay, an officer's continuous service is not interrupted. He may continue to participate in the group insurance plans in accordance with the provisions of section 33. The terms and conditions of application of the officer's retirement plans apply as prescribed.

With respect to the other terms of employment, an officer who benefits from partial leave without pay shall be governed, during his time at work, by the rules applicable to a part-time officer.

**76.60.** An officer may take any deferred annual vacation immediately before leave without pay or partial leave without pay, provided that there is no interruption in maternity leave, paternity leave or adoption leave, as the case may be.

For the purposes of this section, statutory or mobile holidays accumulated since the beginning of the maternity leave, paternity leave or adoption leave are treated as deferred annual vacation.

#### **§5.** Leave for parental responsibilities

**76.61.** Leave without pay or partial leave without pay of a maximum duration of one year shall be granted to an officer whose minor child is sick or handicapped or has social or emotional problems and requires the

officer's presence. During the leave, the officer may continue to participate in the group insurance plans according to the provisions provided for in Chapter 4.

An officer may be absent without pay for five days a year, without pay, to fulfil obligations relating to the care, health or education of his minor child in cases where his presence is required due to unforeseeable circumstances or circumstances beyond his control. He must have taken all reasonable steps within his power to assume these obligations otherwise and to limit the duration of the leave. The leave may be divided into days. A day may also be divided if the employer consents thereto. The officer must advise his employer of his absence as soon as possible.

## **CHAPTER 4.2** DEFERRED SALARY LEAVE PLAN

## **DIVISION 1**

GENERAL

## §1. Main characteristics

**76.62.** The deferred or anticipated salary leave plan enables an officer to apportion his salary so as to benefit from remuneration during a period of leave. The plan is not intended to enable an officer to defer income tax or to receive benefits at retirement.

For the duration of his participation in the plan, an officer shall receive no other salary corresponding to the percentage of his salary as determined in Division 2 of this Chapter from his employer, an employer in the public or parapublic sector, another person or company with whom the employer has ties.

**76.63.** The plan comprises a period of work and a period of leave. The leave with deferred salary is one in which the period of leave follows the entire period of work. The leave with anticipated salary is one in which the period of leave precedes entirely or in part the period of work.

**76.64.** The duration of participation in the plan may be two, three, four or five years. The scheduled duration of participation may however be extended in accordance with the provisions of sections 76.78, 76.81 and 76.82. It may in no case exceed seven years.

## §2. Period of leave

**76.65.** The duration of the period of leave may be six months to one year.

Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, the period of leave must be taken in whole and consecutive months and may not be interrupted under any circumstances.

The period of leave must begin no later than upon the expiry of a maximum period of six years from the date on which the amounts began to be deferred.

During the period of leave, subject to the provisions of this Chapter, an officer shall be deemed to be on leave without pay.

## §3. Period of work

**76.66.** Subject to the provisions of this Chapter, during the period of work, the officer's availability and work load shall be the same as those he would assume if he were not participating in the plan; furthermore, he is entitled to the same benefits under this Regulation as those to which he would be entitled if he were not participating in the plan.

## §4. Eligibility

**76.67.** To be eligible for the plan, an officer must hold a position and have completed two years of service with his employer.

An officer shall file a written application for participation in the plan with his employer who shall decide on the granting of the deferred or anticipated salary leave plan. The written application shall indicate the beginning and the end of the duration of participation in the plan, as well as the duration of the period of leave.

**76.68.** A part-time officer shall be eligible on the same conditions as the full-time officer but he may use his period of leave only in the last year of participation in the plan.

The salary he receives during his period of leave shall be based on the average number of hours paid during the period of work preceding the leave.

The compensatory sums provided for the part-time officer's vacation and statutory holidays shall be calculated and paid on the basis of the percentage of the salary determined in accordance with section 76.71.

**76.69.** An officer whose status changes from fulltime to part-time during his period of work may elect to:

(1) continue to participate in the plan according to section 76.68; or

(2) withdraw from his agreement on the conditions determined in section 76.88.

