

# Days may be numbered for \$7 daycare <sup>[1]</sup>

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## EXCERPTS

The Family Minister is promising to maintain the freeze on the price of 7\$ daycare, but only until the next election is called, and then there would be a little soul-searching.

Nicole Leger was responding to a working group she created which tabled its final report yesterday.

It calls for parents to pick-up a greater share of the real cost of the subsidized system.

The working group is recommending minimal but gradual increases to ease the burden on lower-income families, culminating with eventual indexation.

The group found that the share of daycare costs borne by parents has fallen to just 13% of the real value from 20% in 1997.

Their recommendations also come one day after an HEC report concluded that Quebec was living beyond it's means.

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