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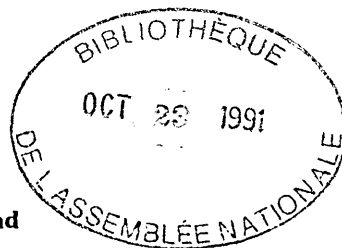
Bill 164

## **An Act to amend the Act respecting family assistance allowances**

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### **Introduction**

Introduced by  
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Minister of Manpower, Income Security and  
Skills Development



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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

*This bill amends the Act respecting family assistance allowances in order to implement a measure announced by the Minister of Finance in his Budget Speech of 2 May 1991. The measure extends from four to five years the payment period of the allowance for newborn children for a third or subsequent child.*

*In addition, it provides that an application for direct deposit of a family allowance paid by the federal government may be considered a valid application for direct deposit of family assistance allowances paid by the Régie des rentes du Québec.*

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THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

**1.** Section 9 of the Act respecting family assistance allowances (R.S.Q., chapter A-17), amended by section 4 of the Act to amend the Act respecting family assistance allowances (1990, chapter 37) and by section 1 of the Act to again amend the Act respecting family assistance allowances (1990, chapter 72), is again amended by replacing the words “four years” wherever they appear in the first, fourth and fifth paragraphs by the words “five years”.

**2.** The said Act is amended by inserting, after section 27.2, the following section:

**“27.2.1** The Board, unless informed by the applicant of his wish to the contrary, may hold that an application for direct deposit of the family allowance paid under the Family Allowances Act (Revised Statutes of Canada (1985) chapter F-1) is valid for an allowance payable under this Act, provided that the financial institution chosen for the deposit has entered into an agreement with the Government permitting such deposits.

The Board must, as soon as possible, notify the applicant of payment by direct deposit.”

**3.** Section 1 applies, in respect of a third or subsequent child having reached four years of age before 1 May 1991, for quarters beginning after the month of March 1991.

Furthermore, every family is entitled, in respect of a third or subsequent child having reached five years of age during the month

of May 1991, to one quarterly payment of the allowance for newborn children provided for in section 9 of the Act respecting family assistance allowances.

**4.** Sections 1 and 3 have effect from 1 May 1991.

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