

# **Votes and Proceedings**

of the Assembly

Tuesday, 3 December 2013 — No. 100

President of the National Assembly: Mr. Jacques Chagnon

QUÉBEC

The Assembly was called to order at 1.45 o'clock p.m.

#### **ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS**

## **Statements by Members**

Mrs. Richard (Îles-de-la-Madeleine) made a statement about the International Day of Persons with Disabilities.

Mrs. Houda-Pepin (La Pinière) made a statement to congratulate Mrs. Victoria-Kayen Woo on the medal she won at the international competition in Marseille.

Mrs. Beaudoin (Mirabel) made a statement to pay tribute to Les Meuneries Mondou, a company established in Mirabel for nearly 60 years.

Mrs. Ménard (Laporte) made a statement to pay tribute to Mrs. Marie-Claude Molnar.

Mr. Picard (Chutes-de-la-Chaudière) made a statement about Operation Red Nose, a responsible choice.

Mrs. David (Gouin) made a statement about Mr. Laurent Bourdon, a man of commitment.

Mr. Arcand (Mont-Royal) made a statement to underline the  $35^{\text{th}}$  anniversary of the Arsenal à musique.

Mr. Schneeberger (Drummond–Bois-Francs) made a statement to underline the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the municipality of Tingwick.

Mrs. de Santis (Bourassa-Sauvé) made a statement to pay tribute to Mrs. Evelyn Farha.

Mrs. Poirier (Hochelaga-Maisonneuve) made a statement about the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Les Habitations L'Escalier.

At 1.57 o'clock p.m., Mr. Cousineau, Second Vice-President, suspended the proceedings for a few minutes.

The proceedings resumed at 2.11 o'clock p.m.

Moment of reflection

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## **Presenting Papers**

Mr. Bédard, Government House Leader, tabled the following:

The reply from the Government to the petition tabled on 22 October 2013 by Mr. Bolduc (Mégantic), concerning the environmental and safety inspection of road vehicles;

(Sessional Paper No. 1400-20131203)

The reply from the Government to the petition tabled on 29 October 2013 by Mrs. David (Gouin), concerning the increase in the replacement rate of the Québec Pension Plan (QPP).

(Sessional Paper No. 1401-20131203)

Mr. President tabled the following:

The report of the Chief Electoral Officer of Québec on the implementation of section 90.5 of the *Act respecting elections and referendums in municipalities*, within the framework of the municipal elections held on 3 November 2013;

(Sessional Paper No. 1402-20131203)

A letter, dated 2 December 2013, he had received from Mr. Frantz Liautaud, Ambassador of Haiti to Canada, concerning the motion carried by the Assembly on 20 November 2013, regarding the conditions of security and independence of the magistrates, lawyers and law officers in Haiti.

(Sessional Paper No. 1403-20131203)

#### **Presenting Reports from Committees**

Mrs. Richard (Duplessis), committee chairman, tabled the following:

The report from the Committee on Culture and Education, which met on 6, 7, 12 and 13 June, on 9, 16, 17 and 26 September, on 9, 10, 29 and 30 October, on 6, 7, 12, 19 and 26 November, as well as on 2 December 2013 for clause-by-clause consideration of Bill 45, An Act respecting the Ministère de l'Enseignement supérieur, de la Recherche, de la Science et de la Technologie. The report contains certain amendments to the bill.

(Sessional Paper No. 1404-20131203)

Mr. Ferland (Ungava), committee chairman, tabled the following:

The report from the Committee on Institutions, which, on 17 April and on 19 and 24 September 2013, examined the report entitled "Proposed Amendments to the Lobbying Transparency and Ethics Act", and examined the activity reports from 2007-2008 to 2011-2012 as well as the policy directions, activities and administrative management of the Lobbyists Commissioner of Québec. The Committee also held deliberative meetings on 20 November 2012, 20 February, 16, 17 and 25 April, 24 September and 6 November 2013, with regard to this order. The report contains two recommendations;

(Sessional Paper No. 1405-20131203)

The report from the Committee on Institutions, which, on 28 and 29 November as well as on 2 and 3 December 2013, held public hearings within the framework of special consultations on Bill 61, An Act mainly to recover amounts paid unjustly by public bodies in relation to certain contracts in the construction industry.

