

FIRST SESSION

FORTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

Bill 691

An Act to prohibit billing accessory costs for insured services

Introduction

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#### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

This bill amends the Health Insurance Act to absolutely prohibit professionals who have withdrawn and health professionals who are subject to the application of an agreement from charging or receiving payment from an insured person for costs incurred for services. To that end, the bill repeals the provision allowing the Government to prescribe, by regulation, the cases and conditions in and on which payment is authorized.

Once the Act has come into force, health professionals who could bill services, supplies and accessory costs under an agreement will no longer be able to do so.

#### **LEGISLATION AMENDED BY THIS BILL:**

- Act to promote access to family medicine and specialized medicine services (chapter A-2.2);

– Health Insurance Act (chapter A-29).

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#### THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

#### HEALTH INSURANCE ACT

- **1.** Section 22 of the Health Insurance Act (chapter A-29) is amended
  - (1) by striking out the twelfth paragraph;
  - (2) by replacing "thirteenth" in the fourteenth paragraph by "twelfth".
- **2.** Section 22.0.0.0.1 of the Act is repealed.
- **3.** Section 22.0.0.1 of the Act is amended

(1) by striking out "of fees that the physician may charge an insured person under a government regulation made under this Act, and the tariff" in the first paragraph;

(2) by striking out "for the fees mentioned in the first paragraph and" in the third paragraph;

(3) by striking out "This also applies to the fees mentioned in the first paragraph." in the fifth paragraph.

## ACT TO PROMOTE ACCESS TO FAMILY MEDICINE AND SPECIALIZED MEDICINE SERVICES

**4.** Section 76 of the Act to promote access to family medicine and specialized medicine services (chapter A-2.2) is repealed.

#### FINAL PROVISION

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