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President of the National Assembly:
Mr. François Gendron

QUÉBEC

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I. Government Bills

Passage in Principle

(1) Bill 48*

An Act to amend the Act respecting municipal courts and other legislative provisions

Introduced by the Minister of Justice **13 November 2007**

*** Recommendation of the Lieutenant-Governor**

(2) Bill 53*

An Act respecting the Agence de gestion des structures routières du Québec

Introduced by the Minister of Transport **15 November 2007**

*** Recommendation of the Lieutenant-Governor**

(3) Bill 66*

An Act respecting the Laboratoire de sciences judiciaires et de médecine légale

Introduced by the Minister of Public Security **14 December 2007**

*** Recommendation of the Lieutenant-Governor**

(4) Bill 83

An Act to establish a caregiver support fund

Introduced by the Minister responsible for Seniors **17 June 2008**

- (5) Bill 84
An Act to establish an early childhood development fund
Introduced by the Minister of Families **17 June 2008**
- (6) Bill 85
An Act to amend the Balanced Budget Act and other legislative provisions
Introduced by the Minister of Finance **13 May 2008**
- (7) Bill 90
An Act to amend various legislative provisions principally with regard to the process of negotiation and certain conditions of engagement in the film industry
Introduced by the Minister of Culture, Communications and the Status of Women **15 May 2008**
- (8) Bill 94
An Act to amend the Act respecting the Conseil des arts et des lettres du Québec
Introduced by the Minister of Culture, Communications and the Status of Women **13 June 2008**
- (9) Bill 96
An Act to amend the Act respecting transportation services by taxi
Introduced by the Minister of Transport **13 June 2008**
- (10) Bill 97
An Act to regularize and provide for the development of local slaughterhouses and to amend the Food Products Act
Introduced by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food **17 June 2008**
- (11) Bill 99
An Act to amend the Code of Civil Procedure to prevent abusive use of the courts and promote citizen participation in public debate
Introduced by the Minister of Justice **13 June 2008**
- (12) Bill 100*
An Act to establish the Office Québec-Monde pour la jeunesse and to amend various legislative provisions
Introduced by the Minister of International Relations **17 June 2008**

* **Recommendation of the Lieutenant-Governor**

Committee Stage

(13) Bill 7

An Act respecting the Compilation of Québec Laws and Regulations
Introduced by the Minister of Justice 15 June 2007
Passed in principle **23 October 2007**, and
Referred to the Committee on Institutions

(14) Bill 23

An Act respecting clinical and research activities relating to assisted procreation
Introduced by the Minister of Health and Social Services 18 December 2007
Passed in principle 4 June 2008
Report from the Committee on Social Affairs (hearings) tabled **11 June 2008**

(15) Bill 36

An Act to amend the Act respecting transport infrastructure partnerships and other legislative provisions
Introduced by the Minister of Transport 15 November 2007
Passed in principle **22 November 2007**, and
Referred to the Committee on Transportation and the Environment

(16) Bill 37

An Act giving effect to the Budget Speech delivered on 24 May 2007, to the 1 June 2007 Ministerial Statement Concerning the Government's 2007-2008 Budgetary Policy and to certain other budget statements
Introduced by the Minister of Revenue 4 December 2007
Passed in principle **11 December 2007**, and
Referred to the Committee on Public Finance

(17) Bill 50

An Act to amend the Professional Code and other legislative provisions in the field of mental health and human relations
Introduced by the Minister responsible for the administration of legislation respecting the professions 13 November 2007
Passed in principle 20 November 2007
Report from the Committee on Institutions (hearings) tabled **18 March 2008**

(18) Bill 59

An Act respecting the boundaries of water property in the domain of the State and the protection of wetlands along part of the Rivière Richelieu
Introduced by the Minister of Sustainable Development, Environment and Parks 27 November 2007

Passed in principle **6 December 2007**, and
Referred to the Committee on Transportation and the Environment

(19) Bill 65

An Act respecting the application of the Act to establish a legal framework for information technology

Introduced by the Minister of Government Services 18 December 2007

Passed in principle **4 June 2008**, and
Referred to the Committee on Public Finance

(20) Bill 67

An Act to amend various legislative provisions concerning health

Introduced by the Minister of Health and Social Services 18 December 2007

Passed in principle **13 March 2008**, and
Referred to the Committee on Social Affairs

(21) Bill 79

An Act to amend the Taxation Act, the Act respecting the Québec sales tax and other fiscal legislative provisions

Introduced by the Minister of Revenue 8 May 2008

Passed in principle **27 May 2008**, and
Referred to the Committee on Public Finance

(22) Bill 89

An Act to amend the Act respecting the Québec Pension Plan and other legislative provisions

