

**Ministerial Order 2022-022 of the Minister of Health and Social Services dated
18 March 2022**

Public Health Act
(chapter S-2.2)

Ordering of measures to protect the health of the
population amid the COVID-19 pandemic situation

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THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES,

CONSIDERING section 118 of the Public Health Act (chapter S-2.2) which provides that the Government may declare a public health emergency in all or part of the territory of Québec where a serious threat to the health of the population, whether real or imminent, requires the immediate application of certain measures provided for in section 123 of the Act to protect the health of the population;

CONSIDERING Order in Council 177-2020 dated 13 March 2020 declaring a public health emergency throughout Québec for a period of 10 days;

CONSIDERING that the public health emergency has consistently been renewed since that date by various Orders in Council, including by Order in Council 272-2022 dated 16 March 2022;

CONSIDERING that Ministerial Orders 2021-054 dated 16 July 2021 and 2021-082 dated 17 November 2021 provide among other things for certain special measures to apply to by-elections and certain municipal procedures;

CONSIDERING that Order in Council 272-2022 dated 16 March 2022 empowers the Minister of Health and Social Services to take any of the measures provided for in subparagraphs 1 to 8 of the first paragraph of section 123 of the Public Health Act;

CONSIDERING that the current situation of the COVID-19 pandemic allows for the easing of certain measures set in place to protect the health of the population, while maintaining certain of the measures necessary to continue that protection;

ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

THAT Ministerial Order 2021-054 dated 16 July 2021 and the first paragraph of the operative part of Ministerial Order 2021-082 dated 17 November 2021 be revoked;

THAT, despite the preceding paragraph, the measures provided for in that Ministerial Order and that first paragraph remain applicable to every municipal by-election and every procedure provided for therein that is in progress, it being understood that when the procedure in progress concerns the registration of qualified voters, the rules apply only to that procedure and not to a potential referendum poll.

Québec, 18 2022

CHRISTIAN DUBÉ
Minister of Health and Social Services