DRAFT REGULATIONS

Draft regulation

Act respecting the Québec Pension Plan (chapter R-9)

Benefits

-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 benefits, appearing below, may be submitted to the Government for approval on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The draft Regulation provides for the simplification of the rule fixing the disability end date. The current rule sets the end of the disability at the end of the first threemonth period in which average monthly earnings exceed the maximum amount allowed. The new proposed rule sets the end of the disability on the last day of the month in which the earnings reach the maximum amount allowed.

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

Further information on the draft Regulation may be obtained by contacting Ms. Virginie Guilbert-Couture, Direction générale des affaires juridiques, Retraite Québec, 2600, boulevard Laurier, 7e étage, bureau 760, Québec (Québec) GIV 4T3, telephone: 418 657-8702; email: virginie.guilbert-couture@retraitequebec.gouv. qc.ca.

Any person wishing to comment on the draft Regulation is requested to submit written comments within the 45-day period to René Dufresne, President and Chief Executive Officer, Retraite Québec, Place de la Cité, 2600, boulevard Laurier, 5° étage, bureau 544, Québec (Québec) GIV 4T3, email: rene.dufresne@retraitequebec. gouv.qc.ca.

ERIC GIRARD

Minister of Finance

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting benefits

Act respecting the Québec Pension Plan (chapter R-9, s. 219, par. *h*.2).

- **1.** The Regulation respecting benefits (chapter R-9, r. 5) is amended by replacing section 19.1 by the following:
- "19.1. For the purposes of the third paragraph of section 96 of the Act, a contributor's disability end date is fixed on the last day of the month during which the contributor's income from an occupation reaches the amount that, in accordance with section 17, is considered to qualify an occupation as being substantially gainful for the year."
- **2.** This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette* officielle du Québec.

107089