

Order Paper and Notices

of the Assembly

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President of the National Assembly: Mr. Jacques Chagnon

QUÉBEC

Part 1

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

- The Member for Vanier-Les Rivières on the following subject: *Underline the prize won by the Club de soccer Phénix des Rivières.*
- The Member for Bonaventure on the following subject: Congratulations to Maximum 90 broadcaster in Carleton on having been nominated at the RIDEAU awards.
- The Member for Laval-des-Rapides on the following subject: *Congratulations to Diapason-Jeunesse organization.*
- The Member for Borduas on the following subject: *The contribution of the Comptoir d'entraide de Saint-Jean-Baptiste*.
- The Member for Mille-Îles on the following subject: Underline the fourth edition of the Fondation Jasmin Roy benefit concert against bullying in schools.
- The Member for Sainte-Marie–Saint-Jacques on the following subject: *School perseverance.*
- The Member for Bourassa-Sauvé on the following subject: Congratulations to Mrs. Michaela Di Cesare on the success of her play In Search of Mrs. Pirandello.
- The Member for Granby on the following subject: *The Olympiades de la formation professionnelle, a wonderful challenge to take up!*
- The Member for Nelligan on the following subject: Underline the 20th anniversary of the Mérite québécois de la sécurité civile et incendie.
- The Member for Richelieu on the following subject: 2nd edition of the Course de canot à glace de Sorel-Tracy.

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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**

* Recommendation of the Lieutenant-Governor

(5) 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**

(6) Bill 63

An Act respecting inmate identity verification through fingerprinting Introduced by the Minister of Public Security on **28 October 2015**

(7) Bill 64

Firearms Registration Act Introduced by the Mr. Moreau, Acting Minister of Public Security, on **3 December 2015**

(8) Bill 70

An Act to allow a better match between training and jobs and to facilitate labour market entry

Introduced by the Minister of Labour, Employment and Social Solidarity on **10 November 2015**

(9) Bill 72

An Act respecting the suspension of school by-elections Introduced by the Minister of Education, Higher Education and Research on 11 November 2015

(10)Bill 75

An Act respecting the restructuring of university-sector defined benefit pension plans and amending various legislative provisions

Introduced by the Minister of Labour, Employment and Social Solidarity on **11 November 2015**

(**11**)Bill 77

Québec Immigration Act Introduced by the Minister of Immigration, Diversity and Inclusiveness on 2 December 2015

(12)Bill 79

An Act to give effect to the report of the L'Heureux-Dubé independent committee and to introduce the conditions of employment of the Members of the National Assembly as of the 42nd Legislature

Introduced by the Government House Leader and Minister responsible for Access to Information and the Reform of Democratic Institutions

on 12 November 2015

* Recommendation of the Lieutenant-Governor

(13)Bill 81

An Act to reduce the cost of certain medications covered by the basic prescription drug insurance plan by allowing calls for tender

Introduced by the Minister of Health and Social Services on 24 November 2015

(14)Bill 83

An Act to amend various municipal-related legislative provisions concerning such matters as political financing

Introduced by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Land Occupancy on **1 December 2015**

(15)Bill 85

An Act to establish two logistics hubs and an economic development corridor along Autoroute 30 and develop the industrial port zones in the Montréal metropolitan area

Introduced by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Land Occupancy on **4 December 2015**

(16)Bill 86

An Act to modify the organization and governance of school boards to give schools a greater say in decision-making and ensure parents' presence within each school board's decision-making body

Introduced by the Minister of Education, Higher Education and Research on **4 December 2015**

(**17**)Bill 87

An Act to facilitate the disclosure of wrongdoings within public bodies Introduced by the Minister responsible for Government Administration and Ongoing Program Review and Chair of the Conseil du trésor on 2 December 2015

(18)Bill 88

An Act respecting development of the small-scale alcoholic beverage industry

Introduced by the Minister of Finance on 3 December 2015

(19)Bill 89

An Act to ensure better consistency between the French and English texts of the Civil Code

Introduced by the Minister of Justice on 16 February 2016

Committee Stage

(**20**)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 Passed in principle on **19 November 2015**, and Referred to the Committee on Institutions

(21)Bill 74

An Act respecting mainly the implementation of certain provisions of the Budget Speech of 26 March 2015 Introduced by the Minister of Finance on 12 November 2015 Passed in principle on **19 November 2015**, and Referred to the Committee on Public Finance

(**22**)Bill 76

An Act to modify the organization and governance of shared transportation in the Montréal metropolitan region Introduced by the Minister of Transport on 12 November 2015 Report from the Committee on Transportation and the Environment (consultations) tabled on 27 November 2015 Passed in principle on **1 December 2015**, and Referred to the Committee on Transportation and the Environment

Report Stage

Passage

(23)Bill 66

Funeral Operations Act

Introduced by the Minister of Health and Social Services on 22 October 2015

Report from the Committee on Health and Social Services (consultations) tabled on 1 December 2015

Passed in principle on 2 December 2015

Report from the Committee on Health and Social Services adopted on 11 February 2016

