

Gouvernement du Québec

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Financing of the Secrétariat du bingo for the period from 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025

WHEREAS, under section 50.0.3 of the Act respecting lotteries and amusement machines (chapter L-6), the Government may require an annual contribution from bingo lottery scheme licence holders for the purpose of financing the Secrétariat du bingo;

WHEREAS, under section 50.0.3 of the Act, the percentage of the contribution and the collection procedure are to be determined by the Government;

WHEREAS, for the purpose of financing the Secrétariat du bingo, it is expedient to require an annual contribution from bingo lottery scheme licence holders for the period from 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025, and to determine the percentage of the contribution and the collection procedure;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Public Security :

THAT, for the purpose of financing the Secrétariat du bingo, the annual contribution payable by a bingo lottery scheme licence holder, except the holder of a bingo hall manager's licence, for the period from 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025, be based on a percentage of 15% applied to the annual duties payable under the Regulation respecting bingo (chapter L-6, r. 4) for the issue or maintenance of a bingo lottery scheme licence;

THAT, for the purpose of financing the Secrétariat du bingo, the annual contribution payable by a holder of a bingo hall manager's licence, for the period from 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025, be based on a percentage of 15% applied to the total duties payable under the Regulation respecting bingo for the issue or maintenance of a bingo hall manager's licence for the period from 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024;

THAT the collection procedure for the annual contribution for the period from 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025 be as follows :

THAT the annual contribution must be paid concurrently with the annual duties payable for the issue or maintenance of a bingo lottery scheme licence, except a bingo hall manager's licence;

THAT the annual contribution of a holder of a bingo hall manager's licence must be paid within 60 days following the publication of this Order in Council in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*;

THAT the annual contribution is payable to the Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux;

THAT the Régie sends the Secrétariat du bingo, not later than the 30th day following the date of publication of this Order in Council in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* and thereafter every other month, a status report including a list of bingo lottery scheme licence holders whose licences were issued during the period concerned and the amount of each licence holder's annual contribution, with an indication whether or not that amount has been paid;

THAT the Régie makes bank transfers to the Secrétariat and sends it the status report at the same frequency;

THAT where a bingo lottery scheme licence holder fails to pay the annual contribution, the Secrétariat may send the licence holder, by registered mail, a notice informing the licence holder of the failure and of the fact that, on the expiry of 30 days following the sending of the notice, proceedings for recovery may be instituted without further notice or delay;

THAT licence holders may not claim reimbursement for part or all of their annual contribution, except if an error was made in calculating the annual contribution.

DOMINIQUE SAVOIE

Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

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