A full-time officer who becomes a part-time officer after his period of leave is deemed to remain a full-time officer for the purposes of calculating the percentage of his salary during the period of work following the period of leave.

#### §5. Agreement

**76.70.** If the employer is willing to grant the deferred or anticipated salary leave, an officer shall undertake by agreement to comply with the terms and conditions of the plan, in particular,

- (1) the duration of participation in the plan;
- (2) the duration of the leave;
- (3) the period when the leave will be used; and

(4) the period when the officer resumes his position with his employer after the period of leave for a period at least equal to that of the leave. The employer shall then reinstate the officer in his position, subject to the provisions respecting employment stability provided for in Chapter 5. The terms of employment shall be the same as those to which he would have been entitled had he remained at work.

The agreement shall include the provisions of the plan and the officer shall not be on disability leave, parental leave or leave without pay at the time of the signing.

#### **DIVISION 2**

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF APPLICATION

#### §1. Remuneration

**76.71.** For each year of participation in the plan, an officer shall receive the percentage of his salary provided for in the following table, based on the duration of participation in the plan and the duration of the period of leave:

Duration of participation in the plan						
Period	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years		
of leave	Percentage of the salary					
6 months	75.00 %	83.33 %	87.50 %	90.00 %		
7 months	70.83 %	80.56 %	85.42 %	88.33 %		
8 months	66.67 %	77.78 %	83.33 %	86.67 %		
9 months	_	75.00 %	81.25 %	85.00 %		
10 months	_	72.22 %	79.17 %	83.33 %		
11 months	_	69.44 %	77.08 %	81.67 %		
12 months	—	66.67 %	75.00 %	80.00 %		

**76.72.** The salary on which the percentage is calculated is the one an officer would receive if he did not participate in the plan. The salary includes the increase due to the adjustment of salary classes and the increase for satisfactory performance as provided for in Chapter 3.

It includes the lump sum related to a change of position leading to a salary decrease pursuant to sections 17, 20 and 21, as well as the last paragraph of section 104.

It does not include the additional remuneration for plurality of positions or interim or the compensation and allowances provided for in Divisions 5, 6 and 7 of Chapter 3 as stipulated in the first paragraph.

**76.73.** During the period of leave, an officer is not entitled to any compensation or allowance provided for in Division 8 of Chapter 3. During the period of work, he is entitled to all compensation and allowances.

During his participation in the plan, the officer is entitled to the increase for satisfactory performance as prescribed in section 14.

#### *§2.* Social security plans

**76.74.** During the period of leave, the employer shall continue to contribute to the Québec Pension Plan, the Québec Health Insurance Plan and the occupational health and safety plan. The contribution of the employer and the officer to employment insurance does not apply during the period of leave. The participation of the officer in the group insurance plans shall be established in accordance with Division 2 of Chapter 4.

**76.75.** For calculating a pension for the purposes of a retirement plan, the Act respecting the Government and Public Employees Retirement Plan (R.S.Q., c. R-10) recognizes one year of service for each year of participation in the deferred or anticipated salary leave plan, as well as an average salary based on the salary he would have received had he not participated in the plan.

**76.76.** An officer's contribution to a retirement plan during the years of participation in the plan shall be established by the Regulation respecting certain temporary measures prescribed by Title IV of the Act respecting the Government and Public Employees Retirement Plan (R.S.Q., c. R-10).

#### *§3.* Vacation and miscellaneous leave

**76.77.** During his participation in the plan, an officer shall accumulate continuous service for annual vacation purposes. During the period of leave, he is deemed to have taken the vacation days to which he is entitled for that period. During the period of work, annual vacation shall be remunerated in accordance with the percentage of his salary as determined in section 76.71.

**76.78.** During his participation in the plan, an officer who benefits from leave without pay shall extend the duration of his participation in the plan for a period equivalent to that of the leave without pay without exceeding one year. Leave without pay of more than one year is equivalent to abandoning the plan and the provisions of section 76.88 shall then apply.

