

Order Paper and Notices

of the Assembly

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President of the National Assembly: Mr. Jacques Chagnon

QUÉBEC

Part 1

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

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- The Member for Laval-des-Rapides on the following subject: Underline the work of Moisson Laval.
- The Member for Berthier on the following subject: Saint-Côme, folk song capital of Québec.
- The Member for Sherbrooke on the following subject: Underline the involvement of Triolet school students in the "Planter de l'air pur en Estrie" project.
- The Member for Borduas on the following subject: Groupe Scout 4^e L'Avenir.
- The Member for Marguerite-Bourgeoys on the following subject: 50^{th} anniversary of an explosion in LaSalle.
- The Member for Mercier on the following subject: 40th anniversary of the Ateliers d'éducation populaire du Plateau.
- The Member for Trois-Rivières on the following subject: Underline the "Ville en poésie" recognition awarded to the City of Trois-Rivières.
- The Member for Johnson on the following subject: 50th anniversary of the Centre communautaire Saint-Jean-Baptiste.
- The Member for Laporte on the following subject: *Tribute to Mr. Jacques Villemaire*.
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I. Government Bills

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(1) Bill 13*

An Act to give effect to the Budget Speech delivered on 4 June 2014 and to various other fiscal measures Introduced by the Minister of Finance on **4 December 2014**

* Recommendation of the Lieutenant-Governor

(2) Bill 20

An Act to enact the Act to promote access to family medicine and specialized medicine services and to amend various legislative provisions relating to assisted procreation

Introduced by the Minister of Health and Social Services on 28 November 2014

(**3**) Bill 27

An Act respecting the optimization of subsidized educational childcare services

Introduced by the Minister of Families on 26 November 2014

Report from the Committee on Citizen Relations (consultations) tabled on **10 February 2015**

(**4**) Bill 28

An Act mainly to implement certain provisions of the Budget Speech of 4 June 2014 and return to a balanced budget in 2015-2016

Introduced by the Minister of Finance on 26 November 2014

Report from the Committee on Public Finance (consultations) tabled on 12 February 2015

Resuming the debate, adjourned on **25 February 2015**, on the hoist motion by the Member for Lac-Saint-Jean, –THAT the motion under debate be amended by striking out the word "now" and by adding at the end thereof the words "this day two weeks hence"

(5) Bill 32

An Act to amend the Act respecting compensation measures for the carrying out of projects affecting wetlands or bodies of water in order to extend its application

Introduced by the Minister of Sustainable Development, the Environment and the Fight Against Climate Change on **25 February 2015**

(6) Bill 33

An Act to amend the Courts of Justice Act Introduced by the Minister of Justice on **17 February 2015**

(7) Bill 37

An Act to confirm that the cement plant and maritime terminal projects in the territory of Municipalité de Port-Daniel–Gascons are subject solely to the authorizations required under section 22 of the Environment Quality Act Introduced by the Minister of the Economy, Innovation and Exports on **19 February 2015**

Committee Stage

(8) Bill 25

An Act to transfer the responsibility for issuing road vehicle dealer's and recycler's licences to the president of the Office de la protection du consommateur

Introduced by the Minister of Minister of Transport on 28 November 2014 Report from the Committee on Transportation and the Environment (consultations) tabled on 18 February 2015

Passed in principle on 19 February 2015, and

Referred to the Committee on Transportation and the Environment

(**9**) Bill 26

An Act to ensure mainly the recovery of amounts obtained as a result of fraud or fraudulent tactics in connection with public contracts Introduced by the Minister of Minister of Justice on 3 December 2014 Report from the Committee on Institutions (consultations) tabled on 10 February 2015 Passed in principle on **17 February 2015**, and Referred to the Committee on Institutions

(10)Bill 34

An Act to amend the Supplemental Pension Plans Act with respect to the funding and restructuring of certain multi-employer pension plans Introduced by the Minister of Employment and Social Solidarity on 18 February 2015 Passed in principle on **25 February 2015**, and Referred to the Committee on Labour and the Economy

