Regulations and other Acts

Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 592-2021, 21 April 2021

Public Health Act (chapter S-2.2)

Regulation

-Modification

Regulation to amend the Regulation under the Public Health Act

Whereas, under section 71 of the Public Health Act (chapter S-2.2), the Minister is to compensate, regardless of responsibility, any victim of bodily injury caused by a voluntary vaccination against a disease or infection identified in the regulation made by the Government under section 137 of the Act, when the vaccination has taken place in Québec;

WHEREAS, under paragraph 1 of section 137 of the Act, the Government, by regulation, is to establish in particular the list of vaccines for which compensation may be paid;

WHEREAS the Government declared a public health emergency by Order in Council 177-2020 dated 13 March 2020 and has taken various 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 where the authority that has made it is of the opinion that the urgency of the situation requires it;

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

WHEREAS, under section 18 of the 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, and the reason justifying such coming into force must be published with the regulation;

WHEREAS the Government is of the opinion that the urgency due to the following circumstances justifies the absence of such publication of the Regulation to amend the Regulation under the Public Health Act and its coming into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*:

- (1) the current COVID-19 pandemic;
- (2) the recent approval of COVID-19 vaccines by Health Canada;
- (3) the urgent need to vaccinate Quebecers to protect the health of the population;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation to amend the Regulation under the Public Health Act;

It is ordered, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Health and Social Services:

THAT the Regulation to amend the Regulation under the Public Health Act, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

YVES OUELLET Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

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Public Health Act (chapter S-2.2, s. 137, par. 1°)

- **1.** The Regulation under the Public Health Act (chapter S-2.2, r. 1) is amended in section 4 by inserting the following after the tenth dash:
 - "-coronavirus infections".
- **2.** This Regulation comes into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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