Regulations and other Acts

M.O., 2019

Order number 2019-15 of the Minister of Transport dated 15 July 2019

Highway Safety Code (chapter C-24.2)

Amendment of the Order concerning the suspension of the prohibition from driving a road vehicle on bridge P-10942 of autoroute 30 subject to a toll under the Act respecting transport infrastructure partnerships unless the toll and fees are paid in accordance with that Act

THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT,

CONSIDERING section 633.2 of the Highway Safety Code (chapter C-24.2), which provides that the Minister of Transport may, by order and after consultation with the Société de l'assurance automobile du Québec, suspend the application of a provision of the Code or the regulations for the period specified by the Minister if the Minister considers that it is in the interest of the public and is not likely to compromise highway safety;

CONSIDERING that that section provides that the publication requirement set out in section 8 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1) does not apply to an order made under section 633.2;

CONSIDERING section 18 of the Regulations Act, which provides that a regulation may come into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* where the authority making it is of the opinion that the urgency of the situation requires it, and the reason justifying such coming into force must be published with the regulation;

CONSIDERING that the Minister of Transport made Order number 2019-10 dated 10 June 2019 (2019, *G.O. 2*, 839B) concerning the suspension of the prohibition from driving a road vehicle on bridge P-10942 of autoroute 30 subject to a toll under the Act respecting transport infrastructure partnerships unless the toll and fees are paid in accordance with that Act;

CONSIDERING that the purpose of that Order is to encourage drivers of certain vehicles to use bridge P-10942 of autoroute 30, by suspending at certain times the prohibition from driving a road vehicle on that bridge without having paid the toll and fees in accordance with the Act

respecting transport infrastructure partnerships (chapter P-9.001), in order to reduce traffic disturbances caused by the work on the Honoré-Mercier bridge and increase traffic flow on the bridge;

CONSIDERING that the work on the Honoré-Mercier bridge ended on 13 July 2019;

CONSIDERING that the suspension of the prohibition provided for in section 417.2 of the Highway Safety Code, that is, the prohibition from driving with a road vehicle on a public road subject to a toll under the Act respecting transport infrastructure partnerships unless the toll and fees are paid in accordance with that Act, is an exceptional measure that was deemed to be in the interest of the public by the Minister of Transport for the reasons mentioned above and the reasons justifying such a decision no longer exist;

CONSIDERING that the Société de l'assurance automobile du Québec was consulted on the end of the suspension of that prohibition;

CONSIDERING that the Minister of Transport is of the opinion that the urgency is due to the following circumstances:

—it is required to restore, as of 16 July 2019, the prohibition provided for in section 417.2 of the Highway Safety Code since the reason of public interest in support of the initial decision no longer exists;

ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. Section 1 of Order number 2019-10 of the Minister of Transport dated 10 June 2019 (2019, G.O. 2, 839B) concerning the suspension of the prohibition from driving a road vehicle on bridge P-10942 of autoroute 30 subject to a toll under the Act respecting transport infrastructure partnerships unless the toll and fees are paid in accordance with that Act is amended by replacing "20 July" in the portion before paragraph 1 by "15 July".
 - 2. This Order comes into force on 16 July 2019.

Québec, 15 July 2019

FRANÇOIS BONNARDEL, *Minister of Transport*

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