



NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF QUÉBEC

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Bill 897

**An Act to amend the Highway Safety
Code to provide for the mandatory
issue of notices of payment to owners
of registered road vehicles
and to holders of certain licences**

Introduction

**Introduced by
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Member for Nelligan**

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

This bill amends the Highway Safety Code to provide that the Société de l'assurance automobile du Québec must issue a notice of payment to the owner of a registered road vehicle 30 days before the amounts determined by regulation to retain the right to drive the vehicle become due.

The bill also provides that the Société de l'assurance automobile du Québec must issue a notice of payment to the holder of a driver's licence 30 days before the date on which payment of the amounts determined by regulation to retain the right to drive a road vehicle become due.

These two notices must be in the form and contain the particulars determined by the Société de l'assurance automobile du Québec.

Lastly, the bill provides that no owner of a registered road vehicle or holder of a driver's licence may be convicted of an offence under section 59 or under section 141 of the Highway Safety Code if he or she proves that the Société de l'assurance automobile du Québec failed to send any of the notices newly introduced by this bill.

LEGISLATION AMENDED BY THIS BILL:

- Highway Safety Code (chapter C-24.2).

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AN ACT TO AMEND THE HIGHWAY SAFETY CODE TO PROVIDE FOR THE MANDATORY ISSUE OF NOTICES OF PAYMENT TO OWNERS OF REGISTERED ROAD VEHICLES AND TO HOLDERS OF CERTAIN LICENCES

THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

HIGHWAY SAFETY CODE

1. Section 31.1 of the Highway Safety Code (chapter C-24.2) is amended by inserting the following paragraphs after the first paragraph:

“The Société shall issue a notice of payment to the owner 30 days before the date on which payment of the amounts referred to in the first paragraph becomes due under the regulations.

The notice must be in the form and contain the particulars determined by the Société.”

2. Section 93.1 of the Code is amended by inserting the following paragraphs after the third paragraph:

“The Société shall issue, 30 days before the date on which payment of the amounts referred to in the first paragraph becomes due under the regulations, a notice of payment to the holder of a driver’s licence or of a restricted licence issued under section 76.1.1.

The notice must be in the form and contain the particulars determined by the Société.”

3. The Code is amended by inserting the following section after section 596.4:

“596.5. No owner of a registered road vehicle or holder of a driver’s licence or of a restricted driver’s licence issued under section 76.1.1 may be convicted of an offence under section 59 or under section 141 if it is proven that the Société failed to send the notice provided for in section 31.1 or that provided for in 93.1.”

FINAL PROVISION

4. This Act comes into force on *(insert the date of assent to this Act)*.

