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Professional Code (R.S.Q., c. C-26)

Guidance counsellors and psychoeducators — Committee on training

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 respecting the committee on training of guidance counsellors and psychoeducators, the text of which appears below, may be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The draft Regulation proposes to create, within the Ordre des conseillers et conseillères d'orientation et des psychoéducateurs et psychoéducatrices du Québec, two divisions within the current committee on training. One of those divisions will remain in charge of the training of guidance counsellors and the other will be responsible for the training of psychoeducators, both divisions to pursue the same mandate and use the same current procedure. On the integration of psychoeducators into the Ordre professionnel des conseillers et conseillères d'orientation du Québec in September 2000, the application of the Regulation respecting the committee on training of guidance counsellors had been limited solely to the training of guidance counsellors.

According to the Order, the amendments will have no impact on businesses, including small and medium-sized businesses.

The draft Regulation will be submitted for consultation to the Office des professions du Québec which will send the results of the consultations held with the educational institutions and other bodies mentioned in the Professional Code to the Minister responsible for the administration of legislation respecting the professions.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Renée Verville, Director General and Secretary of the Ordre des conseillers et conseillères d'orientation et des psychoéducateurs et psychoéducatrices du Québec, 1600, boulevard Henri-Bourassa Ouest, bureau 520, Montréal (Québec) H3M 3E2, telephone: (514) 737-4717 or 1 800 363-2643; fax: (514) 737-2172.

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 Chair of the Office des professions du Québec, 800, place D'Youville, 10° étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 5Z3. Comments will be forwarded by the Office to the Minister responsible for the administration of legislation respecting the professions; they may also be forwarded to the professional order concerned and to interested persons, departments and bodies.

MARC BELLEMARE, Minister responsible for the administration of legislation respecting the professions

Regulation respecting the committee on training of guidance counsellors and psychoeducators

Professional Code (R.S.Q., c. C-26, s. 184, 2nd par.)

1. A committee on training shall be set up within the Ordre professionnel des conseillers et conseillères d'orientation et des psychoéducateurs et psychoéducatrices du Ouébec.

The committee shall be composed of two divisions.

One division shall be in charge of the training of guidance counsellors and the other of the training of psychoeducators.

2. The committee shall be an advisory committee whose mandate is to examine matters relating to the quality of the training of guidance counsellors and psychoeducators, in keeping with the respective and complementary jurisdictions of the Order, the university educational institutions and the Minister of Education.

"Quality of training" means the adequacy of the training of the professional skills required for the practice of the professions of guidance counsellor and psychoeducator.

As regards training, the committee shall consider

- (1) the objectives of the training programs offered by educational institutions leading to a diploma that gives access to a permit or specialist's certificate;
- (2) the objectives of the other conditions and procedures for the issue of permits or specialist's certificates that may be imposed by a regulation of the Bureau, such as professional training periods or professional examinations; and

- (3) the standards for equivalence of diplomas or training prescribed by regulation of the Bureau that give access to a permit or specialist's certificate.
- **3.** The committee shall be composed of ten members chosen for their knowledge and the responsibilities they have exercised in respect of the matters referred to in section 2.

The conférence des recteurs et des principaux des universités du Québec shall appoint two members for each division.

The Minister of Education or his or her representative, the Deputy Minister or the Assistant Deputy Minister for Higher Education, shall appoint one member to the committee and, if necessary, one alternate for each division.

The Bureau shall appoint two members of the Order for each division and the committee shall select one of those two members as its chair.

The committee may also authorize persons or representatives of organizations concerned to participate in its meetings.

4. The members of the committee shall be appointed for a term of three years.

The members shall remain in office until they are reappointed or replaced.

- **5.** The duties of the committee shall be
- (1) to review each year the quality of training in light of developments in knowledge and practice and particularly in respect of the protection of the public and, where appropriate, report its observations to the Bureau; and
- (2) to give its opinion to the Bureau, as regards the quality of training,
- (a) on projects involving the revision or the preparation of the objectives or standards referred to in the third paragraph of section 2; and
- (b) on ways to improve the quality of training, in particular by proposing solutions to the problems observed.

The committee shall indicate in its report, if any, and in its opinion the viewpoint of each of its members.

- **6.** The members of the committee shall strive to gather information relevant to the exercise of the committee's duties from the organizations that appointed them and from any other organization or person concerned.
- **7.** The chair shall fix the date, time and place of the committee's meetings.

Despite the foregoing, the chair shall call a meeting of the committee whenever at least three of its members so request.

- **8.** The committee shall hold at least two meetings per year.
- **9.** The quorum of the committee shall be three members by division, including one member appointed by the Bureau, one by the Conference and one by the Minister.
- **10.** Clerical support for the committee shall be the responsibility of the Order.

The secretary designated by the Order shall see to drawing up and keeping the minutes, reports and opinions of the committee.

- **11.** The Bureau shall transmit a copy of the committee's report, if any, and a copy of the committee's opinion to the Conference, to the Minister of Education and to the Office des professions du Québec.
- **12.** The annual report of the Order shall contain the conclusions of the committee's report, if any, and of its opinions.
- **13.** Despite the first paragraph of section 4, for the first division in charge of the training of psychoeducators set up after the date of coming into force of this Regulation, one of the members appointed by the Bureau and one of the members appointed by the Conference shall be appointed for a term of two years.
- **14.** This Regulation replaces the Regulation respecting the committee on training of guidance counsellors made by Order in Council 1031-97 dated 13 August 1997.
- **15.** 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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