Report Stage

(11)Bill 19

An Act to amend the Cooperatives Act and other legislative provisions Introduced by the Minister of the Economy, Innovation and Exports on 12 November 2014

Report from the Committee on Labour and the Economy (consultations) tabled on 5 December 2014

Passed in principle on 11 February 2015

Report from the Committee on Labour and the Economy tabled on **18 February 2015**

(12)Bill 30

An Act respecting mainly the suspension of payment of bonuses in the context of budget-balancing measures

Introduced by the Minister responsible for Government Administration and Ongoing Program Review and Chair of the Conseil du trésor on 5 December 2014

Passed in principle on 10 February 2015

Report from the Committee on Public Finance tabled on 17 February 2015

Passage

II. Private Members' Public Bills

Passage in Principle

(13)Bill 190

An Act to amend the Civil Code in order to protect the rights of seniors as lessees

Introduced by the Member for Gouin on 27 May 2014 Resuming the debate adjourned on **5 June 2014**

(14)Bill 192

An Act to amend the Anti-Corruption Act as concerns the protection of whistleblowers

Introduced by the Member for Chutes-de-la-Chaudière on 23 September 2014

(**15**)Bill 193

An Act to regulate ferrous and non-ferrous metal transactions and recycling Introduced by the Member for Chutes-de-la-Chaudière on **21 October 2014**

(16)Bill 194

An Act to promote the inclusion of social housing or affordable housing in new construction projects

Introduced by the Member for Hochelaga-Maisonneuve on 2 October 2014

(17)Bill 195

An Act to amend the Municipal Powers Act to allow regional county municipalities to carry out certain work without delay Introduced by the Member for Nicolet-Bécancour on **25 September 2014**

(18)Bill 196

An Act to amend the Public Protector Act Introduced by the Member for Deux-Montagnes on **1 October 2014**

(19)Bill 197

An Act to reduce medication procurement costs in Québec Introduced by the Member for Mercier on **17 February 2015**

(**20**)Bill 390

An Act to amend the Environment Quality Act in order to assert the primacy of Québec's jurisdiction in this area Introduced by the Member for Jonquière on **3 December 2014**

(21)Bill 393

An Act to provide a framework for appointments to certain senior positions and to standardize certain aspects of the appointment of administrative judges and decision-makers

Introduced by the Member for Deux-Montagnes on 4 December 2014

(22)Bill 394

An act to amend the Police Act as concerns issuing statements of offence Introduced by the Member for Chutes-de-la-Chaudière on 12 February 2015

(23)Bill 395

Religious Fundamentalism Observer Act Introduced by the Member for Taschereau on **11 February 2015**

(24)Bill 396

Parliamentary Budget Officer Act Introduced by the Member for Granby on **19 February 2015**

Committee Stage

Report Stage

Passage

III. Private Bills

Hearings and Clause-by-Clause Consideration

(25)Bill 204

An Act respecting Ville de Saint-Joseph-de-Sorel Introduced by the Member for Saint-Hyacinthe on **13 November 2014**, and Referred to the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain

Passage in Principle

Passage

IV. Government Motions

(26)17 February 2015

Motion by the Minister of International Relations and La Francophonie:

THAT, in accordance with section 22.3 of the Act respecting the Ministère des Relations internationales, the National Assembly approve the driver's licence exchange agreement between the Government of Québec and the Government of the Republic of Turkey, signed at Québec City, on 24 July 2014, and at Ottawa, on 15 August 2014.

In compliance with section 22.3 of the *Act respecting the Ministère des Relations internationales*, this motion cannot be debated before 27 February 2015.

