WHEREAS, under Order in Council 1355-2002 dated 20 November 2002, sections 12 and 47 of the Act came into force on 1 December 2002 and section 5 of the Act came into force on 1 January 2003;

WHEREAS it is expedient to fix 1 March 2003 as the date of coming into force of paragraphs 1 and 3 of section 10 of the Act;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, upon the recommendation of the Minister of State for Health and Social Services and Minister of Health and Social Services:

THAT paragraphs 1 and 3 of section 10 of the Act to amend the Act respecting prescription drug insurance and other legislative provisions (2002, c. 27) come into force on 1 March 2003.

JEAN ST-GELAIS, Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

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## **O.C. 242-2003,** 26 February 2003

## Public Health Act (R.S.Q., c. S-2.2) — Coming into force of certain provisions

COMING INTO FORCE of certain provisions of the Public Health Act (R.S.Q., c. S-2.2)

WHEREAS the Public Health Act (2001, c. 60) was assented to on 20 December 2001;

WHEREAS, under section 177 of the Act, the provisions of the Public Health Act came into force on 19 April 2002, except

(1) Chapters XI and XII, except section 97, and sections 139 to 142, 149 and 166, which came into force on 20 December 2001;

(2) section 54, which came into force on 18 June 2002;

(3) section 146, paragraphs 3 and 4 of section 371 of the Act respecting health services and social services (R.S.Q., c. S-4.2), enacted by section 163, and section 164 which come into force on the date fixed by the Government; and

(4) sections 7 to 17, 19 to 32, 61 to 68, and the words "as provided in the national public health program" in section 18, which come into force on the date or dates to be fixed by the Government;

WHEREAS it is expedient to fix 26 February 2003 as the date of coming into force of sections 7 to 17, 19 to 32, of the words "as provided in the national public health program" in section 18, section 146, paragraphs 3 and 4 of section 371 of the Act respecting health services and social services enacted by section 163 and section 164 of the Public Health Act (R.S.Q., c. S-2.2);

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, upon the recommendation of the Minister of State for Health and Social Services and Minister of Health and Social Services:

THAT 26 February 2003 be fixed as the date of coming into force of sections 7 to 17, 19 to 32, of the words "as provided in the national public health program" in section 18, section 146, paragraphs 3 and 4 of section 371 of the Act respecting health services and social services (R.S.Q., c. S-4.2) enacted by section 163 and section 164 of the Public Health Act.

JEAN ST-GELAIS, Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

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## **O.C. 312-2003,** 26 February 2003

## An Act to combat poverty and social exclusion (2002, c. 61)

- Coming into force of the provisions

COMING INTO FORCE of the provisions of the Act to combat poverty and social exclusion

WHEREAS the Act to combat poverty and social exclusion (2002, c. 61) was assented to on 18 December 2002;

WHEREAS, under section 70 of the Act, the provisions of the Act come into force on the date or dates to be fixed by the Government;

WHEREAS it is expedient to fix 5 March 2003 as the date of coming into force of the provisions of the Act to combat poverty and social exclusion (2002, c. 61), except the second sentence of the second paragraph and the