**76.79.** The amount the employer shall collect during the extension of an officer's participation in the plan as a result of taking partial leave without pay, is equal to the employer's lost income following the partial leave without pay.

**76.80.** During his participation in the plan, an officer's leave with pay shall be remunerated in accordance with the percentage of his salary as determined in section 76.71.

Leave with pay that falls within the period of leave is deemed to have been taken.

#### §4. Maternity leave

**76.81.** An officer's participation in the plan shall be suspended for the duration of the maternity leave that occurs during the period of work. The plan shall then be extended for a period equal to the maternity leave.

Where the maternity leave occurs during the period of leave, it is presumed not to have occurred. Notwithstanding the foregoing, it shall be considered to have begun on the scheduled date of an officer's return to work on condition that the provisions of Chapter 4.1 respecting maternity leave are complied with.

Where the maternity leave occurs before the period of leave, an officer may terminate participation in the plan. In such a case, the salary that was not paid for the period of work elapsed shall be reimbursed, in addition to any compensation and, where applicable, the employment insurance benefits provided for the maternity leave, but without interest. The amounts so reimbursed shall be subject to the contribution to the retirement plan.

Subject to sections 76.78 and 76.79, the maternity leave may be extended by a leave without pay or partial leave without pay without affecting the officer's participation in the plan. Notwithstanding the foregoing, for any of the leaves, the duration of participation in the plan shall be extended accordingly, except if the period of leave has begun.

#### §5. Disability

**76.82.** For the purposes of the short-term salary insurance plan, the following provisions apply:

(1) where the officer becomes disabled during the period of leave, the period of leave shall continue in accordance with section 76.65 and the officer may not benefit from the provisions of the short-term salary insurance plan determined in Division 5 of Chapter 4.

On the scheduled date of return to work, if the officer is still disabled, the disability is then presumed to begin on that date and the officer shall benefit from the shortterm salary insurance plan based on the percentage of salary determined in section 76.71 for the remainder of his participation in the plan;

(2) where the officer becomes disabled during the duration of his participation in the plan but before having used his period of leave and the disability persists until the date on which the period of leave was scheduled, he may elect to:

(a) maintain his participation in the plan and defer the period of leave to a time when he is not disabled. During that time, the officer shall benefit from the shortterm salary insurance plan based on the percentage of salary determined in section 76.71 for the remainder of his participation in the plan.

If the disability persists during the last year of the officer's participation in the plan, the plan may then be suspended from the scheduled beginning of the period of leave until the end of the disability. During that time, the officer shall benefit from the short-term salary insurance plan and the period of leave shall begin on the day on which the disability ceases; or

(b) cancel his participation in the plan and the employer shall reimburse him the part of the salary he did not receive for the period of work elapsed, but without interest. The provisions of paragraph 4 of section 76.88 shall apply; (3) where the officer becomes disabled during his participation in the plan but after having used his period of leave, he shall benefit from the short-term salary insurance plan based on the percentage of salary determined in section 76.71. Upon the expiry of his participation in the plan, the officer shall receive salary insurance based on the salary determined in accordance with the provisions of Division 5 of Chapter 4.

**76.83.** Where the disability persists after 104 weeks, an officer shall benefit from the mandatory basic long-term salary insurance plan, his participation in the plan ends and the following provisions apply:

(1) where the officer has already used his period of leave, he is not required to reimburse the salary he was overpaid; one year of service for retirement plan purposes shall be recognized for each year of participation in the plan;

(2) where the officer has not used his period of leave, he shall receive the portion of salary he has not received for the period of work elapsed, but without interest. The provisions of paragraph 4 of section 76.88 shall apply.

**76.84.** A part-time officer may avail himself of the provisions of paragraph 2 of section 76.82. Notwith-standing the foregoing, he shall receive, as of the second week of disability, full salary insurance as long as he is eligible due to his disability, in accordance with Division 5 of Chapter 4.

