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Bill 42

**An Act to amend the Health  
Insurance Act and the Act  
respecting the Régie de  
l'assurance-maladie du Québec**

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**Introduction**

Introduced by  
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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

*This bill authorizes the transmission of specified information to persons responsible for the administration of a health insurance plan in another province to enable them to identify the persons who have left that province.*

*It also authorizes the disclosure to the Minister of Manpower, Income Security and Skills Development of certain information concerning medical prescriptions that have been given to and made up for beneficiaries of a last resort assistance program established under the Act respecting income security.*

*Finally, the bill includes certain concordance or conformity provisions.*

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### **An Act to amend the Health Insurance Act and the Act respecting the Régie de l'assurance-maladie du Québec**

THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

**1.** Section 13 of the Health Insurance Act (R.S.Q., chapter A-29), amended by section 14 of chapter 50 of the statutes of 1989, is again amended

(1) by inserting the words “, wheel chairs” after the word “apparatus” in the third line of the second paragraph;

(2) by inserting the words “, wheel chairs” after the word “apparatus” in the second line of the fourth paragraph.

**2.** The said Act is amended by inserting, after section 65, the following section:

**“65.1** Following the registration as beneficiary of a person from another province, the Board may transmit the following information to the persons responsible for the administration of the equivalent plan in the other province to enable them to determine the date of termination of that person’s eligibility for insured services under that province’s plan: the beneficiary’s name, given names, date of birth, sex, date of arrival in Québec, address, health insurance number, as well as his health insurance number in his province of origin and the date on which he became eligible for insured services under the Québec plan.”

**3.** Section 67 of the said Act, amended by section 102 of chapter 51 of the statutes of 1988 and by section 36 of chapter 50 of the statutes of 1989, is again amended by adding, after the first sentence of the third paragraph, the following: “Moreover, section 63 does not

prohibit the disclosure to the said Minister, in respect of a person holding a valid claim booklet issued under section 70 and in relation to services referred to in the third paragraph of section 3, of the number of different physicians who prescribed prescription medicines to the person and the number of different pharmacists who made up these prescriptions.”

**4.** The English text of section 68 of the said Act is amended by replacing the words “general manager” in the second line by the words “director general”.

**5.** The English text of section 68.1 of the said Act is amended by replacing the words “general manager” in the third line of the first paragraph by the words “director general”.

**6.** Section 69 of the said Act, amended by section 37 of chapter 50 of the statutes of 1989, is again amended by replacing the word “scholarship” in the fourth line of subparagraph *o* of the first paragraph by the word “bursary”.

**7.** The English text of section 10 of the Act respecting the Régie de l’assurance-maladie du Québec (R.S.Q., chapter R-5) is amended by replacing the words “general manager” by the words “director general”.

**8.** The English text of section 14 of the said Act is amended by replacing the words “general manager” in the first line by the words “director general”.

**9.** The English text of section 22 of the said Act is amended by replacing the words “general manager” in the third line by the words “director general”.

**10.** This Act comes into force on *(insert here the date of assent to this Act)*.