(24)Bill 82

An Act to proclaim Memorial Day for Crimes Against Humanity Committed in Cambodia Between 1975 and 1979

Introduced by the Minister of Immigration, Diversity and Inclusiveness on 27 November 2015

Passed in principle on 4 December 2015

Report from the Committee of the Whole adopted on 4 December 2015

II. Private Members' Public Bills

Passage in Principle

(25)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**

(**26**)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

(27)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**

(28)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

(29)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**

(30)Bill 196

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

(31)Bill 197

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

(32)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**

(33)Bill 392

An Act respecting zero-GHG-emission motor vehicles Introduced by the Member for Vachon on **15 April 2015**

(**34**)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

(35)Bill 395

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

(36)Bill 396

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

(37)Bill 397

Parliamentary Budget Officer Act Introduced by the Member for Rousseau on **26 February 2015**

(**38**)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**

(39)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

(40)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

(41)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

(42)Bill 494

Taxpayer Protection Act Introduced by the Member for Granby on **28 May 2015**

(43)Bill 495

An Act to amend the Act respecting lotteries, publicity contests and amusement machines

Introduced by the Member for Granby on **3 December 2015**

(44)Bill 496

Whistleblower Protection Act Introduced by the Member for Sainte-Marie–Saint-Jacques on 22 October 2015

(45)Bill 497

Inmate Pay-for-Stay Act Introduced by the Member for Beauce-Nord on **4 November 2015**

(46)Bill 498

An Act to amend the Act respecting the Société des alcools du Québec and the Act respecting liquor permits to create a farmer-distiller's permit Introduced by the Member for Granby on **26 November 2015**

Committee Stage

(**47**)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

(48)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

(49)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

(50)Bill 211

An Act respecting Municipalité régionale de comté Les Moulins Introduced by the Member for Terrebonne on **29 October 2015**, and Referred to the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain

(51)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

(**52**)Bill 214

An Act respecting Ville de Drummondville Introduced by the Member for Drummond–Bois-Francs on **12 November 2015**, and Referred to the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain

(53)Bill 215

An Act respecting Municipalité de Sainte-Anne-de-Sorel Introduced by the Member for Richelieu on **12 November 2015**, and Referred to the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain

Passage in Principle

Passage

IV. Government Motions

(54)16 February 2016

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 agreement on social security between the Government of Québec and the Government of the Republic of Korea, signed in Québec City on 24 November 2015.

In compliance with section 22.3 of the *Act respecting the Ministère des Relations internationales*, this motion cannot be debated before 26 February 2016.

V. Estimates of Expenditure

VI. Statutory Debates

BUSINESS STANDING IN THE NAME OF MEMBERS IN OPPOSITION

(55)16 February 2016

Motion by the Member for Saint-Hyacinthe:

THAT the National Assembly acknowledge the adverse effects of deciding to terminate the Québec Government's contractual commitments with respect to oil and gas exploration on Anticosti Island;

THAT it recognize that such a breach in contract on the Québec Government's part could entail significant contractual penalties and legal action representing millions of dollars;

THAT it demand that the Government honour its contractual obligations by allowing the exploration projects aimed at assessing Anticosti Island's oil and gas potential to be completed.

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

- Hearing on the administrative management and financial commitments of the Ministère de la Sécurité publique.
- Hearing on the administrative management of the Régie du logement.
- Hearing on the administrative management and financial commitments of the Ministère du Développement économique, de l'Innovation et de l'Exportation.
- Hearing on the Auditor General's 2014-2015 annual management report and financial commitments.
- Hearing of the Régie de l'assurance maladie on chapter 3 of the Auditor General's fall 2015 report entitled "Physician Compensation: Administration and Control".
- Hearing on the Auditor General's special audit report entitled "Information Technology Contracts".
- Hearing on the administrative management and financial commitments of the Ministère de la Famille and as a follow-up to chapter 5 of the Auditor General's fall 2011 report entitled "Educational Childcare Services: Quality, Performance and Reporting".
- Hearing to follow up on Chapter 4 of the Sustainable Development Commissioner's Spring 2014 report, concerning Green Fund management and financial assistance.

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES, ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

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 211, An Act respecting Municipalité régionale de comté Les Moulins (Order of reference given on 29 October 2015).
- Bill 212, An Act respecting Ville de Saguenay (Order of reference given on 28 October 2015).
- **Bill 214**, An Act respecting Ville de Drummondville (Order of reference given on 12 November 2015).
- Bill 215, An Act respecting Municipalité de Sainte-Anne-de-Sorel (Order of reference given on 12 November 2015).
- **Bill 492**, An Act to amend the Civil Code to protect seniors' rights as lessees (Order of reference given on 4 June 2015).

Special Consultations:

 Bill 83, An Act to amend various municipal-related legislative provisions concerning such matters as political financing (Order of reference given on 16 February 2016).

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.

Interpellation:

- By the Member for Jonquière to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Land Occupancy on the following subject: *The Government's inaction on infrastructure, its cuts in our regions' development tools and the lack of an economic plan to revitalize Québec's economy* (notice given on 11 February 2016).