- V. Estimates of Expenditure
- VI. Statutory Debates

BUSINESS STANDING IN THE NAME OF MEMBERS IN OPPOSITION

Part 3

BILLS PASSED

(Bills not yet given Royal Assent)

Part 4

PROCEEDINGS IN COMMITTEES

The detailed calendar of the proceedings of each committee is available on the Internet site of the Assembly

COMMITTEE ON THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Order in compliance with the Standing Orders

- Examination of the annual reports on the application of the *Public* Administration Act.
- Hearing of the Auditor General on his annual management report.
- Hearing on chapter 3 of the Auditor General's report for spring 2014 regarding the acquisition of goods and services.
- Hearing on the administrative management of the Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux.

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES, ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Order in compliance with the Standing Orders

Surveillance of public bodies and accountability:

- Hearing the Commission de protection du territoire agricole du Québec on its policy directions, activities and administrative management.

Order of initiative

- Analysis of the farmland grabbing phenomenon.

COMMITTEE ON PLANNING AND THE PUBLIC DOMAIN

Order of reference

Consideration of Bills:

- **Bill 204**, An Act respecting Ville de Saint-Joseph-de-Sorel (Order of reference given on 13 November 2014).

Statutory Order

- Examination of the reports on the implementation of the Municipal Ethics and Good Conduct Act.

COMMITTEE ON CULTURE AND EDUCATION

Statutory Order

- Hearing the heads of the university-level educational institutions.

Order in compliance with the Standing Orders

Surveillance of public bodies and accountability:

- Examination of the policy directions, activities and administrative management of the Société de développement des entreprises culturelles.

COMMITTEE ON LABOUR AND THE ECONOMY

Order of reference

Consideration of Bills:

 Bill 34, An Act to amend the Supplemental Pension Plans Act with respect to the funding and restructuring of certain multi-employer pension plans (Order of reference given on 25 February 2015).

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC FINANCE

Order of initiative

- The use of tax havens phenomenon.

COMMITTEE ON INSTITUTIONS

Order of reference

Consideration of Bills:

 Bill 26, An Act to ensure mainly the recovery of amounts obtained as a result of fraud or fraudulent tactics in connection with public contracts (Order of reference given on 17 February 2015).

Order in compliance with the Standing Orders

- Hearing the Québec Chief Electoral Officer.

Surveillance of public bodies and accountability:

- Examination of the policy directions, activities and management of the reintegration support central fund's advisory committee.
- Examination of the policy directions, activities and management of the 18 reintegration support funds of Québec's correctional facilities.
- Examination of the policy directions, activities and management of the Anti-Corruption Commissioner.

COMMITTEE ON CITIZEN RELATIONS

Order of reference

Special consultations:

 2008-2013 Government Action Plan concerning Sexual Assault (order given on 24 February 2015).

Statutory Order

 Examination of the reports on the activities of the Fonds pour le développement des jeunes enfants and on those of the Société de gestion Avenir d'enfants for the fiscal years ended 31 March 2011, 2012 and 2013.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Order of reference

Special consultations:

 Bill 20, An Act to enact the Act to promote access to family medicine and specialized medicine services and to amend various legislative provisions relating to assisted procreation (Order of reference given on 10 February 2015).

Statutory Order

- Examination of the 2013-2014 annual reports of the following health and social services agencies: Abitibi-Témiscamingue, Bas-Saint-Laurent, Capitale-Nationale, Chaudière-Appalaches, Côte-Nord, Estrie, Gaspésie–Îles-de-la-Madeleine, Lanaudière, Laurentides, Laval, Mauricie et Centre-du-Québec, Montérégie, Montréal, Outaouais, Saguenay–Lac-Saint-Jean, and of the Cree Board of Health and Social Services of James Bay and the Nunavik Regional Board of Health and Social Services (deferred on 7 October 2014).
- Examination of the 2013-2014 annual management report of the Centre régional de santé et de services sociaux de la Baie-James (deferred on 9 October 2014).

