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Bill 61

An Act to amend the Pharmacy Act

Introduction

**Introduced by
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EXPLANATORY NOTES

The object of this bill is to permit Québec pharmacists to fill out prescriptions obtained elsewhere in Canada where they are equivalent to prescriptions made in Québec.

The bill also allows pharmacists to use the title of a specialist, and ensures that pharmacies continue to provide services to the public in certain cases of insolvency not previously regulated.

Finally, the bill ensures that the rules relating to the adoption and coming into force of regulations are in harmony with the rules contained in the Regulations Act and that the qualifications required of the directors of the Bureau of the Ordre des pharmaciens du Québec under the Pharmacy Act and under the Professional Code are uniform.

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THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. Section 1 of the Pharmacy Act (R.S.Q., chapter P-10) is amended by replacing paragraph *j* by the following paragraph:

“(j) “ordonnance”: an authorization to supply a medication or poison,

i. given by a person authorized to prescribe medications or poisons by a law of Québec;

ii. given by a person authorized to prescribe medications or poisons by a law of another province or of a territory in Canada to the extent that such person would be authorized to prescribe such medication or poison by a law of Québec if he were practising in Québec;”.

2. Section 4 of the said Act is amended by striking out the second paragraph.

3. Section 11 of the said Act is amended by striking out the second paragraph.

4. Section 26 of the said Act is amended

(1) by striking out the first sentence of the second paragraph;

(2) by adding, after the second paragraph, the following paragraph:

“A pharmacist is authorized to assume the title of specialist only if he holds a specialist’s certificate issued in accordance with the Professional Code.”

5. Section 30 of the said Act is amended by adding the following paragraph:

“A bank which has realized on its security under section 178 of the Bank Act (S.C. 1980-81-82-83, chapter 40), an assignee of an assignment of property in stock under the Act respecting bills of lading, receipts and transfers of property in stock (R.S.Q., chapter C-53) or a trustee under a deed of trust, or their respective mandataries, may administer the pharmacy for a period of three years, by placing it under the personal supervision of a pharmacist.”

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