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CHAPTER 44 OF THE ACTS OF 2005 amended 2017, c. 14; 2018, c. 1, Sch. A, s. 138

An Act Respecting Pre-primary Education

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Short title

1 This Act may be cited as the *Pre-primary Education Act.* 2005, c. 44, s. 1.

Interpretation

1A In this Act, "Minister" means the Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development. 2017, c. 14, s. 1.

Supervision of Act

2 The Minister has the general supervision and management of this Act. 2005, c. 44, s. 2; 2017, c. 14, s. 2.

Regulations 3

(1) The Governor in Council may make regulations

(a) establishing or respecting the establishment of a preprimary program for children less than six years of age;

(b) respecting the program;

(c) respecting how and by whom the program is to be delivered;

(d) respecting the funding of the program;

(e) prescribing the provisions of any enactment that apply to the program;

(ea) respecting agreements in relation to a pre-primary pro-

gram;

(f) respecting a pilot program;

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(g) defining any word or expression used but not defined in this Act;

(h) respecting any matter the Governor in Council considers necessary or advisable to carry out effectively the intent and purpose of this Act.

(2) Regulations made pursuant to clauses (1)(a) to (h) respecting a pilot program may be made retroactively effective on and after August 1, 2005.

(3) The exercise by the Governor in Council of the authority contained in subsection (1) is regulations within the meaning of the *Regulations Act*. 2005, c. 44, s. 3; 2017, c. 14, s. 3.

Agreement

3A The Minister may enter into an agreement with a person, agency, organization, association, institution, municipality or other body, including the Government of Canada, respecting the establishment and delivery of a pre-primary program or related services, including an agreement respecting contributions to the cost of delivering a pre-primary program or related services in the Province. 2017, c. 14, s. 4.

Education entity offering program

3B (1) Notwithstanding the *Education Act*, an education entity may, with the approval of the Minister and subject to the regulations, offer a pre-primary program.

(2) With the approval of the Minister and subject to the regulations, an education entity may enter into an agreement with a person, agency, organization, association, institution, municipality or other body respecting the delivery of a pre-primary program or related services. 2017, c. 14, s. 4; 2018, c. 1, Sch. A, s. 138.

Effective date

4 This Act has effect on and after August 1, 2005, upon the Governor in Council so ordering and declaring by proclamation. 2005, c. 44, s. 4.

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