Order in compliance with the Standing Orders

Interpellation:

- By the Member for Taillon to the Minister of Health and Social Services on the following subject: The wage agreement reached in 2011 between the current Minister of Education, Recreation and Sports and the current Minister of Health and Social Services, concerning the remuneration of medical specialists and its impacts on Québec's fiscal situation (notice given on 22 May 2014).

Surveillance of public bodies and accountability:

 Examination of the policy directions, activities and management of the Abitibi-Témiscamingue, Côte-Nord, Gaspésie–Îles-de-la-Madeleine and Saguenay–Lac-Saint-Jean health and social services agencies and of the Centre régional de santé et de services sociaux de la Baie-James.

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Order of reference

Consideration of Bills:

Bill 25, An Act to transfer the responsibility for issuing road vehicle dealer's and recycler's licences to the president of the Office de la protection du consommateur (Order of reference given on 19 February 2015).

Statutory Order

- Examination of the report from the Société de l'assurance automobile du Québec on automobile advertising guidelines.
- Examination of the 2013 evaluation report Photo radar devices and red light camera systems.

Order in compliance with the Standing Orders

Surveillance of public bodies and accountability:

- Hearing the Société de l'assurance automobile du Québec on its administrative management, activities and policy directions

Part 5

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

<u>Questions already placed</u> on the Order Paper are published each Wednesday

40) Mr. Lisée (Rosemont) – **26 February 2015** To the Minister of Employment and Social Solidarity

Phase 2 of the National Strategy for Labour Market Integration and Maintenance of Handicapped Persons should have been launched in June 2014, but we are still waiting for it. One of the measures provided in Phase 1 of the Strategy was to increase funding for employment integration contacts (CITs – action 44), to facilitate the hiring and maintenance of handicapped persons in a standard work environment and to promote equal access, for handicapped persons, to the labour market.

Let us recall that, in 2014–2015, there were over 17 M\$ in cutbacks to Program 1 of the Ministère de l'Emploi et de la Solidarité sociale, which provides for this Strategy's funding. In response to a question submitted on 16 September 2014, the Minister was incapable of confirming that CITs would be part of the measures to be renewed in Phase 2 of the Strategy. He was also unable to give any details as to the schedule he dad set for himself. We therefore ask the following questions, since he has had five months to reflect on the matter:

• When does the Minister plan to launch Phase 2 of the Strategy?

• Can he confirm that the CITs will be part of the measures included in Phase 2 of the Strategy and that they will be funded in such a manner as to allow more people to take advantage of it?

41) Mr. Lisée (Rosemont) – **26 February 2015**

To the Minister for Rehabilitation, Youth Protection and Public Health

In 2013, the Québec Ombudsman tabled a report on financial contributions toward child placements and made the following 11 recommendations:

To the Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux and the Ministère des Finances et de l'Économie, that they make the necessary regulatory amendments to

R-1 Adjust the rates of the financial contribution required from parents when their minor children are placed in a substitute environment so that the rates take into account changes made since 1997 in the amount of family allowances and are fairer for parents and more in keeping with their financial capacity.

To the Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux, that it make the necessary legislative and regulatory amendments to

R-2 Take into account, in computing the financial contribution toward placement, in all fairness, the child support paid by the parent who is the support debtor to the parent who is the support creditor.

To the Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux, that it make the necessary legislative and regulatory amendments to

R-3 Make sure that child assistance payments and the supplement for a handicapped child are factored into the parents' income for the purposes of computing the financial contribution toward placement in such a way as to avoid unfair adjustments to the contribution amount, especially when the payments and supplement are allocated for children who are not lodged in a substitute environment.

To the Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux and the Régie des rentes du Québec, that they

R-4 Agree on the regulatory amendments that are necessary to ensure that the requirement to make a financial contribution to the youth centre in order to qualify for child assistance payments does not prevent a person other than the father or mother, such as a close family member or the tutor to the child's person and property, from receiving child assistance payments when that other person has de facto responsibility for a child temporarily lodged in a substitute environment.

