

## Draft Regulations

### Draft Regulation

Consumer Protection Act  
(R.S.Q., c. P-40.1)

#### Application of rules of conduct to used automobile merchants — Amendment

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 Order in council respecting the application of rules of conduct to used automobile merchants (R.S.Q., c. P-40.1, r. 4), appearing below, may be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The Order in Council was made under section 315.1 of the Consumer Protection Act to extend to all used automobile merchants of Québec the provisions of a voluntary undertaking agreed to by several merchants. The voluntary undertaking contains rules of conduct intended to promote honesty and competence in the used automobile trade.

The draft Regulation revokes section 14 of the Schedule to the Order in Council prohibiting used automobile merchants from disclosing, elsewhere than at the merchant's establishment, the last 6 digits of the vehicle identification number (VIN) of vehicles offered for sale or long-term lease.

The purpose of section 14 is to restrict the disclosure of VINs, which may be used by car thieves to conceal stolen vehicles (cloning of vehicles). It appears that the restriction is not an effective obstacle to the cloning of vehicles because there are many other ways to obtain VINs.

On the other hand, the VIN allows a consumer to have access to very useful information when seeking a used automobile. By prohibiting merchants from disclosing, elsewhere than at their establishment, the entire VIN, the provision currently limits the consumer's ability to have access to that information.

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Any person wishing to comment on the draft Regulation is requested to submit written comments within the 45-day period to the Minister of Justice, 1200, route de l'Église, Sainte-Foy (Québec) G1V 4M1.

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### Regulation to amend the Order in council respecting the application of rules of conduct to used automobile merchants

Consumer Protection Act  
(R.S.Q., c. P-40.1, s. 315.1)

**1.** The Order in council respecting the application of rules of conduct to used automobile merchants (c. P-40.1, r. 4) is amended by revoking section 14 of the Schedule "PROVISIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH BY ALL USED AUTOMOBILE MERCHANTS".

**2.** This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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### Draft Regulation

Financial Administration Act  
(R.S.Q., c. A-6.001)

Health Insurance Act  
(R.S.Q., c. A-29)

#### Forms and statements of fees under the Health Insurance Act — Fee adjustments — Amendment

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 Regulation respecting forms and statements of fees under the Health Insurance Act,