Ontario pulls the plug on Drive Clean program

Ontario eliminated the \$30 Drive Clean test fee for most cars and other light-duty vehicles April 1.

Environment Minister Glen Murray made the announcement Friday (March 31).

Other changes include:

- · eliminating testing requirements for light-duty vehicles when re-sold;
- prohibiting back-to-back conditional passes for vehicles that fail testing;
- · requiring that only fees paid for direct emission system repairs count toward the

\$450 repair cost limit required for a conditional pass.

Drivers whose vehicles do not pass the regular Drive Clean test would still have to pay for any retest.

Owners of heavy-duty vehicles, such as large trucks, motorhomes and buses, will continue to pay for Drive Clean tests and still require an emissions test if the vehicle is resold.

Drivers can check the program website to see if they are eligible for free emissions

Eelebrate our 150th with a tree

Ontario is launching Ontario s Green Leaf Challenge with the goal of planting millions of additional trees in 2017 to mark Ontario's 150th anniversary.

Wellington-Halton Hills MPP Ted Arnott, who has been working with the County of Wellington to push the government to massively expand its tree planting efforts, is pleased with the news.

I m glad to hear that the government is launching Ontario's Green Leaf Challenge in response to our Private Member's Resolution," Arnott said. "While we would have liked to see a more ambitious tree planting target, this is welcome news.

Arnott praised the County of Wellington Council and staff for their leadership.

"It has been a pleasure working alongside the county on this, Arnott said. The County has been a real leader when it comes to municipal tree planting. Since they launched the Green Legacy Programme in 2004, it has grown into the largest municipal tree planting programme in North America and has even been recognized by the United Nations

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT CHARGES BY-LAW AND PUBLIC MEETING TO BE HELD ON MAY 2, 2017 AT 7:00 P.M.

HALTON CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Catholic Education Centre 802 Drury Lane, Burlington, Ontario

Take notice that the Halton Catholic District School Board (the "Board") proposes to amend the Halton Catholic District School Board Education Development Charges By-law, 2013 (the "2013 By-law"), which came into effect on June 24, 2013.

The schedule of education development charges now imposed by the 2013 By-law is as follows:

Charge on residential development: \$2,035.00 per dwelling unit

Charge on non-residential development: \$0.51 per square foot (\$5.49 per square metre) of gross floor area

The proposed amending by-law will increase the charge on residential development to \$2,269.00 per dwelling unit and the charge on non-residential development to \$0.58 per square foot (\$6.24 per square metre) of gross floor area. The increase is due to an increase in the education land costs incurred by the Board over those estimated when the 2013 By-law was passed.

The 2013 By-law applies to all lands in the Regional Municipality of Halton. Accordingly, a key map showing the location of the land subject to the 2013 Bylaw is not provided as part of this notice.

AND TAKE NOTICE that on May 2, 2017, at 7:00 P.M. the Halton Catholic District School Board will hold a public meeting to consider the proposed amendments and to inform the public generally about the Board's education development charge proposal. Any person who attends the meeting may make a representation to the Board in respect of the proposed amendments. The Board will also consider any written submissions. All submissions received in writing and those expressed at the public meeting will be considered prior to the enactment of an amendment to the 2013 By-law.

At its meeting of June 20, 2017, the Board will consider the adoption of a by-law that will amend the 2013 By-law.

Should an amending by-law be passed on such date, collection of education development charges pursuant to the 2013 By-law, as amended, will commence on June 25, 2017.

A copy of the proposed amending by-law, the education development charge background study prepared in connection with the 2013 By-law, and information concerning the proposed amendment are available on request during regular business hours at the Board's administrative offices, 802 Drury Lane, Burlington, Ontario, and on the Board's website at www.hcdsb.org

The Board would appreciate receiving on or before April 27, 2017 any written submissions on the proposed amending by-law so that they may be distributed to trustees. If a person wishes to address the Board at the public meeting, he or she is requested to advise the Board on or before April 27, 2017. Submissions and requests to address the Board as delegations at the public meeting should be submitted to: Paula Dawson, Office of the Director of Education, Halton Catholic District School Board, Tel: (905) 632-6300, Fax: (905) 333-4661.

All submissions received in writing and those opinions expressed at the public meeting will be considered prior to a decision by the Board to amend the 2013

Any comments or requests for further information regarding this matter may be directed to Frederick Thibeault, Administrator of Planning Services, Halton Catholic District School Board at (905) 632-6314 Ext. 107, ThibeaultF@hcdsb.org