To the Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux, that it

R-5 Authorize youth centres to grant absence credits when a child is lodged, with the consent of the youth centre concerned and in keeping with the child's intervention plan, in a "natural environment" that encourages the parents to take responsibility for their child and that is in keeping with the spirit of the legislation under which the child was placed.

5.1 Make sure that the residential resources send the youth centres, in a timely manner, the information required to compute the credits owed to the parents.

To the Minister of Finance and the Economy, that the Minister

R-6 Make sure that the Tax Administration Act is amended so that the Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux can, through Québec's youth centres, obtain tax data, even without the parents' consent, for the sole purpose of computing the financial contribution toward placement in accordance with the Regulation respecting the application of the Act respecting health services and social services.

To the Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux and the Agence du revenu du Québec, that they

6.1 Enter into an agreement, in compliance with the relevant legislative provisions, so that youth centres can, at the very beginning of a new placement, obtain the financial data needed for the sole purpose of computing the contribution to be required from parents toward lodging their child in a substitute environment.

To the Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux, that it

6.2 Make sure that youth centres send parents full and accessible information on the financial consequences of their child's placement and more specifically on their obligation to pay the required contribution to continue to qualify for child assistance payments from the Régie des rentes du Québec, and that this information take into account parents' capacity to understand the computation rules and their rights and obligations.

To the Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux, that it

R-7 Make sure that youth centres standardize their practices so that billing, the computation of exemptions and the determination of the contribution amount required from parents is fair and does not penalize parents who collaborate with the youth centres.

To the Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux, in collaboration with the Régie des rentes du Québec, that it

R-8 Take the necessary measures so that parents will be disqualified from receiving payments from the Régie if they no longer support their child or if the child's intervention plan recommends that all parent-child contact cease and that child assistance payments from the Régie be paid to the institution responsible for lodging the child until his or her majority.

To the Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux, that it

R-8.1 Make sure that youth centres formulate criteria allowing them to standardize their practices for negotiating payment agreements with parents who fail to pay their contribution.

To the Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux, in collaboration with the health and social services agencies, that it

R-9 Make sure that residential resources under the authority of institutions in the health and social services network, including rehabilitation centres, promptly inform the youth centre responsible for collecting the financial contribution at the very beginning of a minor child's placement.

To the Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux, that it

R-10 Develop a framework for standardizing youth centre practices, especially as regards the computation, collection and recovery of the financial contribution toward placement, to ensure that parents are treated in a manner that is fair and takes their circumstances into account, and to facilitate parents' dealings with youth centres when their child is placed.

To the Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux, the Régie des rentes du Québec, the Agence du revenu du Québec and the Ministère des Finances et de l'Économie, that they

R-11 Designate a respondent by 15 May 15 2013, send him or her, not later than 30 September 2013, a work plan for follow-up on the recommendations and ask him or her to report on progress toward implementation of the plan according to an agreed-upon timetable.

In response to our questions on the progress made in applying these recommendations, the Minister recognized the unfair nature of the regulatory provisions respecting the financial contribution toward the placement of minors.

She mentioned a change in the coordination of the matter and identified the fall of 2014 as being the next deadline for accountability reporting to the Public Protector, as well as the creation of a working group formed by representatives of the Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux and of the Association des centres jeunesse du Québec (ACJQ). The schedule for these measures was still undetermined.

- What accountability reporting was made to the Public Protector in the fall of 2014?
- What progress, to date, has been made with respect of these recommendations?
- What schedule has been set for the implementation of each of the Public Protector's recommendations?
- Who are the members of the working group formed by people from the MSSS and the ACJQ?
- How many meetings have been held to date, and on which dates were they held?
- What will happen to this working group, now that Bill 10 forces the ACJQ's abolishment as of 1 April 2015?
- Why is the Minister's office incapable of providing answers to the citizens that call it to ask these questions?

