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Bill 9

An Act to establish the Health and Social Services Information Resources Fund

Introduction

**Introduced by
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Minister of Health and Social Services**

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

This bill establishes the Health and Social Services Information Resources Fund. The Fund is dedicated to financing the department's activities relating to the information resource services it may provide to health and social services agencies, to health or social services institutions, and to other bodies and persons operating or working in the health and social services sector.

Certain of the Minister's powers concerning the information resource services the Minister may provide are specified.

LEGISLATION AMENDED BY THIS BILL:

- Act respecting the Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux (chapter M-19.2);
- Act to dissolve the Société de gestion informatique SOGIQUE (2012, chapter 9).

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THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

ACT RESPECTING THE MINISTÈRE DE LA SANTÉ ET DES SERVICES SOCIAUX

1. The Act respecting the Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux (chapter M-19.2) is amended by inserting the following sections after section 11.7:

“11.7.1. The Health and Social Services Information Resources Fund is established. The Fund is dedicated to financing the department’s activities relating to installation, maintenance and repair services for any technological medium used by a health and social services agency, by a health or social services institution, or by another body or a person operating or working in the health and social services sector, support services for users of those technological media, information resource management services, and information asset design, production and supply services for the providers.

“11.7.2. The following are credited to the Fund:

- (1) the sums collected to carry out the activities referred to in section 11.7.1;
- (2) the sums transferred to the Fund by the Minister out of the appropriations granted for that purpose by Parliament;
- (3) the sums transferred to the Fund by the Minister of Finance under section 53 or 54 of the Financial Administration Act (chapter A-6.001);
- (4) the gifts and legacies expressly intended for the Fund, and other contributions paid into the Fund to further the achievement of its objects; and
- (5) the interest earned on bank balances in proportion to the sums referred to in paragraphs 1 and 4.

“11.7.3. Sums may be debited from the Fund to pay any costs relating to an investment and any expenditure required to carry out the activities referred to in section 11.7.1.”

ACT TO DISSOLVE THE SOCIÉTÉ DE GESTION INFORMATIQUE SOGIQUE

2. Section 6 of the Act to dissolve the Société de gestion informatique SOGIQUE (2012, chapter 9) is replaced by the following section:

“6. Section 520.3.1 of the Act respecting health services and social services (chapter S-4.2) is amended by adding the following paragraph at the end:

“The Minister may offer the same services as those referred to in the first paragraph to an agency, to an institution, or to another body or a person operating or working in the health and social services sector. In addition, the Minister may offer information asset design, production and supply services to such an agency, institution, body or person. The second and third paragraphs then apply, with the necessary modifications.””

TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS

3. Despite the second paragraph of section 1 of the Act to dissolve the Société de gestion informatique SOGIQUE (2012, chapter 9), the rights and obligations of the Société de gestion informatique SOGIQUE toward a financial institution are transferred to the Minister of Finance at the time the company is dissolved.

The transfer of the obligations to the Minister of Finance is considered to be an advance in the amount of those obligations to the Health and Social Services Information Resources Fund under section 54 of the Financial Administration Act (chapter A-6.001).

4. The debts of the Société de gestion informatique SOGIQUE that become debts of the Minister of Finance are debts referred to in section 10 of the Financial Administration Act.

5. The assets and liabilities relating to the rights and obligations of the Société de gestion informatique SOGIQUE, which are transferred to the Minister of Health and Social Services become assets and liabilities of the Health and Social Services Information Resources Fund.

6. The expenditure and investment estimates for the Health and Social Services Information Resources Fund set out in Schedule I are approved for the 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 fiscal years.

7. This Act comes into force on 1 January 2013.

SCHEDULE I
(Section 6)

HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES INFORMATION RESOURCES
FUND

EXPENDITURE AND INVESTMENT ESTIMATES

	2012-2013	2013-2014
Revenues	\$15,691,000	\$54,870,000
Expenditures	\$15,691,000	\$54,870,000
Surplus (Deficit) of the Fiscal Year	\$0	\$0
Ending Cumulative Surplus (Deficit)	\$6,194,660	\$6,194,660
Investments	\$148,272	\$2,550,000
Balance of Loans or Advances to (from) the Financing Fund and the General Fund	\$806,117	\$548,340
Total Loans or Advances	\$806,117	\$548,340

