Regulations and other Acts

M.O., 2017

Order 2017-10 of the Minister of Transport, Sustainable Mobility and Transport Electrification dated 12 October 2017

An Act respecting transportation services by taxi (chapter S-6.01, s. 89.1)

Pilot project concerning remunerated passenger transportation services requested exclusively using a mobile application

THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT, SUSTAINABLE MOBILITY AND TRANSPORT ELECTRIFICATION,

CONSIDERING the first paragraph of section 89.1 of the Act respecting transportation services by taxi (chapter S-6.01), which provides that the Minister of Transport, Sustainable Mobility and Transport Electrification may, by order, authorize pilot projects designed to experiment or innovate in the area of taxi transportation services or to study, improve or define standards applicable to that area;

CONSIDERING the first paragraph of section 89.1 of the Act, which provides that the Minister may also, within the scope of such pilot projects, authorize any person or body that is a holder of a taxi owner's permit or a taxi transportation service intermediary's permit issued under the Act or a business partner of such a holder to offer or provide taxi transportation services in compliance with standards and rules prescribed by the Minister that differ from those set out in the Act and its regulations or any other Act and regulation under the Minister's administration, for the purpose of increasing the safety of users, improving the quality of the services offered, ensuring that the provision of transportation services by taxi is managed in a manner that takes into account the needs of the public or fostering the development of the taxi transportation services industry, all in compliance with the principle of equity toward holders operating under any permit at the time the pilot project is implemented, as well as the applicable privacy protection rules;

CONSIDERING that, by Order 2016-16 dated 30 September 2016, the Minister authorized the Pilot project concerning remunerated passenger transportation services requested exclusively using a mobile application, which was amended by Order 2017-09;

CONSIDERING that the Minister may, at any time, amend a pilot project;

CONSIDERING the fourth paragraph of section 89.1 of the Act, which provides that a pilot project made under the section is not subject to the publication requirement set out in section 8 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1);

CONSIDERING that the terms and conditions of the Pilot project were published on the website of the Ministère des Transports, de la Mobilité durable et de l'Électrification des transports and the Commission des transports du Québec on 22 September 2017;

CONSIDERING that it is expedient to amend the Pilot project;

CONSIDERING that, under section 18 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), a regulation may come into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* or between that date and the fifteenth day following the date of its publication as provided for in section 17 of that Act, where the authority making it is of the opinion that the urgency of the situation requires it;

CONSIDERING that, in the opinion of the Minister, the urgency due to the following circumstances justifies the coming into force on 15 October 2017:

—it is expedient that the transitional provisions in this Order come into force on the same date as the date set for Order 2017-09. The purpose of those provisions is to prescribe the same obligations for all partners-drivers that are registered on 14 October 2017 with a holder of a taxi transportation service intermediary's permit referred to in the Pilot project, in matters of verification of judicial record by the police forces of Québec;

ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

1. Section 47 is amended by replacing "9 September 2016" by "14 October 2017".

2. This Order comes into force on 15 October 2017.

ANDRÉ FORTIN, Minister of Transport, Sustainable Mobility and Transport Electrification

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