## §6. Mobility

**76.85.** In cases where the officer changes positions pursuant to Subdivision 3 of Division 4 of Chapter 3, with the same employer, the officer's participation in the plan shall be maintained unless the employer cannot maintain the agreement. In the latter case, the provisions of section 76.88 shall apply with the exception that the officer does not reimburse the salary he was overpaid when his period of leave was used.

Where an officer takes a position with another employer of the public or parapublic sector who offers a comparable plan during the officer's participation in the plan, the conditions for maintaining the agreement remain at the discretion of the new employer. If the latter refuses to maintain the agreement, the provisions of section 76.88 shall apply and the reimbursement, where applicable, shall be made in accordance with section 76.91.

## §7. Employment stability

**76.86.** Following the elimination of his position, an officer who chooses reinstatement within the sector in

accordance with Division 4 of Chapter 5, shall maintain his participation in the plan until the effective date of his reinstatement or until he elects to change.

If the participation in the plan of the reinstated officer is not ended with his original employer, he may complete it by means of an agreement with his new employer. Failing such agreement, his participation in the plan shall end and sections 76.88 and 76.91 shall apply.

At the time of a change made pursuant to section 102, where the officer elects to leave the sector, the agreement shall end and section 76.88 shall apply.

**76.87.** Following the elimination of his position, where the officer elects to leave the sector in accordance with Division 6 of Chapter 5, the agreement relating to his participation in the plan shall end and section 76.88 shall apply. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no reimbursement shall be required of him.

#### DIVISION 3 END OF PARTICIPATION

## *§1. Resignation, retirement, withdrawal and other departures*

**76.88.** Following an officer's resignation, pre-retirement or retirement, withdrawal from the plan in accordance with the provisions of this Chapter or the expiry of the seven-year time limit in accordance with section 76.64, participation in the plan shall end immediately and the following terms and conditions shall apply:

(1) where an officer has already taken the period of leave, he shall reimburse, without interest, the amounts he received during the period less the amounts already deducted from his salary during the period of work;

(2) where an officer has not yet taken the period of leave, the employer shall reimburse him, without interest, for the difference between the salary he would have received had he not participated in the plan and the salary he actually received since the beginning of his participation in the plan;

(3) during the period of leave, the reimbursement by an officer or the employer shall consist of the difference between the amounts received by the officer during that period of leave and the total amounts already deducted from the salary he received during the period of work. Where the difference is a negative amount, the employer shall reimburse the officer for it, without interest. Where the difference is a positive amount, the officer shall reimburse the employer for that amount, without interest; (4) for the purpose of retirement plans, the recognized rights are the rights that would have applied had the officer never participated in the plan. Where the period of leave has been taken, the contributions made during that period shall be used to compensate for the contributions that were not made to compensate for any lost pension; an officer may, however, redeem lost years of service under the same conditions as those for leave without pay, in accordance with the provisions of the applicable retirement plan. In addition, where the period of leave has not been taken, the contributions are usually insufficient to have the total number of years worked recognized. They shall be subtracted from the reimbursement owed to the officer.

## *§2. Dismissal, non-renewal or termination of engagement*

**76.89.** Upon the officer's dismissal, or the non-renewal or termination of the officer's engagement, the agreement respecting his participation in the plan is terminated on the date one of the measures takes effect. Section 76.88 then applies.

#### §3. Death

**76.90.** The agreement respecting an officer's participation in the plan is terminated on the date of his death. The measures provided for in section 76.88 then apply, with the exception that no reimbursement of overpaid salary shall be required. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any part of the salary that was not paid shall be reimbursed to the officer's successor.

#### §4. Reimbursements

**76.91.** Where an officer must reimburse amounts with respect to agreement termination measures respecting his participation in the plan, he shall carry out the reimbursement as of the termination of the plan and according to the terms and conditions of the agreement entered into by him and his employer.

Pursuant to the second paragraph of section 76.85 and the third paragraph of section 76.86, the employer with whom an officer is reinstated shall collect the amount to be reimbursed and periodically remit it to the original employer for the purposes of the plan.

