Regulations and other acts

Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 1169-2004, 15 December 2004

An Act respecting the Agence nationale d'encadrement du secteur financier (R.S.Q., c. A-7.03)

Amendment to Order in Council 45-2004 dated 21 January 2004

WHEREAS Order in Council 45-2004 dated 21 January 2004 fixes 1 January 2005 as the date of coming into force of sections 342, 343, 361, 378, 384, 390, 400, 403, 416, 418, 483, 484, 491, 727, 728 and 729 of the Act respecting the Agence nationale d'encadrement du secteur financier (R.S.Q., c. A-7.03);

WHEREAS it is expedient to postpone to 1 January 2006 the date of coming into force of those sections;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Finance:

THAT "1 January 2005" in the last paragraph of the operative part of Order in Council 45-2004 dated 21 January 2004 be replaced by "1 January 2006".

André Dicaire, Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

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Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 1180-2004, 15 December 2004

An Act respecting lotteries, publicity contests and amusement machines (R.S.Q., c. L-6)

Bingo licences and bingo hall manager's licences — Suspension of the issue

CONCERNING the suspension of the issue of bingo licences and bingo hall manager's licences

WHEREAS, under section 138 of the Act respecting lotteries, publicity contests and amusement machines (R.S.Q., c. L-6), the Minister of Public Security is responsible for the administration of that Act;

WHEREAS, under section 2 of the Act respecting the Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux (R.S.Q., c. R-6.1), the Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux is responsible for the carrying out of the Act respecting lotteries, publicity contests and amusement machines;

WHEREAS, under section 23 of the Act respecting the Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux and section 34 of the Act respecting lotteries, publicity contests and amusement machines, the board is the body responsible for issuing the licences necessary to conduct bingo as a lottery scheme, for establishing the conditions attached to the licences and monitoring their use, and for seeing to the protection and safety of the public;

WHEREAS, under the second paragraph of section 34 of the Act respecting lotteries, publicity contests and amusement machines, the Government may designate a local body as the body responsible for issuing bingo licences on a reserve or settlement determined by regulation where a Native community resides;

WHEREAS, under section 50.0.1 of the Act respecting lotteries, publicity contests and amusement machines, the board may, in plenary session, if the public interest so requires, suspend the issue of licences for all or part of the territory of Québec for the period, not exceeding one year, determined by the board;

WHEREAS, under the second paragraph of that section, a suspension measure may indicate the licence applications that are exempted from its application;

WHEREAS, under the third paragraph of that section, a suspension measure must be submitted to the Government for approval and shall take effect on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* or on any later date mentioned therein;

WHEREAS the board in plenary session on 6 December 2004 decided, in the public interest, to suspend for a period of one hundred eighty days, calculated from the date on which the suspension measures become effective, the issue of:

(1) bingo licences for all of the territory of Québec, except certain parts of the territory, and to exempt certain types of licence applications from the application of that suspension measure; and