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Subsection 88(1) of the Motor Traffic Act 1936 ("the Act") provides that the maximum rates of premiums which may be charged by an authorised insurer for third-party policies shall be such rates as are prescribed and subsection (2) enables different rates to be prescribed in relation to different classes of motor vehicles.

Further, section 218 of the Act provides a general power for the Executive to make regulations prescribing matters for the purposes of the Act.

The Motor Vehicle (Third Party Insurance) Regulations (Amendment) ("the Amending Regulation") amends the Motor Vehicle (Third Party Insurance) Regulations ("the Regulations") to provide for a general increase in maximum rates of third party premiums.

The increased rates reflect recommendations made by the Third Party Premiums Advisory Committee following an increase in the frequency of third party claims.

Financial Considerations

There are no revenue implications arising from the Amending Regulation.

Clause 1 provides that the Amending Regulation will commence operation on 1 July 1993.

Clause 2 is a formal provision relating to the title of the Principal Regulations.

Clause 3 amends regulation 16 of the Regulations by increasing the rate of third party premium for a trader's plate from \$70 to \$80.

Clause 4 amends the First Schedule to the Regulations by replacing Part II with a new Part which varies the maximum rates of third party premium for specified classes of vehicle as detailed in the following table:

Item	Classification	Old Premium \$	New Premium \$
1	Private Motor car	140	160
2	Business car	133	144
3	Goods vehicle		
	a) where unladen weight does not exceed 2 tonnes	168	192
	b) where unladen weight exceeds 2 tonnes	350	432
4	Primary producer's goods vehicle		
	a) where unladen weight does not exceed 2 tonnes	105	120
	b) where unladen weight exceeds 2 tonnes	105	120
5	Omnibus or tourist motor vehicle		
	a) seating accommodation for more than 6 adults	560	704
	b) seating accommodation for not more than 6 adults	140	160
6	Taxi	1330	1520
7	Private hire car	168	192
8	Drive-yourself vehicle	420	480

9	Motor cycle		
	a) where capacity exceeds 600 c.c.	146	160
	b) where capacity exceeds 300 cc but does not exceed 600 cc	126	152
	c) where capacity does not exceed 300 cc	56	64
10	Fire fighting vehicle	70	80
11	Undertaker's vehicle	28	32
12	Motor breakdown vehicle	140	144
13	Trailer	Nil	Nil
14	Miscellaneous vehicle	140	160
15	Primary producer's tractor	28	32
16	Mobile crane	420	480
17	Historic vehicle	21	24