**76.92.** Where an officer does not use his period of leave during his participation in the plan, the employer shall pay him the total amount of salary that was deferred, beginning in the first taxation year following the end of his participation in the plan.

## CHAPTER 4.3 PROGRESSIVE PRE-RETIREMENT

#### DIVISION 1 GENERAL

#### §1. Main characteristics

**76.93.** Progressive pre-retirement enables an officer to reduce his working hours, for a period of one to five years immediately preceding his retirement. The number of working hours in each calendar year or part thereof during which the progressive pre-retirement applies is not less than 40 % or more than 80 % of the hours worked by a full-time officer.

For the purposes of this Chapter, a "part of a calendar year" means the portion of a calendar year in which a progressive pre-retirement begins or ends.

#### *§2. Eligibility*

**76.94.** To participate in the progressive pre-retirement plan, an officer shall file a written application therefor with his employer. To grant it, the latter shall take into account the needs of the organization. Furthermore, an officer shall meet the following conditions:

(1) he participates in a retirement plan;

(2) he holds a regular officer's position for more than 40 % of full-time employment;

(3) he holds and sends his employer, at the same time he files his application, an attestation from the Commission administrative des régimes de retraite et d'assurances (CARRA) to the effect that he will be entitled to a retirement pension on the date scheduled for the end of the agreement concluded in accordance with section 76.95;

(4) he has concluded an agreement with his employer in accordance with Subdivision 3 of this Division;

(5) he has not already benefited from a progressive pre-retirement plan; and

(6) at the time of the signing of the agreement, he is not governed by the employment stability measures provided for in Chapter 5.

#### §3. Agreement

**76.95.** The written agreement concluded between the officer and the employer shall comply with the provisions of this Chapter and contain the following information:

(1) the duration of the progressive pre-retirement;

(2) the proportion of time worked for each calendar year or part thereof during which the progressive preretirement applies in accordance with the first paragraph of section 76.93;

(3) the work schedule;

(4) an undertaking by the officer to retire upon completion of the progressive pre-retirement, subject to Division 3 of this Chapter.

**76.96.** During progressive pre-retirement, the officer and the employer may agree in writing to amend the agreement concluded under the provisions of this subdivision, provided that the amendments comply at all times with the other terms and conditions of application of the plan.

The amendments may concern the duration of the agreement, the percentage of the time worked for each of the years or parts thereof covered by the progressive pre-retirement or the work schedule. Any amendment to the dates of the beginning or end of the agreement must be agreed to beforehand by the CARRA.

**76.97.** Where the years of service or parts thereof credited to the officer at the end of the agreement are less than those estimated by the CARRA, the agreement shall be extended to the date on which those years or parts of years correspond to the estimate made by the CARRA.

Where the officer is not entitled to his pension at the end of the agreement, the agreement shall be extended to the date on which the officer is entitled to it.

#### DIVISION 2 TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF APPLICATION

## §1. Salary and other benefits

**76.98.** The salary of an officer in progressive preretirement shall be paid for the entire calendar year or part thereof in proportion to the time worked as provided for each of the years or parts thereof covered by the agreement.

**76.99.** During the period of progressive pre-retirement, an officer accumulates continuous service as though he had not availed himself of progressive pre-retirement.

**76.100.** Where an employer eliminates the position of an officer in progressive pre-retirement, the agree-

ment shall continue to apply. The officer shall retain the status of officer for the duration of the agreement, and the employment stability measures provided for in Chapter 5 shall not apply. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the employer shall establish, with the officer, a plan of utilization based on the time worked as provided for in the agreement.

**76.101.** Subject to the provisions of this Chapter, an officer in progressive pre-retirement shall benefit from the terms of employment provided for in this Regulation, which apply in proportion to the time worked as provided for in the agreement.

