Regulations and other Acts

M.O., 2023

Order 2023-29 of the Minister of Transport and Sustainable Mobility dated 1 December 2023

Highway Safety Code (chapter C-24.2, s. 633.2)

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 AND SUSTAINABLE MOBILITY.

Considering section 417.2 of the Highway Safety Code (chapter C-24.2), which provides that it is prohibited to drive a road vehicle on a public road subject to a toll under the Act respecting transport infrastructure partnerships (chapter P-9.001) unless the toll and fees are paid in accordance with that Act;

Considering section 633.2 of the Highway Safety Code (chapter C-24.2), which provides that the Minister of Transport and Sustainable Mobility 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 section provides that the publication requirement set out in section 8 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1) does not apply to such an order;

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 that has made 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 it is appropriate to extend 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 Minister considers that the suspension 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;

CONSIDERING that the Minister of Transport and Sustainable Mobility is of the opinion that there is an urgent situation owing to the following circumstances:

- work must be carried out on the Île-aux-Tourtes bridge requiring its urgent partial closure;
- —the mobility of persons and goods during the closure must be ensured while promoting traffic flow and mitigating the impact of road congestion.

ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The prohibition provided for in section 417.2 of the Highway Safety Code (chapter C-24.2) is suspended for a person who drives a road vehicle on bridge P-10942 of autoroute 30 until the date of reopening of Île-aux-Tourtes bridge to road vehicle traffic on at least three lanes.
- **2.** This Order comes into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* and ceases to have effect on the date referred to in section 1.

Québec, 1 December 2023

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