
Regulations and other acts

Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 302-2005, 6 April 2005

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

Suspension of the issue of video lottery machine site operator'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 the 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 paragraph 1 of 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 issues video lottery machine site operator's licences;

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 a period not exceeding one year and may exempt from the application of that measure the licence applications indicated by the board;

WHEREAS, in its plenary session on 11 March 2005, the board decided, in the public interest, to suspend the issue of video lottery machine site operator's licences for all of the territory of Québec for a period of one year, calculated from the date on which the suspension measure becomes effective and to exempt from the application of that measure certain licence applications;

WHEREAS, under the third paragraph of section 50.0.1 of the Act respecting lotteries, publicity contests and amusement machines, 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 it is expedient to approve the suspension measure;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Public Security:

That the suspension measure concerning the issue of video lottery machine site operator's licences, taken by the Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux in its plenary session on 11 March 2005 and attached to this Order in Council, be approved.

ANDRÉ DICAIRE,
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Decision – Number 3 (2004-2005)

Suspension of the issue of video lottery machine site operator's licences for the 2005-2006 period

WHEREAS the work of the interdepartmental consultative committee on games of chance and money led to the tabling in the fall of 2002 of a government action plan on pathological gambling which provides for the concerted implementation of means of action to prevent, reduce and treat the problems related to games of chance and money, and requires various government departments and public bodies intervene according to their respective fields of responsibility;

WHEREAS studies on gaming have led to recommendations that, among other things, proposed seeking a balanced distribution of video lottery machines between the various regions in the province and between the urban zones, having regard to socio-economic conditions, locating gaming-related activities in areas where the social dynamic will not be undermined and restricting gaming availability in areas where the risk of social problems, including the costs associated with them, are high;

WHEREAS, on 6 May 2004, the Société des loteries du Québec tabled its 2004-2007 Development Plan which proposes a reduction in the number of video lottery machines and the number of sites operating them;

WHEREAS it is in the public interest that the various departments and public bodies terminate their work concerning the determination and implementation of the

most appropriate measures aimed at minimizing the social impact of games of chance and money and protecting vulnerable persons;

WHEREAS the board is the body responsible for regulating video lottery machines and issuing licences for such machines;

WHEREAS, under section 50.0.1 of the Act respecting lotteries, publicity contests and amusement machines (R.S.Q., c. L-6), 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 a suspension measure taken under that section 50.0.1 applies to licence applications filed before the measure becomes effective and in respect of which the board has not made a decision;

WHEREAS a suspension measure may indicate the licence applications that are exempted from its application;

WHEREAS, since 15 March 2002, such a measure suspending the issue of video lottery machine site operator's licences has been taken each year for a period of one year and for all of the territory of Québec, the last measure being effective from 15 March 2004 to 14 March 2005;

WHEREAS 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 specified in the measure;

WHEREAS it is necessary, in order to pursue the desired objectives of preventing and reducing the negative effects associated with games of chance and money and of protecting vulnerable persons, for the board to once again suspend the issue of video lottery machine site operator's licences so as to prevent an increase in gaming availability;

THEREFORE, the board, meeting in plenary session on 11 March 2005, decided to suspend the issue of video lottery machine site operator's licences for a period of one year, calculated from the effective date of this suspension measure, for all of the territory of Québec.

The suspension measure applies to video lottery machine site operator's licence applications received from the date on which the suspension measure becomes effective and to those received before that date and in respect of which the board has not made a decision.

The suspension measure shall not prevent the board from renewing a site operator's licence.

The suspension measure shall not prevent the board from issuing a new site operator's licence in respect of an establishment for which a licence is in force, to the extent that such issuance does not bring together sites or increase the number of sites where video lottery machines are operated, when the new licence is applied for

(1) by reason of the death of the holder of the licence, by the liquidator of the succession, the legatee by particular title or heir of the holder of the licence or by a person designated by them;

(2) by a trustee, a liquidator, a sequestrator or a trustee in bankruptcy who is temporarily administering the establishment;

(3) by reason of the alienation of the establishment, of the leasing or retaking of possession following the exercise of a right to take in payment or the carrying out of a similar agreement; or

(4) by the holder if the holder is required to rearrange or change the site being operated under the liquor permit to which the licence is attached.

FRANÇOIS CÔTÉ,
Secretary of the board

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Pay Equity Act
(R.S.Q., c. E-12.001)

Pay equity in enterprises where there are no predominantly male job classes

Regulation respecting pay equity in enterprises where there are no predominantly male job classes

WHEREAS, under subparagraphs 1 and 2 of the first paragraph of section 114 of the Pay Equity Act (R.S.Q., c. E-12.001), the Commission de l'équité salariale may make regulations

(1) for the purposes of the determination of adjustments in compensation in an enterprise employing fewer than 50 employees where there are no predominantly