Draft Regulations

Draft Regulation

An Act respecting financial assistance for education expenses (chapter A-13.3)

Financial assistance for education expenses — Amendment

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), that the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting financial assistance for education expenses, appearing below, may be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The draft Regulation indexes certain amounts allocated as exemptions or allowable expenses for the purpose of computing the amount of financial assistance for education expenses and the maximum amount of a loan that may be granted for a year of allocation.

The draft Regulation also specifies the nature of the income used to compute the contribution of the parents, sponsor or spouse and to establish their financial resources and those of the student.

The draft Regulation also replaces the notion of complete destitution used in the provisions regarding advance financial assistance and the status of a student deemed to be enrolled by the notion of serious and exceptional situation.

Lastly, the draft Regulation specifies the status of residence of the student in order to compute the reduction of the student's contribution.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Simon Boucher-Doddridge, Acting Director, Direction de la planification des programmes, Aide financière aux études et gouvernance interne des ressources, Ministère de l'Enseignement supérieur, de la Recherche, de la Science et de la Technologie, 1035, rue De La Chevrotière, 20° étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 5A5, telephone: 418 643-6276, extension 6085. Any person wishing to comment on the draft Regulation is requested to submit written comments within the 45-day period to the Minister of Higher Education, Research, Science and Technology, 1035, rue De La Chevrotière, 16^e étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 5A5.

PIERRE DUCHESNE, Minister of Higher Education Research, Science and Technology

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting financial assistance for education expenses

An Act respecting financial assistance for education expenses (chapter A-13.3, s. 57)

1. The Regulation respecting financial assistance for education expenses (chapter A-13.3, r. 1) is amended in section 7 by inserting "or is not deemed to reside with his or her parents or sponsor within the meaning of section 31," after "period," in the third paragraph.

2. Section 9 is amended by inserting ", or is not deemed to reside with his or her parents or sponsor, pursuant to section 31, with the necessary modifications," after "sponsor".

3. Section 12 is amended by adding the following sentence at the end of the first paragraph:

"The income of the parents is added to establish their contribution."

4. Section 13 is amended by replacing "If" in the first paragraph by "Despite section 12, if".

5. Section 15 is amended by replacing the first paragraph by the following:

"15. The income used to determine the contribution of the parents, sponsor or spouse is the total income appearing in their respective income tax return filed in

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accordance with section 1000 of the Taxation Act (chapter I3) for the calendar year ending before the beginning of the year of allocation and confirmed by the assessment notice of the Minister of Finance and the Economy. However, the total income appearing in the income tax return of one of those persons must be reduced, where applicable, by the amount of the retirement income transferred by the spouse.".

6. Section 17 is amended

(1) by replacing "\$2,928" in paragraph 1 by "\$2,956";

(2) by replacing "\$2,484" in paragraph 2 by "\$2,508".

7. Section 18 is amended by replacing "\$2,484" by "\$2,508".

8. Section 26 is amended by replacing "\$182" in the second paragraph by "\$184".

9. Section 27 is amended by replacing paragraph 1 by the following:

"(1) is in a serious and exceptional situation, within the meaning of section 96;".

10. Section 29 is amended by replacing the amounts in subparagraphs 1 to 6 of the third paragraph by the following amounts:

(1) "\$181";

(2) "\$181";

(3) "\$208";

- (4) "\$398";
- (5) "\$454";
- (6) "\$208".

11. Section 32 is amended

(1) by replacing "\$380" and "\$811" in the first paragraph by "\$384" and "\$819" respectively;

(2) by replacing "\$169", "\$211", "\$600" and "\$211" in the second paragraph by "\$171", "\$213", "\$606" and "\$213" respectively.

12. Section 33 is amended

(1) by replacing "\$65" in the first paragraph by "\$66";

(2) by replacing "\$183" in the second paragraph by "\$185".

13. Section 34 is amended by replacing "\$268" and "\$1,248" in the first paragraph by "\$271" and "\$1,260" respectively.

