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Bill 28
(2019, chapter 22)

**An Act to allow the establishment of
certain health and social services
measures related to the Mauricie et
Centre-du-Québec health region's
special geographic status**

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

This Act amends the Act to modify the organization and governance of the health and social services network, in particular by abolishing the regional agencies to take into account the special geographic status of the Mauricie et Centre-du-Québec health region.

To that end, the Act provides that the president and executive director of an integrated health and social services centre may be assisted by two assistant president and executive directors if such a centre is located in a health region whose territory corresponds to the entire territory of two administrative regions of Québec. In addition, in such a case, a people's forum may be established for each of those administrative regions.

Lastly, the Act contains consequential amendments.

LEGISLATION AMENDED BY THIS ACT:

– Act to modify the organization and governance of the health and social services network, in particular by abolishing the regional agencies (chapter O-7.2).

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AN ACT TO ALLOW THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CERTAIN HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES MEASURES RELATED TO THE MAURICIE ET CENTRE-DU-QUÉBEC HEALTH REGION'S SPECIAL GEOGRAPHIC STATUS

THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

ACT TO MODIFY THE ORGANIZATION AND GOVERNANCE OF THE HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES NETWORK, IN PARTICULAR BY ABOLISHING THE REGIONAL AGENCIES

1. Section 33 of the Act to modify the organization and governance of the health and social services network, in particular by abolishing the regional agencies (chapter O-7.2) is amended

(1) by inserting the following paragraph after the second paragraph:

“The president and executive director must be assisted by two assistant president and executive directors if the integrated health and social services centre for which he or she exercises his or her functions is located in a health region whose territory corresponds to the entire territory of two administrative regions of Québec. The first and second paragraphs apply to the appointment of each of those assistant president and executive directors.”;

(2) by inserting “or, if there are two, by the one designated by the Minister” and “or, if there are two, the one designated by the Minister” after “by the assistant president and executive director” and “, the assistant president and executive director”, respectively, in the third paragraph.

2. Section 50 of the Act is amended by replacing “under the authority of the president and executive director, or of an assistant president and executive director determined by the board” in the second paragraph by “under the authority of the assistant president and executive director or, if there are two, under the authority of the one determined by the board, or under the authority of the assistant executive director determined by the board”.

3. Section 57 of the Act is amended

(1) by replacing “The assistant president and executive director” in the first paragraph by “Assistant president and executive directors”;

(2) by replacing “que le président-directeur général adjoint” in the third paragraph in the French text by “qu’un président-directeur général adjoint”.

4. The Act is amended by inserting the following section after section 73:

“73.1. Despite section 343.1 of the Act, if an integrated health and social services centre is located in a health region whose territory corresponds to the entire territory of two administrative regions of Québec, it may establish a people’s forum for each of those administrative regions.”

5. Section 120 of the Act is amended by inserting the following paragraph after the third paragraph:

“For the purposes of section 15 of the Act, if a people’s forum has been established for two administrative regions of Québec under section 73.1 of this Act, the public health director consults each of the forums.”

TRANSITIONAL PROVISION

6. The Government must appoint the second assistant president and executive director, in accordance with the third paragraph of section 33 of the Act to modify the organization and governance of the health and social services network, in particular by abolishing the regional agencies (chapter O-7.2), enacted by section 1, not later than 21 May 2020.

FINAL PROVISION

7. This Act comes into force on 21 November 2019.