

CHAP. 17

An Act respecting the Quebec License Law, and the License Commission of the Province of Quebec.

[Assented to 21st December, 1912]

WHEREAS certain doubts have arisen as to the bearing upon Preamble. the provisions of articles 925 and 939 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, of paragraph 1, of article 943 of the said Revised Statutes as replaced by section 1 of the act 2 George V, chapter 12; and whereas it is expedient that the delay within which the License Commission of the Province of Quebec, must make its report, should be extended;

Therefore His Majesty with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of Quebec, enacts as follows:

1. Nothing contained in paragraph 1 of article 943 of the Saving Revised Statutes, 1909, as replaced by section 1 of the act 2 clause. George V, chapter 12, shall be construed as taking away any of the rights or powers conferred upon any person or persons or upon any body of persons by articles 925 and 939 of the said Statutes.

2. The delay fixed by section 6 of the act 2 George V, chap- Delay to ter 12, for the submission to the Lieutenant-Governor in Coun- make certain cil of the report of the License Commission of the Province of report Quebec appointed by the said act, is extended to the first day extended. of September, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen."

3. This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction. Coming into force.

CHAP. 18

An Act to amend the Act imposing taxes upon Commercial Corporations, Companies, Partnerships, Associations, Firms, and Persons.

[Assented to 21st December, 1912]

HIS MAJESTY, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of Quebec, enacts as follows:

1. Paragraphs *a* and *b* of division 1 of article 1347 of the R. S. 1347. Revised Statutes, 1909, are replaced by the following: am.

a. One-tenth of one per cent upon the amount of the paid up capital of the company;

b. An additional tax of thirty dollars for each place of business, factory or workshop in the cities of Montreal and Quebec, and of fifteen dollars for each place of business, factory or workshop in every other place.

Coming into
force.

2. This act shall come into force on the first juridical day of July 1913.

CHAP. 19

An Act to amend the Revised Statutes, 1909, respecting motor vehicles.

[Assented to 21st December, 1912]

HIS MAJESTY, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of Quebec, enacts as follows:

R. S., 1389,
am.

1. Article 1389 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, as amended by the act 1 George V, (2nd session) chapter 16, section 1, is amended by adding thereto the following paragraph:

Reduction of
license fee.

“ Any person purchasing a motor vehicle after the first day of September in any license year shall be required to pay one half only of the registration fee fixed by law for the said license year.”

Id., 1405, am.

2. Article 1405 of the said statutes, as amended by the act 1 George V, (2nd session), chapter 16, section 7, is further amended by replacing the words: “ not less than twenty dollars nor more than one hundred dollars” in the fifth and sixth lines, by the words: “ of not more than one hundred dollars.”

Id., 1406, am.

3. Article 1406 of the said statutes is replaced by the following:

Responsi-
bility of owner
of motor
vehicle.

“ **1406.** 1. The owner of a motor vehicle shall be held responsible for any violation of this section or of any regulation made thereunder by order of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

Burden of
proof.

2. Whenever loss or damage is sustained by any person by reason of a motor vehicle on a highway, the burden of proof that such loss or damage did not arise through the negligence or improper conduct of the owner or driver of such motor vehicle shall be upon the owner or driver.

Joint respon-
sibility of
employer
and driver.

3. If the employer of a person driving a motor vehicle for hire, pay or gain, is present in the motor vehicle at the time of the committing of any offence against this section or any regulations made thereunder, such employer as well as the driver shall be