Regulations and other Acts

Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 704-2020, 30 June 2020

An Act to facilitate the payment of support (chapter P-2.2)

Collection of support

—Amendment

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the collection of support

WHEREAS, under the first paragraph of section 35 of the Act to facilitate the payment of support (chapter P-2.2), the Government may impose, in the cases and on the conditions prescribed by regulation, the payment of a fee for the collection of arrears in support payments owed by the debtor of support or of any amount exigible from another person under that Act;

WHEREAS, under paragraph 3 of section 71 of that Act, the Government may determine, by regulation, the cases and conditions in and on which the Government may impose a fee under section 35 of that Act and fix the amount of such fee;

WHEREAS, under paragraph 1 of section 4 of the Regulation respecting the collection of support (chapter P-2.2, r. 1), the fees exigible where an amount whose payment is requested in a demand for payment under the first paragraph of section 46 of the Act to facilitate the payment of support has not been paid within the period prescribed in that section are \$110;

WHEREAS, by Order in Council 177-2020 dated 13 March 2020, the Government declared a public health emergency and took certain measures to protect the health of the population;

Whereas, under section 12 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), a proposed regulation may be made without having been published in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* as provided for in section 8 of that Act, if the authority making it is of the opinion that the urgency of the situation requires it;

WHEREAS, under section 13 of that Act, the reason justifying the absence of such publication shall be published with the regulation;

WHEREAS, under section 18 of that Act, a regulation may come into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* where the authority that has made it is of the opinion that the urgency of the situation requires it;

WHEREAS the Government is of the opinion that the urgency due to the following circumstances justifies the absence of prior publication and such coming into force of the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the collection of support:

—the current COVID-19 pandemic has led to the application of public health measures that have had exceptional economic consequences for debtors and creditors of support;

—it is necessary to provide for the suspension of the requirement to pay fees for debtors and creditors of support where an amount whose payment is requested in a demand for payment under the first paragraph of section 46 of the Act to facilitate the payment of support has not been paid in the time prescribed by that section;

It is ordered, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Finance:

That the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the collection of support, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

YVES OUELLET, Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the collection of support

An Act to facilitate the payment of support (chapter P-2.2, s. 71, par. 3)

1. The Regulation respecting the collection of support (chapter P-2.2, r. 1), amended by the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the collection of support enacted by Order in Council 443-2020 dated 8 April 2020, is further amended by inserting the following after section 4.1, as made by the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the collection of support:

- "4.2. For the period beginning on 2 July 2020 and ending on 30 September 2020, section 4 must read without taking into account its paragraph 1 where a demand for payment has been transmitted to a debtor of support or creditor of support."
- **2.** This Regulation comes into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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