- **4.** Schedule E is amended by replacing "99" in the "SELECTION" section, under "MAXIMUM" for the number of points for the applicant without spouse or de facto spouse by "107" and "112" for the number of points for the applicant with spouse or de facto spouse by "120".
- **5.** The amendment provided for in paragraph 2 of section 3 of this Regulation applies to the application for selection for permanent immigration filed under the entrepreneur program before 1 November 2020 for which no final decision had been rendered on that date.
- **6.** This Regulation comes into force on 31 March 2021.

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M.O., 2021

Order 2021-014 of the Minister of Health and Social Services dated 15 March 2021

An Act respecting prescription drug insurance (chapter A-29.01)

Regulation respecting exceptions to the prohibition against paying or reimbursing the price of a medication or supply covered by the basic prescription drug insurance plan

MINISTER OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES,

CONSIDERING paragraph 1 of section 80.2 of the Act respecting prescription drug insurance (chapter A-29.01), which provides that an accredited manufacturer or wholesaler may not, nor may an intermediary, pay or reimburse to a person covered by the basic plan all or part of the price of a medication or supply covered by the plan, except to the extent provided for by ministerial regulation, in particular for humanitarian reasons;

CONSIDERING that paragraph 1 of section 80.2 of the Act comes into force on the day of coming into force of the first regulation under paragraph 1 of that section 80.2, in accordance with paragraph 5 of section 84 of the Act to extend the powers of the Régie de l'assurance maladie du Québec, regulate commercial practices relating to prescription drugs and protect access to voluntary termination of pregnancy services (2016, chapter 28);

CONSIDERING that, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), a draft Regulation respecting exceptions to the prohibition against paying or reimbursing the price of a medication or supply covered by the basic prescription drug insurance plan was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 4 July 2018 with a notice that it could be made by the Minister on the expiry of 45 days following that publication;

CONSIDERING that the Regulation respecting exceptions to the prohibition against paying or reimbursing the price of a medication or supply covered by the basic prescription drug insurance plan is the first regulation under paragraph 1 of section 80.2 of the Act respecting prescription drug insurance;

CONSIDERING that it is expedient to make the Regulation respecting exceptions to the prohibition against paying or reimbursing the price of a medication or supply covered by the basic prescription drug insurance plan with amendment;

ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

The Regulation respecting exceptions to the prohibition against paying or reimbursing the price of a medication or supply covered by the basic prescription drug insurance plan is hereby made.

Québec, 15 March 2021

CHRISTIAN DUBÉ, Minister of Health and Social Services

Regulation respecting exceptions to the prohibition against paying or reimbursing the price of a medication or supply covered by the basic prescription drug insurance plan

An Act respecting prescription drug insurance (chapter A-29.01, s. 80.2, par. 1)

- **1.** An accredited manufacturer or wholesaler or an intermediary may pay or reimburse to a person covered by the basic prescription drug insurance plan all or part of the price of the following medications:
- (1) those entered on the list drawn up by the Minister under section 60 of the Act respecting prescription drug insurance (chapter A-29.01) for which the lowest price method does not apply;
- (2) those for which a generic or biosimilar version is not entered on the list drawn up by the Minister under section 60 of the Act.
- 2. Where a medication that was referred to in section 1 ceases to be referred to in that section, an accredited manufacturer or wholesaler or an intermediary may continue to pay or reimburse to a person covered by the basic prescription drug insurance plan all or part of the price of the medication for a maximum period of 30 days following the beginning of the application of the lowest

price method to the medication or the entry of a generic or biosimilar version on the list drawn up by the Minister under section 60 of the Act, as the case may be.

- **3.** An accredited manufacturer or wholesaler or an intermediary may continue to pay or reimburse to a person covered by the basic prescription drug insurance plan all or part of the price of a medication that is not referred to in section 1 if, before the coming into force of paragraph 1 of section 80.2 of the Act, that person has already received such a payment or reimbursement for that medication.
- **4.** This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette* officielle du Québec.

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M.O., 2021-01

Order number P-30.1.1-2021-01 of the Minister of Finance dated 16 March 2021

An Act respecting the Financial Assistance for Investment Program and establishing the Special Contracts and Financial Assistance for Investment Fund (chapter P-30.1.1)

Financial Assistance for Investment Program applicable to enterprises billed at Rate L and enterprises that are large power consumers served by off-grid systems

CONSIDERING the first paragraph of section 1 of the Act respecting the Financial Assistance for Investment Program and establishing the Special Contracts and Financial Assistance for Investment Fund (chapter P-30.1.1), which provides that the Minister of Finance administers the Financial Assistance for Investment Program, which assistance is applicable in the form of a partial payment of the electricity bill of a recipient enterprise that carries out an investment project which pursues the objectives determined by ministerial order;

CONSIDERING the second paragraph of section 1 of the Act, which provides that the classes of eligible enterprises and the eligibility requirements of a project are determined by ministerial order, and a ministerial order may pertain to one or more components of the Program according to the class of enterprises to which it applies;

CONSIDERING the first paragraph of section 2 of the Act, which provides that an enterprise or a group to which it belongs may, according to the terms determined by ministerial order, be entitled to more than one amount of financial assistance;

CONSIDERING the first paragraph of section 3 of the Act, which provides in particular that the amount of financial assistance may, in the cases and on the conditions prescribed by ministerial order, reach up to 50% of the eligible costs of the project;

CONSIDERING the second paragraph of section 3 of the Act, which provides in particular that the amount of financial assistance may not exceed 20% of the electricity costs for each billing period during the maximum period of application of the financial assistance, determined by ministerial order;

CONSIDERING the third paragraph of section 3 of the Act, which provides that the manner in which the financial assistance is applied is to be determined by ministerial order;

CONSIDERING the first paragraph of section 4 of the Act, which provides that the eligible costs of a project that are incurred on the dates set by ministerial order are the amounts giving entitlement to tax depreciation;

CONSIDERING section 5 of the Act, which provides that financial assistance is applicable only to electricity bills for a consumption period prior to the date determined by ministerial order;

CONSIDERING section 6 of the Act, which provides that to receive financial assistance, an enterprise must send an application to the Minister before the date and in the manner determined by ministerial order;

CONSIDERING the first paragraph of section 7 of the Act, which provides that the financial assistance is subject to a verification conducted in the manner determined by ministerial order;

CONSIDERING the second paragraph of section 7 of the Act, which provides in particular that where the financial assistance is revised or revoked in the course of a verification, it may be recovered in the manner determined by ministerial order;

CONSIDERING the second paragraph of section 8 of the Act, which provides in particular that if a decision grants or modifies financial assistance, it is also notified to the electric power distributor which must specify, in the manner determined by ministerial order, the amount of the assistance on the electricity bill it issues to the enterprise;

CONSIDERING section 12 of the Act, which provides that the ministerial orders provided for by the Act are not subject to the publication requirement set out in section 8 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1) or to the date of coming into force set out in section 17 of that Act;