

RREGOP : Modification of the indexation formula for the years 1982 to 1999

During the last negotiations, the union party legally committed to funding half the cost for the modification of the indexation formula for the years 1982 to 1999, as soon as the money in the employees’ fund would allow it.

Remember that the present indexation formula applicable to the RREGOP pension depends on the employee’s number of years of participation.

- The years of participation before July 1, 1982 are fully indexed according to the Consumer Price Index (CPI) determined by the Québec Pension Plan (QPP).
- The years of participation covering the period of July 1, 1982 to December 31, 1999 are indexed according to CPI- 3% formula.
- The years of participation as of January 1, 2000 are indexed according to the CPI- 3% formula, if the result gives zero, the pension is indexed by half of the cost of the CPI.

If the conditions for modifying the indexation formula applicable for the years 1982 to 1999 are met, the indexation formula will then be the same as that applicable for the years 2000 and following, that is, the consumer price index (CPI) - 3% with minimum 50% of the CPI.

To determine if the money in the employees’ fund is sufficient to modify the indexation formula, an actuarial evaluation is done by the CARRA actuaries.

According to the latest update of the actuarial evaluation, which was done recently, the present situation of the plan does not permit the modification of the indexation formula applicable for the years 1982 to 1999.

2nd symposium of the *États généraux de l’action et de l’analyse féministes*

“Retraçons notre histoire, préparons nos luttes” (Charting our history, preparing our struggles)



On May 25 and 26, more than 340 women took part in a reflection as part of the *États généraux de l’action et de l’analyse féministes*, to develop a shared vision of the challenges facing the Québec women’s movement.

The women gathered at the symposium “*Retraçons notre histoire, préparons nos luttes*” examined the subjects that the movement should tackle in the coming years in order to see the birth of a society inspired by feminist design.

Remember that the *États généraux de l’action et de l’analyse féministes* is a place for women, feminists and women’s groups to take stock of their victories and reflect on the challenges to be met together in the coming years.

For more information on the major work projects undertaken by the feminist movement, go to the FFQ website at www.ffq.qc.ca.



Source : FMSQ

The debate on a woman’s right to pro-choice is closed and should not be re-opened

On April 24, the Federation reiterated its concern with the new effort of a Conservative MP in Ottawa to re-open the debate on abortion. With the medical specialists of Québec (FMSQ), the Society of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of Canada (SOGC) and the *Association des obstétriciens et gynécologues du Québec* (AOGQ), beside the Federation, the FIQ launched an appeal to the Government of Canada to stop any new efforts to re-open the debate on abortion.

The Federation has no doubt that motion M-312 tabled by the Conservative MP is an effort to recriminalize abortion.

To read the release, go to the Federation website under the tab “*Salle de presse*”.

Special law

Contestation of the law in Superior Court

On May 25, student, community and environmental associations announced that two motions had been filed in Superior Court to contest the special law tabled by the Government of Québec.

Considering the urgent nature of the situation, a first motion to stay was filed to suspend the application of certain provisions in this special law. This was done while waiting for the hearing on the second motion for a declaratory judgment and to quash which covers the whole law, considered unconstitutional.

Remember that the Government of Québec passed Bill 78 under closure on Friday, May 18, a Bill which would allow students to receive the instruction provided by the postsecondary institutions they are attending, with the goal of resolving the student conflict, thus demonstrating its willingness to govern using repression rather than negotiation.