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AM 1 s. 8.1 (18)

Bill 9

An Act to increase Québec's socioeconomic prosperity and adequately meet labour market needs through successful immigrant integration

Section 8.1

AMENDMENT:

Insert after section 8:

- **8.1.** Section 18 of the Act is replaced by the following section:
- "18. To settle permanently in Québec, foreign nationals must be selected by the Minister, unless they are covered by an exemption provided for by government regulation."

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AM 2 s. 9.1 (26)

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Section 9.1

AMENDMENT:

Add after section 9:

9.1. Section 26 of the Act is amended by replacing "is to include selection" by "may include selection factors and".

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AM 3 ss. 20.1 to 20.6

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Sections 20.1 to 20.6

AMENDMENT:

Insert after section 20:

- 20.1. The Minister invites, not later than (insert the date that is seven months after the date of assent to this Act), every foreign national whose application is terminated under section 20 to file an application for selection as a permanent resident under the Regular Skilled Worker Program if the foreign national
- (1) has submitted an expression of interest to the Minister not later than (insert the date that is six months after the date of assent to this Act); and
 - (2) is in either of the following situations:
- (a) the application terminated under section 20 was filed with the Minister by the foreign national under section 5.01 of the Regulation respecting the selection of foreign nationals (chapter I-0.2, r. 4);
- (b) the foreign national is staying in Québec on (insert the date of assent to this Act) and is, at that time, the holder of a study permit or work permit issued under the Immigration and Refugee Protection Regulations (SOR/2002-227).

The Minister enters the expression of interest referred to subparagraph 1 of the first paragraph in the expressions-of-interest bank referred to in section 43 of the Québec Immigration Act (chapter I-0.2.1).

20.2. The Minister invites the foreign nationals referred to in section 20.1 according to a ranking corresponding to the date on which their expression of interest was entered in the expressions-of-interest bank. The Minister determines

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the number of foreign nationals invited under each invitation, taking into account the Minister's processing capacity.

The Minister publishes the decision in any medium the Minister considers appropriate.

A decision made by the Minister under the first paragraph is not a regulation within the meaning of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1).

20.3. A foreign national who is invited by the Minister must, within 60 days after receiving the invitation, file an application for selection.

Failing that, the foreign national receives a refund in accordance with the second paragraph of section 20, he or she may not be invited again by the Minister under section 20.1 and his or her expression of interest becomes invalid.

If, before the expiry of the time limit specified in the first paragraph, the foreign national notifies the Minister that he or she does not wish to file an application for selection, the second paragraph applies, but the foreign national's expression of interest remains in the expressions-of-interest bank. The expression of interest remains valid until the end of the period specified in section 27 of the Québec Immigration Regulation (chapter I-0.2.1, r. 3).

- 20.4. For the purposes of the definition of "dependent child" in the Québec Immigration Regulation and for the purpose of awarding points in accordance with the Selection grid for the economic class in Schedule A to that Regulation, the age assigned to a foreign national who files an application for selection following an invitation made under section 20.1 and to his or her accompanying family members is the age they had at the time the application referred to in section 20 was filed.
- 20.5. The required fees paid by a foreign national who filed an application that is terminated under section 20 stand in lieu of the fees required, for the foreign national and the family members who were to accompany him or her, for an application he or she files following an invitation made under section 20.1, to the extent that no fees were refunded to him or her under the second paragraph of section 20.

However, the fees required under the Québec Immigration Act for the foreign national's accompanying family members who were not included in the application terminated under section 20 are payable.

20.6. The application of sections 20.1 to 20.5 with respect to a foreign national does not prevent the application, with respect to that foreign national, of Division II of Chapter V of the Québec Immigration Act.

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AM 4 s. 21

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Section 21

AMENDMENT:

Replace "section 19, which comes" by "sections 8.1 and 19, which come".

Adoption