Introduced by the Minister of Employment and Social Solidarity 20 May 2008

Passed in principle **29 May 2008**, and
Referred to the Committee on Social Affairs

(23) Bill 91

An Act to amend the Courts of Justice Act and the Act respecting municipal courts with regard to court security

Introduced by the Minister of Justice 27 May 2008

Passed in principle **4 June 2008**, and
Referred to the Committee on Institutions

(24) Bill 92

An Act to affirm the collective nature of water resources and provide for increased water resource protection

Introduced by the Minister of Sustainable Development, Environment and Parks 5 June 2008

Passed in principle **17 June 2008**, and

Referred to the Committee on Transportation and the Environment

Report Stage

(25) Bill 41

An Act to foster transparency in the sale of gasoline and diesel fuel

Introduced by the Minister of Natural Resources and Wildlife 20 November 2007

Passed in principle 29 November 2007

Report from the Committee on Labour and the Economy (hearings) tabled 7 December 2007

Report from the Committee on Labour and the Economy tabled **19 December 2007**

(26) Bill 88

An Act to amend the Education Act and the Act respecting school elections

Introduced by the Minister of Education, Recreation and Sports 13 May 2008

Report from the Committee on Education (hearings) tabled 4 June 2008

Passed in principle 6 June 2008

Report from the Committee on Education tabled **19 June 2008**

(27) Bill 98

An Act to amend the Act respecting labour standards principally with regard to reservists

Introduced by the Minister of Labour 18 June 2008

Passed in principle 18 June 2008

Report from the Committee on Labour and the Economy tabled **20 June 2008**

Passage

II. Private Members' Public Bills

Passage in Principle

(28)Bill 190

An Act to repeal the Act to ensure the enlargement of Parc national du Mont-Orford, the preservation of the biodiversity of adjacent lands and the maintenance of recreational tourism activities

Introduced by the Member for Verchères **10 May 2007**

(29)Bill 191

Constitution of Québec

Introduced by the Member for Mercier **22 May 2007**

(30)Bill 192

An Act to amend the Labour Code

Introduced by the Member for Terrebonne **6 June 2007**

(31)Bill 193

An Act to amend the Cinema Act

Introduced by the Member for Berthier 6 June 2007

Resuming the debate adjourned **19 December 2007**

(32)Bill 194

Phosphate-Free Detergents Act

Introduced by the Member for Vachon **30 October 2007**

(33)Bill 195

Québec Identity Act

Introduced by the Member for Charlevoix **18 October 2007**

(34)Bill 196

Québec Constitution

Introduced by the Member for Mercier **18 October 2007**

(35)Bill 390

An Act to amend the Act respecting conditions of employment in the public sector

Introduced by the Member for La Peltrie **24 April 2008**

(36) Bill 391

An Act to declare water a common heritage of the Québec nation
Introduced by the Member for Roberval **12 March 2008**

(37) Bill 392

An Act to again amend the Health Insurance Act
Introduced by the Member for La Peltre **2 April 2008**

(38) Bill 393

An Act respecting the Agence québécoise du cancer
Introduced by the Member for La Peltre **16 April 2008**

(39) Bill 394

An Act to exclude child support payments from income calculation under various social laws
Introduced by the Member for Crémazie **13 May 2008**

(40) Bill 396

An Act to provide a framework for appointments to certain seniors positions
Introduced by the Member for Chauveau **11 June 2008**

(41) Bill 397

An Act to amend the Civil Code as regards adoption
Introduced by the Member for L'Assomption **12 June 2008**

(42) Bill 398

An Act to amend the Municipal Powers Act in order to allow the deferral of property tax increases caused by unequal variations in property values
Introduced by the Member for Abitibi-Ouest **18 June 2008**

Committee Stage

Report Stage

Passage

III. Private Bills

Hearings and Clause-by-Clause Consideration

(43)Bill 201

An Act respecting La Compagnie du cimetière Saint-Charles
Introduced by the Member for Vanier **10 May 2007**, and
Referred to the Committee on Institutions

(44)Bill 205

An Act respecting Municipalité de Caplan
Introduced by the Member for Vimont **10 May 2007**, and
Referred to the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain

(45)Bill 216

An Act to amend the Charter of the City of Laval
Introduced by the Member for Laval-des-Rapides **15 May 2008**, and
Referred to the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain

Passage in Principle

Passage

IV. Government Motions

V. Estimates of Expenditure

VI. Statutory Debates

BUSINESS STANDING IN THE NAME OF MEMBERS IN OPPOSITION

(46)21 October 2008

Motion by the Member for Chauveau :

THAT the Government table in the National Assembly, on or before 25 November 2008, an action plan to attenuate the effects of the economic slowdown. This plan must contain: 1° the measures envisaged to encourage household consumption; 2° the measures to maintain the purchasing power of the middle class; 3° the expectations with regard to the Federal Government concerning an assistance plan for Québec's manufacturing sector and the elements of its monetary policy to counter the credit crunch arising from the financial crisis; 4° the acceleration of projects that are likely to quickly stimulate job creation; 5° the effects of these measures on the budget situation of the Québec Government for the current year and for the preparation of the 2009-2010 budget.