(Sessional Paper No. 1406-20131203)

#### **Presenting Petitions**

Mr. Trottier (Roberval) tabled the following:

The abstract of a petition respecting the improvement of living conditions and services provided to seniors living in private nursing homes, and signed by 763 citizens of Québec.

(Sessional Paper No. 1407-20131203)

Mrs. David (Gouin) tabled the following:

The abstract of a petition respecting school board budget cuts and investment in school support, and signed by 653 citizens of Québec.

(Sessional Paper No. 1408-20131203)

By leave of the Assembly to set aside Standing Order 63, Mr. Trottier (Roberval) tabled the following:

The abstract of a petition respecting the improvement of living conditions and services provided to seniors living in private nursing homes, and signed by 6924 citizens of Québec.

(Sessional Paper No. 1409-20131203)

#### **Oral Questions and Answers**

The Assembly proceeded to Oral Question Period.

## **Deferred Divisions**

The Assembly took the division, which had been deferred at the sitting of 29 November 2013, on the motion moved by Mrs. Maltais, Minister of Employment and Social Solidarity, for the passage of Bill 39, Voluntary Retirement Savings Plans Act.

The motion was carried on the following vote:

(Division No. 76 in Appendix)

Yeas: 103 Nays: 2 Abstentions: 0

Accordingly, Bill 39 was passed.

#### **Motions Without Notice**

By leave of the Assembly to set aside Standing Order 185, Mr. Bolduc (Jean-Talon), together with Mr. Hébert, Minister of Health and Social Services, Mrs. Daneault (Groulx), Mr. Khadir (Mercier) and Mr. Ratthé (Blainville), moved:

THAT the National Assembly underline World AIDS Day, which was held on 1 December;

THAT it reaffirm the importance of ensuring the population's access to prevention, screening, treatment and care;

THAT it denounce the situations of stigmatization still occasionally experienced by persons with HIV/AIDS and that it express its full solidarity with persons suffering from this disease.

By leave of the Assembly, a debate arose thereon.

The debate being concluded, the motion was carried.

By leave of the Assembly to set aside Standing Order 185, Mr. Gaudreault, Minister of Transport, together with Mrs. Houda-Pepin (La Pinière), Mr. Caire (La Peltrie), Mrs. David (Gouin) and Mr. Ratthé (Blainville), moved:

THAT the National Assembly underline the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Operation Red Nose;

THAT it congratulate the commitment of all of the volunteers who contribute each year to this major success;

THAT it pay tribute to the combined efforts of the Société de l'assurance automobile du Québec, the various police services and numerous partners that have ensured the efficiency and longevity of this initiative; And that it recall that this safe ride home service contributes, in a dynamic and original way, to improving safety on our roadways.

By leave of the Assembly, the motion was carried.

Mr. Khadir (Mercier) moved:

THAT the National Assembly express its deepest concern with regard to TransCanada's plan to build an oil terminal in Cacouna and to the impact that this project could have on the belugas' habitat, whose population is in decline.

By leave of the Assembly, the motion was carried.

By leave of the Assembly to set aside Standing Order 84.1 and pursuant to Standing Order 146, Mr. Traversy, Deputy Government House Leader, moved:

THAT, within the framework of the examination of Bill 37, An Act to prohibit certain shale natural gas exploration and production activities, the Committee on Transportation and the Environment hold special consultations beginning on 18 February 2014, and that, for this purpose, it hear the following groups:

Alliance des villes des Grands Lacs et du Saint-Laurent Association québécoise de lutte contre la pollution atmosphérique Canadian Gas Association Association des consommateurs industriels de gaz Association pétrolière et gazière du Québec Centre québécois du droit de l'environnement **Coalition Saint-Laurent** Comité Moratoire Alternative Vigilance Intervention Conseil patronal de l'environnement du Québec Eau Secours **Environnement Jeunesse** Equiterre Fédération des chambres de commerce du Québec Fédération québécoise des municipalités Fond mondial pour la nature David Suzuki Foundation GASTEM Inc. Gaz Métro Greenpeace Acton Regional County Municipality Arthabaska Regional County Municipality Bécancour Regional County Municipality Bellechasse Regional County Municipality Brome-Missisquoi Regional County Municipality D'Autrav Regional County Municipality Drummond Regional County Municipality Joliette Regional County Municipality L'Assomption Regional County Municipality L'Érable Regional County Municipality La Côte-de-Beaupré Regional County Municipality La Haute-Yamaska Regional County Municipality La Jacques-Cartier Regional County Municipality La Nouvelle-Beauce Regional County Municipality La Vallée-du-Richelieu Regional County Municipality Haut-Richelieu Regional County Municipality Val-Saint-François Regional County Municipality Les Chenaux Regional County Municipality Jardins-de-Napierville Regional County Municipality Maskoutains Regional County Municipality Les Moulins Regional County Municipality Les Sources Regional County Municipality Lotbinière Regional County Municipality Marguerite-D'Youville Regional County Municipality Maskinongé Regional County Municipality Montcalm Regional County Municipality Montmagny Regional County Municipality Nicolet-Yamaska Regional County Municipality Pierre-De Saurel Regional County Municipality