#### §2. Sick-leave fund

**76.102.** An officer benefiting from progressive preretirement may agree with his employer to use his sickleave fund to dispense himself from all or part of the working time provided for in the agreement. Each sickleave day thus used is equal to one day worked, in accordance with paragraph 3 of section 75. The terms and conditions of such use must be provided for in the agreement concluded under section 76.95.

The remainder of the sick-leave fund has a monetary value and is payable in accordance with paragraph 4 of section 75.

#### *§3. Group insurance plans*

**76.103.** An officer is entitled, for the duration of the agreement, to the coverage of his group insurance plans provided for in section 51 on the basis of the time worked before the beginning of the agreement.

A disabled officer who benefits from the short-term salary insurance plan shall receive a benefit on the basis of the time worked as prescribed for each of the calendar years or parts thereof contemplated by the agreement but reduced, where applicable, by the sick-leave days to be used in accordance with section 76.102. The benefit shall be paid for the duration of the disability, but does not extend beyond the date of expiry of the agreement.

During the period of disability, an officer may use, in whole or in part, his sick-leave fund to make up the difference between his short-term salary insurance benefit and his net salary, in accordance with paragraph 2 of section 75.

**76.104.** During an officer's progressive pre-retirement, the contribution of the employer and that of the officer to the group insurance plans shall be maintained based on the time worked by the officer before the agreement comes into effect. The same rule applies to

health and accident insurance plans, but based on an officer's normal full-time schedule.

Where the duration of the agreement extends beyond 104 weeks, the contribution of the employer and that of the officer to the mandatory long-term salary insurance plans shall be maintained, subject to the provisions of the master policy.

#### §4. Retirement plan

**76.105.** During an officer's progressive pre-retirement, the pensionable salary for the years or parts thereof covered by the agreement for the purposes of the retirement plan is the salary that the officer would have received had he not availed himself of progressive pre-retirement or would have been entitled to receive for a period in which he receives salary insurance benefits. The service credited is the service that would have been credited to him had he not availed himself of progressive presive pre-retirement.

**76.106.** During the progressive pre-retirement, an officer shall pay contributions to his retirement plan that are equal to the contributions that he would have made had he not availed himself of progressive pre-retirement.

If the officer receives short-term salary insurance benefits, a disabled officer's exemption from making contributions to the retirement plan is the exemption to which he would have been entitled had he not availed himself of progressive pre-retirement. Such exemption shall not exceed the end date of the agreement.

If the officer receives long-term salary insurance benefits, the insurer shall make the contributions to the retirement plan that would have been made by the officer had he not availed himself of progressive preretirement until the end of the agreement.

## DIVISION 3

END OF THE AGREEMENT

**76.107.** The agreement ends if an officer holds a new position with another employer of the public or parapublic sector, unless the new employer agrees to continue the agreement and the CARRA approves such continuation.

**76.108.** Where the agreement becomes null or is terminated pursuant to section 76.107 or because of circumstances provided for in the regulations made under the Act respecting the Government and Public Employees Retirement Plan, the Act respecting the Teachers Pension Plan, the Act respecting the Civil Service Superannuation Plan, the pensionable salary, the service

credited and the contributions to the retirement plan shall be determined, for each of the circumstances, in the manner prescribed by those regulations as they read on the date on which they are applied.".

## **8.** This Regulation replaces

(1) Chapters 5 and 6 of the Regulation respecting certain conditions of employment of officers of regional councils and of health and social services establishments, made by Order in Council 988-91 dated 10 July 1991, except where they govern the territory of the Cree Board of Health and Social Services of James Bay;

(2) the Regulation respecting group insurance plans and the terms and conditions of application of the deferred salary leave plan applicable to the management personnel of regional boards and of health and social services institutions made by Order in Council 428-94 dated 23 March 1994; and

(3) the Regulation respecting the progressive retirement plan and the management policy applicable to the management personnel of regional boards and of health and social services institutions made by Order in Council 1005-95 dated 19 July 1995.

**9.** This Regulation comes into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* except for section 4 that has effect from 1 May 1999.

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