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

Statutory Order

- Hearing of the Auditor General of Québec and the Secretary General of the Conseil exécutif concerning the special report on the use of public funds by the former Lieutenant-Governor.
- Hearing of the Chief Executive Officer of the Société immobilière du Québec concerning planning, awarding of contracts and expenses of executive officers (Chapter 3, Volume III, Auditor General's report, 2007-2008).
- Hearing of the Deputy Minister of Health and Social Services concerning the Dossier de santé du Québec (Chapter 6.2, Volume III, Auditor General's report, 2007-2008).

COMMITTEE ON INSTITUTIONS

Order of reference

- Examine and make a report, no later than 10 October 2008, on the nature and context of the signing of the contract granted to Attractions Hippiques by the Government of Québec and hear all persons that the Commission shall deem necessary (Order of reference given on 14 May 2008) .

Special Consultations:

- Bill 99**, An Act to amend the Code of Civil Procedure to prevent abusive use of the courts and promote citizen participation in public debate (Order of reference given on 19 June 2008).

Consideration of Bills:

- Bill 7**, An Act respecting the Compilation of Québec Laws and Regulations (Order of reference given on 23 October 2007).
- Bill 50**, An Act to amend the Professional Code and other legislative provisions in the field of mental health and human relations (Order of reference given on 20 November 2007).
- Bill 91**, An Act to amend the Courts of Justice Act and the Act respecting municipal courts with regard to court security (Order of reference given on 4 June 2008).
- Bill 201**, An Act respecting La Compagnie du cimetière Saint-Charles (Order of reference given on 10 May 2007).

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC FINANCE

Order of reference

-Hear the members of the working committee to evaluate the cost of pension plan indexation concerning their work no later than 21 October 2008 (Order of reference given on 28 May 2008).

Consideration of Bills:

-Bill 37, An Act giving effect to the Budget Speech delivered on 24 May 2007, to the 1 June 2007 Ministerial Statement Concerning the Government's 2007-2008 Budgetary Policy and to certain other budget statements (Order of reference given on 11 December 2007).

-Bill 65, An Act respecting the application of the Act to establish a legal framework for information technology (Order of reference given on 4 June 2008).

-Bill 79, An Act to amend the Taxation Act, the Act respecting the Québec sales tax and other fiscal legislative provisions (Order of reference given on 27 May 2008).

Statutory order

-Hearing of the Lobbyists Commissioner as regards its annual activity reports for the fiscal years ended 31 March 2003, 31 March 2004, 31 March 2005, 31 March 2006 and 31 March 2007.

-Examination of the Report on the implementation of the *Lobbying Transparency and Ethics Act* and the Code of Conduct for Lobbyists.

Order in compliance with the Standing Orders

Surveillance of the public administration :

-Loto-Québec.

Interpellation :

-By the Member for Richelieu to the Chair of the Conseil du trésor on the following subject : *The 2007-2008 report of the Auditor General of Québec* (notice given on 20 March 2008).

Order of initiative

-Investor protection in Québec.

COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL AFFAIRS

Order of reference

Consideration of Bills:

- Bill 23**, An Act respecting clinical and research activities relating to assisted procreation (Order of reference given on 4 June 2008).
- Bill 67**, An Act to amend various legislative provisions concerning health (Order of reference given on 13 March 2008).
- Bill 89**, An Act to amend the Act respecting the Québec Pension Plan and other legislative provisions (Order of reference given on 29 May 2008).

Statutory Order

-Examination of the annual reports of the Nunavik Regional Board of Health and Social Services 2003-2004 to 2005-2006 (decision of the Committee on Social Affairs on 12 December 2007).

-Examination of the 2006-2007 annual reports of the following health and social services agencies: Montréal, Gaspésie—Îles-de-la-Madeleine and Montérégie (referred 17 October 2007); Lanaudière and Abitibi-Témiscamingue (referred 18 October 2007); Laval, Saguenay—Lac-Saint-Jean and Laurentides (referred 23 October 2007); Nunavik (referred 25 October 2007); Capitale-Nationale and Côte-Nord (referred 30 October 2007).

Order in compliance with the Standing Orders

Surveillance of the public administration :

- Conseil du statut de la femme.
- Régie de l'assurance maladie du Québec.

Order of initiative

- Homelessness in Québec.

