**26.** Sections 170 to 170.2 are replaced by the following:

**"170.** Subject to sections 173 to 175, the amount of the reimbursement of fees is the product obtained by multiplying the monthly fees applicable to the road vehicle concerned by the number of calendar months, less two, from the date of the application for reimbursement or, in the cases referred to in section 169, from the date of the event or the date of the new registration, to the date of expiry of the period for which the fees had been paid.

**170.1.** The amount of the reimbursement of the additional duty in respect of a road vehicle in the category of road vehicles referred to in section 2.1 is the product obtained by multiplying the additional monthly duty applicable to the road vehicle concerned by the number of calendar months, less two, from the date of the application for reimbursement or, in the cases referred to in section 169, from the date of the event or the date of the new registration, to the date of expiry of the period for which the additional duty had been paid.

**170.2.** The amount of the reimbursement of the additional duty in respect of a road vehicle in the category of road vehicles referred to in the first paragraph of section 2.1.1 is the product obtained by multiplying the additional monthly duty applicable to the road vehicle concerned by the number of calendar months, less two, from the date of the application for reimbursement or, in the cases referred to in section 169, from the date of the event or the date of the new registration, to the date of expiry of the period for which the additional duty had been paid.".

**27.** Section 176 is replaced by the following:

"**176.** The amount of the reimbursement of the contribution of motorists to public transit is the product obtained by multiplying the monthly contribution of \$2.50 by the number of calendar months, less two, from the date of the event or the date of the new registration, to the date of expiry of the period for which the contribution of motorists to public transit had been paid.".

**28.** This Regulation comes into force on 1 January 2008.

## **Draft Regulation**

Highway Safety Code (R.S.Q., c. C-24.2)

## Taxi transportation — Amendments

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), that the Regulation to amend the Taxi Transportation Regulation, appearing below, may be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The draft Regulation proposes to allow any amount equal to or greater than \$48 to be paid by direct debit in 6 or 12 instalments if the amount is

(1) for the annual fee to obtain or maintain a taxi driver's permit; or

(2) for the annual fee to renew a taxi owner's permit.

The measure proposed in the draft Regulation has no negative impact on businesses, including small and medium-sized businesses and it will allow taxi drivers and owners to stagger the costs to obtain, renew or maintain the permits they require to carry on their activities.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Bernard Drolet, Société de l'assurance automobile du Québec, 333, boulevard Jean-Lesage, C-3-21, C. P. 19600, Québec (Québec) G1K 8J6; telephone: 418 528-3225.

Any interested person having comments to make on the matter is asked to send them in writing, before the expiry of the 45-day period, to the Minister of Transport and Minister responsible for the Capitale-Nationale region, 700, boulevard René-Lévesque Est, 29<sup>e</sup> étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 5H1.

MICHEL DESPRÉS, Minister of Transport and Minister responsible for the Capitale-Nationale region

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## **Regulation to amend the Taxi Transportation Regulation**\*

An Act respecting transportation services by taxi (R.S.Q., c. S-6.01, s. 88, 1st par., subpar. 2)

**I**• The Taxi Transportation Regulation is amended in section 4 by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"If the fee to obtain or replace a taxi driver's permit and the amounts required under the Highway Safety Code (R.S.Q., c. C-24.2) for licences to drive road vehicles paid to the Société at the same time total \$48 or more, the person may pay the total amount by direct debit within 12 months of the issue of the taxi driver's permit or within the period between the date of issue and the date of expiry determined in section 16, whichever is shorter, on the conditions set out in sections 73.6, 73.7, 73.9 and 73.11 of the Regulation respecting licences made by Order in Council 1421-91 dated 16 October 1991, with

(1) the reference to "driver's licence" in section 73.9 replaced by "taxi driver's permit"; and

(2) the reference to "section 73.5" in sections 73.7 and 73.11 replaced by "section 16 of the Taxi Transportation Regulation".".

**2.** The following is added at the end of section 13:

"If the Société de l'assurance automobile du Québec is designated under section 16 of the Act respecting transportation services by taxi to collect the fee payable to renew a taxi owner's permit, the permit holder may pay the fee by direct debit by choosing one of the schedules established in section 25.2 of the Regulation respecting road vehicle registration made by Order in Council 1420-91 dated 16 October 1991, without the reference to "determined in sections 19 and 21 to 24" in that section.

A permit holder who elects to pay by direct debit is subject to the conditions set out in sections 25.1 and 25.7 of the Regulation respecting road vehicle registration,

(1) with the reference to "road vehicle" in sections 25.1 and 25.7 replaced by "taxi";

(2) without reference to "determined in sections 19 and 21 to 24" in section 25.7; and

(3) with the reference to "the owner of a road vehicle is prohibited from operating the vehicle or from putting it back into operation" in paragraph 13 of section 25.7 replaced by "the taxi owner's permit is revoked".".

**3.** Section 15 is amended by adding the following paragraphs at the end:

"If the fee to renew a taxi driver's permit and the amounts required for licences to drive road vehicles paid to the Société at the same time total \$48 or more, the person may pay the total amount by direct debit within 12 months of the issue of the taxi driver's permit by choosing one of the schedules established in section 73.7 of the Regulation respecting licences, with the reference to "section 73.5" in that section replaced by "section 16 of the Taxi Transportation Regulation".

A person who elects to pay by direct debit is subject to the conditions set out in sections 73.6 and 73.11 of the Regulation respecting licences.".

**4.** Section 16 is replaced by the following:

**"16.** The due date for renewal of a taxi driver's permit is the permit holder's birthday falling in an evennumbered year if the permit holder was born in an evennumbered year, or falling in an odd-numbered year if the permit holder was born in an odd-numbered year. The permit may be renewed within the three-month period ending on that date.

Despite the first paragraph, if, on the issue of a permit, no more than three months remain before the permit holder's birthday, the renewal due date is postponed for 24 months.".

**5.** This Regulation comes into force on 1 January 2008, except sections 3 and 4, which come into force on 1 October 2007.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>\*</sup> The Taxi Transportation Regulation, made by Order in Council 690-2002 dated 5 June 2002 (2002, *G.O.* 2, 2602), was last amended by the regulation made by Order in Council 363-2003 dated 5 March 2003 (2003, *G.O.* 2, 1186). For previous amendments, refer to the *Tableau des modifications et Index sommaire*, Québec Official Publisher, 2006, updated to 1 April 2006.