Portneuf Regional County Municipality **Roussillon Regional County Municipality** Rouville Regional County Municipality Thérèse-De Blainville Regional County Municipality Nature Québec Notre-Dame-des-Anges Parish Questerre Energy Corporation Regroupement interrégional sur le gaz de schiste de la Vallée du Saint-Laurent Stratégies Saint-Laurent Union des municipalités du Québec City of Boucherville City of Brossard City of Côte-Saint-Luc City of Hampstead City of L'Ancienne-Lorette City of Laval City of Lévis City of Longueuil City of Montréal City of Montréal-Est City of Montréal-Ouest City of Mont-Royal City of Québec City of Saint-Augustin-de-Desmaures City of Saint-Bruno-de-Montarville City of Saint-Lambert City of Trois-Rivières City of Westmount

THAT a period of 15 minutes be set aside for opening statements;

THAT the time set aside for the opening statements by the party forming the Government and by the party forming the Official Opposition be of 6 minutes each and the time set aside for the Second Opposition Group be of 3 minutes;

THAT the presentation by each of the groups last no longer than 10 minutes and the exchange with the Committee members last no longer than 35 minutes;

THAT the time set aside for the party forming the Government be of 16 minutes and the time set aside for the opposition Members be of 19 minutes;

THAT a period of 15 minutes be set aside for closing statements allocated in the same manner as for the opening statements;

THAT the Minister of Sustainable Development, Environment, Wildlife and Parks be a member of the said Committee during its proceedings with respect to this order of reference.

By leave of the Assembly, the motion was carried.

Mr. Traversy, Deputy Government House Leader, moved that Bill 37, An Act to prohibit certain shale natural gas exploration and production activities, be referred for clause-by-clause consideration to the Committee on Transportation and the Environment.

The motion was carried.

## Notices of Proceedings in Committees

Mr. Traversy, Deputy Government House Leader, convened the following Committee:

- the Committee on Health and Social Services, to continue its clause-byclause consideration of Bill 52, An Act respecting end-of-life care.

By leave of the Assembly to undertake clause-by-clause consideration before the tabling of the consultation report, he then convened the following Committee:

— the Committee on Institutions, to hold public hearings within the framework of special consultations on Bill 65, An Act to replace and reconstitute the notarial deeds *en minute* destroyed in the 6 July 2013 railway disaster in Ville de Lac-Mégantic; and then to give clause-by-clause consideration to this bill.

And finally, by leave of the Assembly to set aside Standing Order 143.1, he convened the following Committee:

— the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries, Energy and Natural Resources, to continue its public hearings within the framework of special consultations to examine the acceptability, for Québec, of the project proposed by Enbridge Pipelines Inc. to reverse the flow of Pipeline 9B eastward between North Westover and Montréal described in particular in the document entitled "Inversion du flux de l'oléoduc 9B d'Enbridge".

Mr. Ouimet, Third Vice-President, gave the following notice:

— the Committee on Institutions shall hold a deliberative meeting to establish its observations, conclusions and recommendations, if any, following the hearing with the Minister of Justice concerning the comments of the Commission des droits de la personne et des droits de la jeunesse made public on 17 October 2013 on the Government's policy directions regarding the proposed charter of Québec values as well as on the unconstitutionality of the Government's proposal.

And, by leave of the Assembly to set aside Standing Order 143.1, he then gave the following notice:

 the Committee on Culture and Education shall hear the head officers of McGill University and of the Université de Montréal.

