- adding a structure to a partial prosthesis;

— repair;

— one relining per 5-year period or 3 months after obtaining the prosthesis.".

3. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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Draft Regulation

An Act respecting income support, employment assistance and social solidarity (R.S.Q., c. S-32.001)

Income support — 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 support, 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 change certain conditions of eligibility for special benefits covering dental prostheses. The 3-month waiting period applicable to the first prosthesis after extraction of the teeth is abolished and the one-year period applicable to a relining after obtaining the prosthesis is reduced to 3 months. Also, the draft Regulation provides for special benefits covering the cost for adding a structure to a partial prosthesis. Those amendments are required by the agreement concluded between the Minister of Health and Social Services and the Association des chirurgiens dentistes du Québec on 19 March 2003.

To date, study of the matter has revealed a positive impact on recipients of the Employment-Assistance Program.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Gérard Lescot, Direction du développement des politiques de sécurité du revenu, 425, rue Saint-Amable, 4^e étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 4Z1; telephone: (418) 646-7221; fax: (418) 643-0019.

Any interested person having comments to make on the matter is asked to send them in writing, before the expiry of the 45-day period, to the Minister of Employment, Social Solidarity and Family Welfare, 425, rue Saint-Amable, 4^e étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 4Z1.

CLAUDE BÉCHARD, Minister of Employment, Social Solidarity and Family Welfare

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting income support^{*}

An Act respecting income support, employment assistance and social solidarity (R.S.Q., c. S-32.001, s. 156, par. 13 and s. 160)

I • Division 1 of Schedule I to the Regulation respecting income support is amended

(1) by deleting 1.1.3;

(2) by deleting 1.2.3;

(3) by replacing "one year has" in the second paragraph of 1.4 by "3 months have";

(4) by adding the following after 1.4:

"1.5 The special benefits cover the cost of adding a structure to a partial prosthesis in accordance with the rates provided for in Division 2.".

2. Division 2 of Schedule I is amended by replacing "9 April 1979" in 2.1 by "19 March 2003".

3. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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^{*} The Regulation respecting income support, made by Order in Council 1011-99 dated 1 September 1999 (1999, *G.O.* 2, 2881), was last amended by the regulation made by Order in Council 119-2003 dated 6 February 2003 (2003, *G.O.* 2, 908). For previous amendments, refer to the *Tableau des modifications et Index sommaire*, Éditeur officiel du Québec, 2003, updated to 1 March 2003.