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## **Order Paper and Notices**

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**President of the National Assembly:  
Mr. Jacques Chagnon**

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**QUÉBEC**



Part 1

**ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS**

**STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS**

- The Member for Vimont on the following subject: *Congratulations to Mr. Pierre Bolduc, who was awarded the Prix de reconnaissance des bénévoles en matière de véhicules hors route, snowmobile category.*
- The Member for Sanguinet on the following subject: *35<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Centre de femmes l'Éclaircie.*
- The Member for Sainte-Rose on the following subject: *Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Day.*
- The Member for Beauce-Nord on the following subject: *Underline the 350<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Grondin family's presence in America.*
- The Member for Ungava on the following subject: *Tribute to Jaaji Okpik, who triumphed at the Indigenous Music Awards.*
- The Member for Gaspé on the following subject: *Congratulations to Mrs. Anne Sohier, of Marsoui, 2015 recipient of the Dollard-Morin award for the Gaspésie–Îles-de-la-Madeleine region.*
- The Member for Charlevoix–Côte-de-Beaupré on the following subject: *Place aux jeunes Charlevoix organization celebrates its 25 years of involvement in the region.*
- The Member for Mirabel on the following subject: *Tribute to Roland Joannin, a prominent agronomist in our region.*
- The Member for Laval-des-Rapides on the following subject: *Congratulations to the winners of the merit scholarships awarded by the Fondation du Collège Montmorency.*
- The Member for Rivière-du-Loup–Témiscouata on the following subject: *Tribute to the members of the school safety patrol of Rivière-du-Loup.*

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**I. Government Bills**

*Passage in Principle*

**(1) 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**

**(2) Bill 49**

An Act to implement the Accord Between the Government of Canada and the Government of Quebec for the Joint Management of Petroleum Resources in the Gulf of St. Lawrence

Introduced by the Minister of Energy and Natural Resources on **11 June 2015**

**(3) Bill 53**

An Act to update the Act respecting collective agreement decrees mainly to facilitate its application and enhance the transparency and accountability of parity committees

Introduced by the Minister of Labour, Employment and Social Solidarity on **26 May 2015**

- (4) Bill 56\*  
Lobbying Transparency Act  
Introduced by the Minister responsible for Access to Information and the Reform of Democratic Institutions on **12 June 2015**

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**\* Recommendation of the Lieutenant-Governor**

- (5) Bill 57  
An Act to amend the Supplemental Pension Plans Act mainly with respect to the funding of defined benefit pension plans  
Introduced by the Minister of Labour, Employment and Social Solidarity on **11 June 2015**
- (6) Bill 59  
An Act to enact the Act to prevent and combat hate speech and speech inciting violence and to amend various legislative provisions to better protect individuals  
Introduced by the Minister of Justice on 10 June 2015  
Report from the Committee on Institutions (consultations) tabled on **24 September 2015**
- (7) Bill 62  
An Act to foster adherence to State religious neutrality and, in particular, to provide a framework for religious accommodation requests in certain bodies  
Introduced by the Minister of Justice on **10 June 2015**
- (8) Bill 63  
An Act respecting inmate identity verification through fingerprinting  
Introduced by the Minister of Public Security on **28 October 2015**
- (9) Bill 66  
Funeral Operations Act  
Introduced by the Minister of Health and Social Services on **22 October 2015**
- (10) Bill 67  
An Act mainly to improve the regulation of tourist accommodation  
Introduced by the Minister of Tourism on **22 October 2015**

*Committee Stage*

**(11) 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

Report from the Committee on Health and Social Services (consultations) tabled on 26 March 2015

Division deferred on 19 May 2015

Passed in principle on **20 May 2015**, and

Referred to the Committee on Health and Social Services

**(12) Bill 44**

An Act to bolster tobacco control

Introduced by the Minister for Rehabilitation, Youth Protection and Public Health on 5 May 2015

Report from the Committee on Health and Social Services (consultations) tabled on 15 September 2015

Passed in principle on **23 September 2015**, and

Referred to the Committee on Health and Social Services

**(13) Bill 51**

An Act mainly to make the administration of justice more efficient and fines for minors more deterrent

Introduced by the Minister of Justice on 3 June 2015

Report from the Committee on Institutions (consultations) tabled on 24 September 2015

Passed in principle on **29 September 2015**, and

Referred to the Committee on Institutions

**(14) Bill 54**

An Act to improve the legal situation of animals

Introduced by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on 5 June 2015

Report from the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries, Energy and Natural Resources (consultations) tabled on 7 October 2015

Passed in principle on **8 October 2015**, and

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries, Energy and Natural Resources