14. Section 35 is amended by replacing "\$92" in the second paragraph by "\$93".

15. Section 37 is amended by replacing "\$244" in the fifth paragraph by "\$246".

16. Section 40 is amended by replacing "\$70" and "\$561" in the first paragraph by "\$71" and "\$566" respectively.

17. Section 50 is amended

(1) by replacing the amounts in subparagraphs 1 to 3 of the first paragraph by the following amounts:

(1) "\$14,301";

(2) "\$14,301";

(3) "\$17,181";

(2) by replacing the amounts in subparagraphs 1 to 3 of the third paragraph by the following amounts:

- (1) "\$3,854";
- (2) "\$4,877";
- (3) "\$5,906".

18. Section 74 is amended by replacing "\$244" and "\$122" in the second paragraph by "\$246" and "\$123" respectively.

19. Section 82 is amended by replacing "\$2,928" and "\$2,193" in the third paragraph by "\$2,956" and "\$2,214" respectively.

20. Section 83 is replaced by the following:

"83. The financial resources of a student consist of the total income appearing in his or her income tax return filed in accordance with section 1000 of the Taxation Act (chapter I-3) for the calendar year ending before the beginning of the year of allocation and confirmed by the assessment notice of the Minister of Finance and the Economy.

In addition, where the student has a spouse or is deemed to receive a contribution from his or her parents or sponsor, their income is added to the amount established in accordance with the first paragraph, as the case may be, and consists of the total income appearing in their respective income tax return filed in accordance with section 1000 of the Taxation Act (chapter I-3) for the calendar year ending before the beginning of the year of allocation and confirmed by the assessment notice of the Minister of Finance and the Economy.

However, the total income appearing in the income tax return of one of those persons must be reduced, where applicable, by the amount of the retirement income transferred by the spouse.

In the case provided for in section 13, the parent's income consists only of the income of the sole parent whose income must be taken into account pursuant to that section.

Despite the second paragraph, if the student is in any of the situations referred to in section 21, the income of the spouse, parents or sponsor is not taken into account.".

21. Section 86 is amended

(1) by replacing the amounts in subparagraphs 1 to 3 of the first paragraph by the following amounts:

(1) "\$2.19";

(2) "\$3.27";

(3) "\$112.70";

(2) by replacing "\$10.83" in the second paragraph by "\$10.94".

22. Section 87.1 is amended by replacing "\$370" by "\$374".

23. Section 96 is amended

(1) by replacing the first paragraph by the following:

"The Minister may grant advance financial assistance to a student who has applied for financial assistance and is in a serious and exceptional situation that makes the student unable to meet the more immediate and urgent essential needs. A student is in such situation when, in the previous and current months, he or she (1) has less resources than the living expenses determined in sections 32 and 33 in the form of cash, property and available credit; and

(2) has no income or has an income enabling him or her to meet only one of the essential needs, like the need for food, lodging, heating, electricity and clothing.";

(2) by adding the following paragraph after the first paragraph:

"The Minister may also grant advance financial assistance to a student who has applied for financial assistance and has, in the preceding month, received last resort financial assistance under the Individual and Family Assistance Act (chapter A-13.1.1)."

24. This Regulation applies as of the 2014-2015 year of allocation.

25. 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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Health Insurance Act (chapter A-29)

Regulation — Amendment

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), that the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the application of the Health Insurance Act, the text of which appears hereafter, may be made by the government on the expiry of the 45-day deadline following this publication.

The object of this draft regulation is to amend the Regulation respecting the application of the Health Insurance Act (chapter A-29, r. 5) in order to add new procedures to the list of dental and oral surgery services that are deemed insured under the Health Insurance Act.

The proposed amendments are thus intended to add surgical services to the list of services that must be considered insured under the Health Insurance Act so as to enhance accessibility for the Québec population to the oral surgery services dispensed in institutions.