## **Draft Regulations**

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An Act respecting lotteries, publicity contests and amusement machines (chapter L-6)

#### Bingos —Amendment

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), that the Rules to amend the Bingo Rules, appearing below and adopted by the Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux at its plenary session of November 13<sup>th</sup> 2013, may be submitted to the Government for approval on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The draft Rules amend the Bingo Rules (chapter L-6, r. 5) in order to amend the mechanism for sharing the revenue generated by the bingo.

To date, study of the matter has shown no impact on the public and on enterprises, including small and mediumsized businesses.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Marie-Christine Bergeron, Secretary, Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux, 560, boulevard Charest Est, Québec (Québec) G1K 3J3; telephone: 418 528-7225, extension 23003; fax: 418 646-5204; email: marie-christine. bergeron@racj.gouv.qc.ca

Any person having comments to make is requested to submit written comments within the 45-day period to Marie-Christine Bergeron, Secretary, Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux, 560, boulevard Charest Est, 2<sup>e</sup> étage, Québec (Québec) G1K 3J3.

STÉPHANE BERGERON, *Minister of Public Security* 

## **Rules to amend the Bingo Rules**

An Act respecting lotteries, publicity contests and amusement machines (chapter L-6, s. 20, 1st par., subpar. *i*.3)

**1.** The Bingo Rules (chapter L-6, r. 5) are amended by replacing the second paragraph of section 135 by the following:

"The sum is shared in the following proportions:

(1) 75% to the holder of the bingo hall manager's licence and 25% to the mandators on the first \$25,000 of monthly revenue;

(2) 55% to the holder of the bingo hall manager's licence and 45% to the mandators on the monthly revenue above \$25,000 and up to \$60,000;

(3) 45% to the holder of the bingo hall manager's licence and 55% to the mandators on the monthly revenue exceeding \$60,000.".

**2.** Section 145 is amended by adding the following after the first paragraph:

"The monthly statements must be sent to the board together with the annual report within the time prescribed in section 148.".

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**3.** For persons who hold a bingo hall manager's licence on (*insert the date of coming into force of these Rules*), these Rules apply only from the anniversary date of the issue of the licence.

**4.** These Rules come into force on the fifteenth day following the date of their publication in the *Gazette* officielle du Québec.

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#### **Draft Regulation**

Optometry Act (chapter O-7)

#### Optometrists

—Acts which, among those that constitute the practice of optometry, may be performed by classes of persons other than optometrists

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), that the Regulation respecting the acts that may be performed by optometric assistants, made by the board of directors of the Ordre des optométristes du Québec, may be submitted to the Government which may approve it, with or without amendment, on the expiry of 45 days following this publication. The Regulation authorises the performance of certain acts of optometry by optometric assistants.

The draft Regulation has no impact on enterprises, including small and medium-sized businesses.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Marco Laverdière, Executive Director and Secretary, Ordre des optométristes du Québec, 1265, rue Berri, bureau 700, Montréal (Québec) H2L 4X4; telephone: 514 499-0524; fax: 514 499-1051.

Any person wishing to comment on the draft Regulation is requested to submit written comments within the 45-day period to the Chair of the Office des professions du Québec, 800, place D'Youville, 10° étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 5Z3. The comments will be forwarded by the Office to the Minister of Justice and may also be sent to the professional order that made the Regulation and to interested persons, departments and bodies.

JEAN PAUL DUTRISAC, Chair of the Office des professions du Québec

# Regulation respecting the acts that may be performed by optometric assistants

Optometry Act (chapter O-7, s. 10, 1st ss., par. *a*)

**I**. The purpose of this Regulation is to determine, among the acts that may be performed by optometrists under section 16 of the Optometry Act (chapter O-7), those which, pursuant to certain prescribed conditions, may be performed by optometric assistants.

**2.** For the purposes of this regulation, "optometric assistant" means any person who is entered in a register kept by the Ordre des optométristes du Québec after satisfying the conditions of paragraphs (1) or (2):

(1) successful completion of the following training no later than during the year preceding his entry in the register:

*a)* a training program in fitting ophthalmic eyeglasses for optometric assistants that includes a minimum of 72 hours divided up as follows:

i. not less than 20 hours of introductory optometric science, particularly concerning the anatomy and the physiology of the eye, refractive errors and their correction methods; ii. not less than 52 hours of fitting techniques, particularly concerning the parameters necessary for the execution of an optical prescription, the taking of measurements, the adjustment and adaptation of frames, the effects of fitting on patient vision and comfort, as well as the general activities engaged in when delivering ophthalmic eyeglasses;

*b)* a comprehensive test, which comprises a theoretical component and a practical component, of the subjects taught in the training program contemplated by subparagraph *a*.

(2) acquisition of the equivalent of three years of fulltime work experience under the supervision of an optometrist or a dispensing optician during the five years preceding his entry in the register and the successful completion of the test contemplated by subparagraph b of paragraph (1) no later than during the year preceding his entry in the register.

The Board of Directors of the Order approves a training program that meets the requirements contemplated by subparagraph a of paragraph (1).

The person must be entered in the register contemplated by the first paragraph before (*enter the date 5 years after the date on which this Regulation comes into force here*).

**3.** Optometric assistants may perform the following acts:

(1) make the final selection of glass frames with a patient, following the instructions of an optometrist or a dispensing optician;

(2) take the measurements required for the purposes of ordering eyeglass frames or the lenses that will be inserted in them, provided these measurements are verified by an optometrist or a dispensing optician;

(3) fit eyeglass frames containing lenses, following the instructions of an optometrist or a dispensing optician;

(4) perform a basic verification of the visual and physical comfort of patients after a lens is inserted in eyeglass frames.

Whenever they perform these acts, optometric assistants must act under the supervision of an optometrist or a dispensing optician who is responsible for them. Patients must also be informed of the identity of the optometrist or dispensing optician responsible for an optometric assistant and be able to consult with the optometrist or dispensing optician on site within a short period of time. **4.** Any person enrolled in a training program for optometric assistants or admitted to the test contemplated by section 2 may perform, pursuant to section 3, the acts that may be performed by optometric assistants, provided they are required for the purposes of completing the program or the test.

**5.** 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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