*Report Stage*

*Passage*

## **II. Private Members' Public Bills**

*Passage in Principle*

**(15)**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**

**(16)**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**

**(17)**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**

**(18)**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**

**(19)**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**

**(20)**Bill 196

An Act to amend the Public Protector Act

Introduced by the Member for Deux-Montagnes on **1 October 2014**



- (21) Bill 197  
An Act to reduce medication procurement costs in Québec  
Introduced by the Member for Mercier on **17 February 2015**
- (22) 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**
- (23) Bill 392  
An Act respecting zero-GHG-emission motor vehicles  
Introduced by the Member for Vachon on **15 April 2015**
- (24) 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  
Resuming the debate adjourned on **11 June 2015**
- (25) 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**
- (26) Bill 395  
Religious Fundamentalism Observer Act  
Introduced by the Member for Taschereau on **11 February 2015**
- (27) Bill 396  
Parliamentary Budget Officer Act  
Introduced by the Member for Granby on **19 February 2015**
- (28) Bill 397  
Parliamentary Budget Officer Act  
Introduced by the Member for Rousseau on **26 February 2015**
- (29) Bill 398  
An Act to amend the Act respecting the conditions of employment and the pension plan of the Members of the National Assembly  
Introduced by the Member for Verchères on **18 March 2015**

**(30)**Bill 399

An Act to exclude child support payments from income calculation under various social laws

Introduced by the Member for Sainte-Marie–Saint-Jacques on **18 March 2015**

**(31)**Bill 490

An Act to amend the Act respecting the conditions of employment and the pension plan of the Members of the National Assembly as regards the transition allowance

Introduced by the Member for Deux-Montagnes on **18 March 2015**

**(32)**Bill 491

An Act to put an end to accessory costs by amending various legislative provisions

Introduced by the Member for Taillon on **21 October 2015**

**(33)**Bill 494

Taxpayer Protection Act

Introduced by the Member for Granby on **28 May 2015**

**(34)**Bill 496

Whistleblower Protection Act

Introduced by the Member for Sainte-Marie–Saint-Jacques on **22 October 2015**

*Committee Stage*

**(35)**Bill 492

An Act to amend the Civil Code to protect seniors' rights as lessees

Introduced by the Member for Gouin on 21 May 2015

Passed in principle on 4 June 2015

Report from the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain (consultations) tabled on **23 September 2015**

*Report Stage*

*Passage*

### **III. Private Bills**

#### *Hearings and Clause-by-Clause Consideration*

**(36)**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

**(37)**Bill 209

An Act respecting Ville de Mascouche  
Introduced by the Member for Masson on **14 May 2015**, and  
Referred to the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain

**(38)**Bill 210

An Act concerning an immovable situated in the territory of Ville de  
Québec  
Introduced by the Member for Vanier-Les Rivières on **16 September 2015**,  
and  
Referred to the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain

**(39)**Bill 212

An Act respecting Ville de Saguenay  
Introduced by the Member for Dubuc on **28 October 2015**, 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**

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**

Inquiry arising from the motion moved by the Official Opposition House Leader and Member for Taschereau pursuant to Standing Orders 315 to 321.

**COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION**

**Order in compliance with the Standing Orders**

- Hearing on the administrative management of the Commission des libérations conditionnelles
- Hearing on the administrative management of the Régie des marchés agricoles et alimentaires du Québec.
- Hearing on the administrative management of the Ministère du Conseil exécutif.
- Hearing on Chapter 4 of the Auditor General's Spring 2015 Report, concerning the compensation and rehabilitation of workers who sustain an employment injury.
- Hearing on Chapter 6 of the Auditor General's Spring 2015 Report, concerning the management by the Ministère de l'Agriculture, des Pêcheries et de l'Alimentation of contracts presenting risk situations.
- Hearing on Chapter 3 of the Sustainable Development Commissioner's Spring 2015 Report, concerning the application of the law with regard to dam safety and operation.
- Hearing on the administrative management and financial commitments of the Ministère de la Sécurité publique.
- Hearing on the administrative management and financial commitments of the Commission de la fonction publique.
- Hearing on the administrative management of the Institut de tourisme et d'hôtellerie du Québec.

## COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES, ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

### **Order of reference**

#### Consideration of Bills:

- **Bill 54**, An Act to improve the legal situation of animals (Order of reference given on 8 October 2015).

### **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).
- **Bill 209**, An Act respecting Ville de Mascouche (Order of reference given on 14 May 2015).
- **Bill 210**, An Act concerning an immovable situated in the territory of Ville de Québec (Order of reference given on 16 September 2015).
- **Bill 212**, An Act respecting Ville de Saguenay (Order of reference given on 28 October 2015).
- **Bill 492**, An Act to amend the Civil Code to protect seniors' rights as lessees (Order of reference given on 4 June 2015).

