

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

liable to conviction for such offence; and it shall be in the discretion of the Court to impose the penalty either upon one or the other or upon both according to the circumstances of the case."

4. Article 1410 of the said statutes is amended by adding to Id., 1410 the last paragraph the following: "but the advocate's fee shall ^{am.} be \$5.00 when no witnesses are examined and ten dollars when witnesses are examined."

5. Article 1417 of the said statutes, is amended by replacing Id., 1417, the words: "showing the registered number of the vehicle in ^{am.} separate Arabic numerals, not less than one inch in height and each stroke to be not less than one-quarter of an inch in width, and also" in the seventh, eighth, ninth and tenth lines by the words: "and also a lamp showing."

6. Article 1418 of the said statutes is amended by adding Id., 1418, thereto the following paragraph: ^{am.}

"The council of a city, town, or other municipality may ^{Special high-} however by by-law, set apart any highway or any part thereof, ^{way for} on which motor vehicles may be driven at a greater rate of speed, ^{testing pur-} for the purpose of testing the same, and may pass by-laws ^{poses.} for regulating and governing the use of any such highway or part thereof for such purpose."

7. Article 1419 of the said statutes is amended by adding Id. 1419, ^{am.} thereto the following paragraph:

"No action shall be taken against an authorized officer of ^{Action} the Government for exceeding the speed limit while in the ^{denied in} execution of his duty." ^{certain case.}

8. Article 1420 of the said statutes is amended: Id., 1420,

a. By adding, after the word "angle", in the first line, the ^{am.} words "turn, or curve, or a";

b. By replacing the word "angle" in the fourth line, by the words "angle, turn or curve."

9. The following articles are added after article 1420 of the Id., 1420a, ^{1420b.added.} said statutes:

"**1420a.** Every motor vehicle shall be provided with a ^{Muffler.} muffler so constructed as to prevent any unnecessary, intense or prolonged noise in the operation or management of said motor vehicle or the machinery in connection therewith, and the said muffler shall not be cut out, or put out of operation, in any park or public grounds.

1420b. When a motor vehicle meets or overtakes a street car ^{Stoppage of} which is stationary for the purpose of taking on or discharging ^{motor}

vehicle in certain case. passengers, the motor vehicle shall not pass the car on the side on which passengers get on or off until the car has started and any passengers who have alighted shall have reached the side of the street."

Id., 1423,
am.

10. Article 1423 of the said statutes is amended by replacing the words : " license or permit to use the public highway " in the fourth line, by the words "license, permit or tax with respect to the keeping of such motor vehicle or the using of it on the public highways ".

Coming into
force.

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

C H A P. 20

An Act to amend the Revised Statutes, 1909, respecting the Dairy Association of the Province of Quebec.

[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. 1963,
am.

1. Article 1963 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, is amended by replacing the words "one hundred" in the third line of the last paragraph by the words "one hundred and fifty."

Coming into
force.

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

C H A P. 21

An Act to amend the Revised Statutes, 1909, respecting roads.

[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;

Short title,
&c.

1. This act may be cited as "The Good Roads Act, 1912" and shall apply even to municipalities which have not availed themselves of the provisions of article 535 of the Municipal Code.