

FIRST SESSION

FORTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

Bill 140 (2018, chapter 17)

An Act respecting the services available to a former Prime Minister

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

This Act amends the Executive Power Act to define the services available to a former Prime Minister. To that end, it describes those services and specifies how long they may be provided.

LEGISLATION AMENDED BY THIS ACT:

- Executive Power Act (chapter E-18).

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AN ACT RESPECTING THE SERVICES AVAILABLE TO A FORMER PRIME MINISTER

THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

EXECUTIVE POWER ACT

1. The Executive Power Act (chapter E-18) is amended by inserting the following division after section 11:

"DIVISION II.0.1

"SERVICES AVAILABLE TO A FORMER PRIME MINISTER

"11.0.1. The following services are available to a former Prime Minister for one year after he leaves office:

(1) protection provided in the territory of Québec by a person designated by the Minister of Public Security, and a vehicle provided by the Government;

(2) protection provided by a person designated by the Minister of Public Security during a mission outside Québec sent on behalf of the Government, if the threat assessment of the Minister of Public Security warrants it;

(3) continued use of the security and video surveillance systems for his residence, connected to the Sûreté du Québec's surveillance station; and

(4) administrative support comprising solely

(*a*) an office with a usable area of not more than 100 m², provided by the Société québécoise des infrastructures;

(b) office and mobile telephone furniture, supplies and equipment corresponding to government standards, provided by the Ministère du Conseil exécutif; and

(c) one or two persons of his choice, whose combined annual remuneration may not exceed the salary to which a political attaché is entitled at the maximum of the salary scale applicable to that position according to the scales determined by the Conseil du trésor in accordance with section 11.6, remunerated from an envelope reserved out of the maximum payroll authorized for the remuneration of the sitting Prime Minister's entire office staff. The period during which the services described in the first paragraph are available to a former Prime Minister is extended by three months, up to a total of one year, for each complete year he served as Prime Minister. If the period during which the former Prime Minister held office includes a fraction of a year, the extension for that fraction is calculated in proportion to the number of days it comprises.

"11.0.2. The services described in subparagraph 4 of the first paragraph of section 11.0.1 are available to a former Prime Minister to ensure a transition after he leaves his former office as Prime Minister and to allow him to fulfill requests related to that office, particularly for educational, social, documentary or historical purposes. The services may not be used for personal, professional or partisan purposes.

For the purposes of subparagraph 4 of the first paragraph of section 11.0.1, the one-year period provided for in that section begins three months after the former Prime Minister leaves office or, if it is earlier, on the date on which any of the elements of administrative support mentioned in that subparagraph is first made available to the former Prime Minister. If the former Prime Minister remains a leader of a parliamentary group within the meaning of the Standing Orders of the National Assembly, the period begins, in the same manner, when the former Prime Minister leaves office as leader of such a parliamentary group.

"11.0.3. The services mentioned in subparagraphs 1 and 3 of the first paragraph of section 11.0.1 may be made available to the former Prime Minister for a period exceeding the period provided for in that section if the threat assessment of the Minister of Public Security warrants it.

"II.0.4. According to the means available, reception and support services are also available to a former Prime Minister during a mission outside Québec, on behalf of the Government or at the sitting Prime Minister's request, to Canadian provinces or territories or to States where Québec is represented."

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2. This Act comes into force on 12 June 2018.