COMMITTEE ON LABOUR AND THE ECONOMY

Order of reference

Special Consultations:

- Discussion paper entitled "L'occupation du territoire forestier québécois et la constitution des sociétés d'aménagement des forêts" (Order of reference given on 19 June 2008).

Statutory Order

- Examination of the activity reports of the Fonds national de formation de la main-d'oeuvre for the fiscal years ended 31 March 2004, 31 March 2005, 31 March 2006 and 31 March 2007.

Order in compliance with the Standing Orders

Surveillance of the public administration :

- Fonds de la recherche en santé du Québec.

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FOOD

COMMITTEE ON PLANNING AND THE PUBLIC DOMAIN

Order of reference

Consideration of Bills:

- Bill 205**, An Act respecting Municipalité de Caplan (Order of reference given on 10 May 2007).
- Bill 216**, An Act to amend the Charter of the City of Laval (Order of reference given on 15 May 2008).

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Order of initiative

- Dropping out of school.

COMMITTEE ON CULTURE

Order in compliance with the Standing Orders

Surveillance of the public administration :

- Musée d'art contemporain de Montréal.
- Musée de la civilisation.
- Musée national des beaux-arts du Québec.

Order of initiative

-Examination of the situation as regards the dubbing of films and televised series in Québec, particularly the issues surrounding DVDs and new technologies.

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Order of reference

Special Consultations:

- Bill 92**, An Act to affirm the collective nature of water resources and provide for increased water resource protection (Order of reference given on 13 June 2008).
- Bill 96**, An Act to amend the Act respecting transportation services by taxi (Order of reference given on 19 June 2008).

Consideration of Bills:

- Bill 36**, An Act to amend the Act respecting transport infrastructure partnerships and other legislative provisions (Order of reference given on 22 November 2007).
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- Bill 92**, An Act to affirm the collective nature of water resources and provide for increased water resource protection (Order of reference given on 17 June 2008).

Order in compliance with the Standing Orders

Surveillance of the public administration :

- Société de l'assurance automobile du Québec.

Part 5

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

Questions already placed on the Order Paper
are published each Wednesday

- (5) Mr. Therrien (Terrebonne) – **11 June 2008**
To the Chair of the Conseil du trésor :

Following the tabling of the Bouchard-Taylor Report, an advertising campaign was undertaken by the Government and full pages were bought in Québec's major newspapers.

Would the Minister provide detailed answers to the following questions:

What is the breakdown of expenses of this advertising campaign, including the direct cost of the purchase of each advertising space, the cost of media placement, as well as the amount paid to the communications agency that created the publicity?

Which communications agency was given the mandate to create this publicity?

What is the complete list of newspapers in which the publicity was published, including the publication date or dates?

- (8) Mrs. Méthé (Saint-Jean) – **20 June 2008**
To the Minister of Transport :

Following the municipal amalgamations, the Ministère des Transports had indicated that a comprehensive plan to improve traffic signs along highways had been put into place, seven years ago. However, seven years later, the amounts still have not been set aside to provide the population with adequate information panels on Québec highways.

In the electoral division of Saint-Jean, on Highway 35, the situation raises concerns, as the letters are practically illegible to automobile drivers. The safety of users should be taken into consideration. Furthermore, we must also consider that it is Québec's image that appears on these signs, particularly owing to the geographical location of the city of Saint-Jean, which is an important city for visitors hailing from Vermont and who are entering Québec.

Would the Minister of Transport confirm the existence of this restoration plan?

Would the Minister of Transport give us the exact date on which this situation will be corrected, principally in the strategic areas and where they are most deteriorated?

(9) Mr. Francoeur (Portneuf) – **20 June 2008**

To the Minister responsible for the Capitale-Nationale region :

During the examination of the estimates of expenditure 2008-2009 concerning the estimates of the Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux (3): Promotion and Development component of the Capitale-Nationale, I asked the Minister if he could provide me with more information regarding a doubtful debt of \$634,500 appearing in the amounts granted in 2007-2008 to the Bureau de la Capitale-Nationale. No answer has yet been provided regarding this request.

Would the Minister provide details regarding these doubtful debts?

Part 6

NOTICES

I. NOTICES PREVIOUSLY GIVEN

Government Bills

(a) 21 October 2008

An Act to provide for the implementation of the Entente entre le Québec et la France en matière de reconnaissance mutuelle des qualifications professionnelles – *Minister responsible for the administration of legislation respecting the professions.*

Private Members' Bills

(b) 8 November 2007

An Act to again amend the Labour Code – *Member for Terrebonne*.

Private Bills

II. NOTICES APPEARING FOR THE FIRST TIME

(aa) An Act to amend the Courts of Justice Act – *Minister of Justice*.