### **Statutory order**

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

### **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 d'habitation du Québec.

### **COMMITTEE ON CULTURE AND EDUCATION**

### **Order in compliance with the Standing Orders**

#### Interpellation:

- By the Member for Lac-Saint-Jean to the Minister of Education, Higher Education and Research on the following subject: *The widespread loss of confidence in the Minister of Education, Higher Education and Research.* (notice given on 22 October 2015).

### **COMMITTEE ON LABOUR AND THE ECONOMY**

### **Order of reference**

#### Special Consultations:

- **Bill 57**, An Act to amend the Supplemental Pension Plans Act mainly with respect to the funding of defined benefit pension plans (Order of reference given on 6 October 2015).
- **Bill 67**, An Act mainly to improve the regulation of tourist accommodation (Order of reference given on 27 October 2015).

### **COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC FINANCE**

### **Order of initiative**

- The tax havens phenomenon.

## COMMITTEE ON INSTITUTIONS

### **Order of reference**

#### Consideration of Bills:

- **Bill 51**, An Act mainly to make the administration of justice more efficient and fines for minors more deterrent (Order of reference given on 29 September 2015).

### **Statutory order**

- Examination of the report on the implementation of the Code of ethics and conduct of the Members of the National Assembly.

### **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 initiative**

- Aboriginal women's living conditions as affected by sexual assault and domestic violence.

## COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

### **Order of reference**

#### Consideration of Bills:

- **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 20 May 2015).
- **Bill 44**, An Act to bolster tobacco control (Order of reference given on 23 September 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**

#### 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.

### **Order of initiative**

- The living conditions of adults staying in residential and long-term care centres.



## COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND THE ENVIRONMENT

### **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**

Questions already placed on the Order Paper  
are published each Wednesday

(106) Mr. Bonnardel (Granby) – **29 October 2015**

To the Minister of Finance

Last 21 October, the Ministère des Finances replied to a request for information submitted by the Second Opposition Group concerning tax holidays for large investment projects (C2i).

More specifically, information was requested in relation to the number of projects and the value of the investment they represent, as well as the value of the tax holiday for each project, broken down by year and by sector. Furthermore, we requested information concerning the reasons for refusals with regard to projects that did not qualify.

The Ministère des Finances replied that the number of requests or C2i attestations obtained could neither be disclosed per year, nor per sector and region, on the pretext that because of the small number of projects involved, this would reveal project identity and disclose what it considers to be "tax secrecy associated with promoters".

Concerning unqualified projects, the Ministère assures us that the reason for refusal stems from the investment project's failure to meet one of the eligibility criteria, but it refuses to send us this information, on the pretext that it is "confidential since it is associated with financial and tax information belonging to project promoters."

The Ministère also refuses to tell us the value of the projects that were retained, because it believes this financial and tax information would be used to estimate the value of the tax holiday.

Does the Minister of Finance agree with his department's very restrictive application of the provisions of the *Act respecting Access to documents held by public bodies* and with this refusal to provide us with access to the information requested?

Does he think this way of doing things is in the public's best interest and does he find it normal that the public can't even obtain the list of projects having benefitted from the C2i tax holiday, their value and their distribution per year, per sector and per region, when a large amount of public funds is involved?

Lastly, can he acknowledge the legitimacy and relevance of our request and give us access to the requested information, as from 2012, per sector and per year:

- The number and value of projects having requested a tax holiday;
- The number and value of projects having obtained a tax holiday;
- The reasons for refusal of projects that did not qualify;
- The value of the tax holidays granted, per project and in total.

Part 6  
**NOTICES**

**I. NOTICES PREVIOUSLY GIVEN**

**Government Bills**

**Private Members' Public Bills**

**Private Bills**

- (a) 28 October 2015  
An Act respecting Municipalité régionale de comté Les Moulins – *Member for Terrebonne.*

**Interpellations**

- (b) 28 October 2015  
Interpellation by the Member for Gouin to the Minister of Education, Higher Education and Research on the following subject: *Education, a top priority in Québec where all children must be educated under conditions that allow them to reach their full potential.*

**II. NOTICES APPEARING FOR THE FIRST TIME**

- (aa) An Act respecting mainly the implementation of recommendations of the pension committee of certain public sector pension plans – *Minister responsible for Government Administration and Ongoing Program Review and Chair of the Conseil du trésor.*
- (bb) An Act to address the findings of the report of the appellate panel established under the Agreement on Internal Trade regarding section 4.1 of the Food Products Act – *Minister of the Economy, Innovation and Exports.*
- (cc) Interpellation by the Member for Mirabel to the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on the following subject: *The issues and challenges facing the agricultural sector in Québec.*