42) Mr. Therrien (Sanguinet) – 26 February 2015 To the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Land Occupancy and the Minister of Employment and Social Solidarity

In the context of tabling Bill 3, An Act to foster the financial health and sustainability of municipal defined benefit pension plans, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Land Occupancy promised on numerous occasions to table municipalities' 2013 actuarial valuations before the Members of the National Assembly, and to do so, as soon as they were submitted to the Régie des rentes. Let us recall that the Official Opposition claimed that they be divulged before proceeding with the clause-by-clause consideration of the bill.

On 17 September 2014, in Information on the Proceedings of the Assembly, the Government House Leader stated: "[Translation] In-so-far as the Minister has the actuarial information, which could be partial information – I want to say, let me explain why, afterwards, I was informed of this yesterday, so I am passing it

on today –, in-so-far as he has it, he will be able to provide it, this actuarial information, to the members of the committee. [...] This being said, in-so-far as the Minister of Municipal Affairs has actuarial information in his possession, even partial information, he would be able to provide it. [...] Therefore, the intention is to be able to commence the proceedings, with all the available information, whatever it may be, while any information not available will be provide later on, Madam President."

On 18 September 2014, during the debate on the motion without notice moved by the Member for Sanguinet ("THAT the National Assembly demand that, before 30 September 2014, the municipalities, cities and towns provide the Régie des rentes du Québec with their actuarial valuations updated to 31 December 2013; THAT the Régie des rentes du Québec provide those actuarial valuations to the Committee Secretariat of the National Assembly before 9 October 2014."), the Minister of Municipal Affairs stated: "[Translation] And, when we have the numbers, yes, we will divulge them to all parliamentarians to get the work done."

On 8 October 2014, during Oral Questions and Answers, in reply to the Member for Sanguinet, the Minister stated: "[Translation] Now, on the matter of the actuarial valuations, I've said on numerous occasions that as soon as we had them, as soon as the Régie des rentes du Québec has them in its possession, they would be given to all my colleagues of the parliamentary committee who want to work on advancing the bill, Mr. President."

• Can the Minister follow through on his promise and table the actuarial data as at 31 December 2013 of the municipal pension plans (data on the plans' funding level, the amount of the deficits or surplus, for each pension plan and for each municipality)?

In addition, during an interview granted to ICI Radio-Canada Première, the Minister of Municipal Affairs Minister stated: "[Translation] There are pension plans that are fully funded, meaning that they are 100% funded, are financially sound, get good returns on investments, that contributed to lowering the total deficit of pensions plans, but those that are in a difficult situation are still having difficulties, and that represents about 3.2 million dollars."

An article taken from the ICI Radio-Canada website for 20 February interpreted the information concerning the pension plans' performance in a different manner: "The official results for 2013 show that the actual deficit is 2.5 billion dollars, representing a difference of 1.3 billion in comparison to the estimated 3.9 billion. All these numbers came from the Régie des rentes du Québec. The improvement is due to the stock market performance which was 13%, instead of the projected 5%. Of this 1.3 billion, based on the numbers advanced by Minister Moreau, 400 million dollars are attributable to the good performance of the fully funded pension plans. A 200 million dollar surplus was projected, and now it's three times more, namely 600 million. The balance – 900 million dollars – is due to non-capitalized pension plans whose performance improved nonetheless."

• Can the Minister table the data on the evolution of pension plan performance, divided according to the pension plans' funding levels?

Part 6

NOTICES

I. NOTICES PREVIOUSLY GIVEN

Government Bills

Private Members' Public Bills

(a) 25 February 2015 Parliamentary Budget Officer Act – *Member for Rousseau*.

Private Bills

II. NOTICES APPEARING FOR THE FIRST TIME

(aa) Interpellation by the Member for Borduas to the Minister of Immigration, Diversity and Inclusiveness on the following subject: *Québec's immigration policy*.