

DEFEATED
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Bill # 279
Financial Measures (2023) Act

CHANGES RECOMMENDED TO THE
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE ON BILLS

PAGE 4 - add immediately after Clause 16 the following Part:

PART III

EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT AND INCOME ASSISTANCE ACT

17 (1) Clause 21(1)(d) of Chapter 27 of the Acts of 2000, the *Employment Support and Income Assistance Act*, is amended by adding “subject to subsection (1A),” immediately before “prescribing” in the first line.

(2) Section 21 of Chapter 27 is further amended by adding immediately after subsection (1) the following subsection:

(1A) The maximum rate of assistance prescribed under clause (1)(d) for basic needs must be adjusted annually, commencing January 1, 2024, by applying the percentage change in the cost of living over the immediately preceding calendar year as measured by the change in the Consumer Price Index for Canada prepared by Statistics Canada.

Renumber and adjust cross-references accordingly.