270. Procedure — Except as otherwise provided in this chapter of these Standing Orders, the general rules pertaining to bills shall apply to private bills.

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Order number 2020-23 of the Minister of Transport dated 18 December 2020

Highway Safety Code (chapter C-24.2)

> Suspension of the application of a condition for exemption from registration of snowmobiles belonging to persons not resident in Québec

THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT,

CONSIDERING paragraph 4 of section 14 of the Regulation respecting road vehicle registration (chapter C-24.2, r. 29), which provides that snowmobiles with a net weight of 450 kg or less belonging to persons not resident in Québec provided that such snowmobiles are registered in accordance with the laws governing the place of residence or business of their owner, that they bear valid licence plates of that place, that proof of such registration is provided at the request of the Société de l'assurance automobile du Québec or of a peace officer and that the exemption granted under the paragraph is granted by the government of the said place to a resident of Québec, are exempt from registration;

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, 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 section 633.2 of the Code also provides that the Minister may prescribe any rule, applicable when using the exemption, that ensures an equivalent level of safety in the Minister's opinion;

CONSIDERING that section 633.2 of the Code 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 that the rules for the registration of snowmobiles may be different in certain North-American jurisdictions, in particular with respect to the issue of licence plates;

CONSIDERING that it is appropriate to suspend the application of the condition set out in paragraph 4 of section 14 of the Regulation respecting road vehicle registration, which provides that snowmobiles bear valid licence plates of the place where they are registered, to the extent that the valid registration number of that place appears on the snowmobiles;

CONSIDERING that the Minister of Transport considers that the suspension of the application of that condition is in the interest of the public and is not likely to compromise highway safety;

CONSIDERING that the Société de l'assurance automobile du Québec has been consulted;

ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The application of the condition set out in paragraph 4 of section 14 of the Regulation respecting road vehicle registration (chapter C-24.2, r. 29), which provides that snowmobiles bear valid licence plates of the place where they are registered, to the extent that the valid registration number of that place appears on the snowmobiles, be suspended.

2. This Order comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette* officielle du Québec and ceases to have effect on 31 December 2025.

Québec, 18 December 2020

FRANÇOIS BONNARDEL, Minister of Transport

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