# **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

#### **Government Bills**

Report Stage

The Assembly took into consideration the report from the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain on its clause-by-clause consideration of Bill 64, An Act to amend various legislative provisions concerning municipal affairs.

After debate thereon, the report was concurred in.

Mr. Traversy, Deputy Government House Leader, moved the adjournment of the Assembly until Wednesday, 4 December 2013, at 9.45 o'clock a.m.

The motion was carried.

Accordingly, at 4.21 o'clock p.m., Mr. Ouimet, Third Vice-President, adjourned the Assembly until Wednesday, 4 December 2013, at 9.45 o'clock a.m.

## **JACQUES CHAGNON**

President

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# APPENDIX

# **Recorded Divisions**

On the motion by Mrs. Maltais, Minister of Employment and Social Solidarity:

# (Division No. 76)

# **YEAS - 103**

Arcand (QLP)	Deltell (CAQ)	Lessard (QLP)	Richard $(PQ)$
Beaudoin $(PQ)$	Diamond $(\widetilde{QLP})$	Lévesque (CAQ)	(Îles-de-la-Madeleine)
Bergeron $(PQ)$	Drainville $(PQ)$	Lisée (PQ)	Richer $(PQ)$
Bergman (QLP)	Drolet (QLP)	Malavoy $(PQ)$	Rotiroti (QLP)
Bérubé ( $PQ$ )	Dubé $(\widetilde{CAQ})$	Maltais $(PQ)$	Rousselle $(QLP)$
Billette ( <i>QLP</i> )	Duchesne $(PQ)$	Marceau $(PQ)$	$\operatorname{Roy}(PQ)$
Blais (QLP)	Duchesneau (CAQ)	Marcoux (QLP)	(Bonaventure)
Blanchet $(PQ)$	Dufour $(PQ)$	Marsan (QLP)	Roy (CAQ)
Bolduc (QLP)	Dutil (QLP)	Martel (CAQ)	(Montarville)
(Mégantic)	Ferland $(PQ)$	McKay (PQ)	Schneeberger (CAQ)
Bolduc (QLP)	Fournier (QLP)	Ménard (QLP)	Sklavounos (QLP)
(Jean-Talon)	Gadoury-Hamelin (PQ)	Moreau (QLP)	Spénard (CAQ)
Bonnardel (CAQ)	Gaudreault $(PQ)$	Morin (QLP)	St-Arnaud (PQ)
Bouillé ( $PQ$ )	(Jonquière)	Ouellet $(PQ)$	St-Pierre (QLP)
Boulet (QLP)	Gaudreault (QLP)	Ouellette (QLP)	Tanguay (QLP)
Breton $(PQ)$	(Hull)	Ouimet (QLP)	Thériault (QLP)
Bureau-Blouin (PQ)	Gautrin (QLP)	(Fabre)	Therrien $(PQ)$
Caire (CAQ)	Gendron $(PQ)$	Pagé (PQ)	Traversy (PQ)
Cardin (PQ)	Goyer $(PQ)$	Paradis (QLP)	Trottier $(PQ)$
Champagne (PQ)	Hébert (PQ)	Pelletier $(PQ)$	Trudel ( $CAQ$ )
Chapadeau (PQ)	Hivon $(PQ)$	(Rimouski)	(Charlesbourg)
Charbonneau (QLP)	Houda-Pepin (QLP)	Pelletier $(PQ)$	Trudel $(PQ)$
Charlebois (QLP)	Kotto $(PQ)$	(Saint-Hyacinthe)	(Saint-Maurice)
Claveau (PQ)	Larouche $(PQ)$	Picard ( $CAQ$ )	Turcotte ( $PQ$ )
Cloutier $(PQ)$	Le Bouyonnec (CAQ)	Poëti (QLP)	Vallée (QLP)
D'Amour (QLP)	Leclair $(PQ)$	Proulx $(PQ)$	Vien (QLP)
Daneault ( $CAQ$ )	Legault (CAQ)	Ratthé (IND)	Villeneuve (PQ)
De Courcy $(PQ)$	Léger (PQ)	Reid (QLP)	Zakaïb (PQ)
de Santis (QLP)	Lelièvre $(PQ)$	Richard ( $PQ$ )	
		(Duplessis)	
NAYS - 2			
David (IND)	Khadir (IND)		