COMMITTEE ON CULTURE AND EDUCATION

Order of reference

Special Consultations:

 Bill 86, An Act to modify the organization and governance of school boards to give schools a greater say in decision-making and ensure parents' presence within each school board's decision-making body (Order of reference given on 11 February 2016).

COMMITTEE ON LABOUR AND THE ECONOMY

Order of reference

Special Consultations:

- Bill 70, An Act to allow a better match between training and jobs and to facilitate labour market entry (Order of reference given on 25 November 2015).
- Bill 75, An Act respecting the restructuring of university-sector defined benefit pension plans and amending various legislative provisions (Order of reference given on 24 November 2015).

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC FINANCE

Order of reference

Consideration of Bills:

 Bill 74, An Act respecting mainly the implementation of certain provisions of the Budget Speech of 26 March 2015 (Order of reference given on 19 November 2015).

Special Consultations:

- **Bill 87,** An Act to facilitate the disclosure of wrongdoings within public bodies (Order of reference given on 9 February 2016).
- **Bill 88,** An Act respecting development of the small-scale alcoholic beverage industry (Order of reference given on 9 February 2016).

Order of initiative

- The tax havens phenomenon.

COMMITTEE ON INSTITUTIONS

Order of reference

Consideration of Bills:

 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 (Order of reference given on 19 November 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.

COMMITTEE ON CITIZEN RELATIONS

Order of reference

Special Consultations:

- **Bill 77**, Québec Immigration Act (Order of reference given on 9 February 2016).

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

Special Consultations:

 Bill 81, An Act to reduce the cost of certain medications covered by the basic prescription drug insurance plan by allowing calls for tender (Order of reference given on 9 February 2016).

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

Order of reference

Consideration of Bills:

 Bill 76, An Act to modify the organization and governance of shared transportation in the Montréal metropolitan region (Order of reference given on 1 December 2015).

Special Consultations:

 Backgrounder on passenger transportation by automobile for remuneration (Order of reference given on 16 February 2016).

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

(125) Mrs. Poirier (Hochelaga-Maisonneuve) – **9 February 2016** To the Premier

We would like to receive a copy of the following documents concerning the Premier's participation in the mission to Davos in January 2016:

- 1. The list of persons who accompanied the Premier;
- 2. The overall expenses related to the mission as well as to its preparation, and charged to the Ministère du Conseil exécutif;
- 3. The Premier's entire mission agenda;
- 4. The list of all persons met as well as a copy of their business cards;

- 5. For each working meeting held by the Premier, we would like to have: the list of persons present, the location, the duration, th e details of expenses incurred, the subject and minutes, as well as the commitments made by each party (regarding employment, salaries, benefits to Québec, etc.);
- 6. The Premier's complete itinerary along with the details of the mode of transportation used and the costs thereof;
- 7. The list of official announcements with their economic benefits for Québec.
- (126) Mrs. Poirier (Hochelaga-Maisonneuve) 9 February 2016 To the Premier

We would like to receive a copy of the following documents concerning the Premier's participation in the mission to Milan in January 2016:

- 1. The list of persons who accompanied the Premier;
- 2. The overall expenses related to the mission as well as to its preparation, and charged to the Ministère du Conseil exécutif;
- 3. The Premier's entire mission agenda;
- 4. The list of all persons met as well as a copy of their business cards;
- 5. For each working meeting held by the Premier, we would like to have: the list of persons present, the location, the duration, the details of expenses incurred, the subject and minutes, as well as the commitments made by each party (regarding employment, salaries, benefits to Québec, etc.);
- 6. The Premier's complete itinerary along with the details of the mode of transportation used and the costs thereof;
- 7. The list of official announcements with their economic benefits for Québec.

(127) Mrs. Poirier (Hochelaga-Maisonneuve) – **9 February 2016** To the Minister of the Economy, Science and Innovation

We would like to receive a copy of the following documents concerning the participation of the former Minister of the Economy, Innovation and Exports and Member for Verdun in the mission to Davos in January 2016:

- 1. The list of persons who accompanied the Minister;
- The overall expenses related to the mission as well as to its preparation, and charged to the Ministère de l'Économie, de l'Innovation et des Exportations;
- 3. The Minister's entire mission agenda;
- 4. The list of all persons met as well as a copy of their business cards;
- 5. For each working meeting held by the Minister, we would like to have: the list of persons present, the location, the duration, the details of expenses incurred, the subject and minutes, as well as the commitments made by each party (regarding employment, salaries, benefits to Québec, etc.);
- 6. The Minister's complete itinerary along with the details of the mode of transportation used and the costs thereof;
- 7. The list of official announcements with their economic benefits for Québec.
- (128) Mrs. Poirier (Hochelaga-Maisonneuve) **9 February 2016** To the Minister of the Economy, Science and Innovation

We would like to receive a copy of the following documents concerning the participation of the former Minister of the Economy, Innovation and Exports and Member for Verdun in the mission to Detroit in January 2016:

- 1. The list of persons who accompanied the Minister;
- The overall expenses related to the mission as well as to its preparation, and charged to the Ministère de l'Économie, de l'Innovation et des Exportations;

- 3. The Minister's entire mission agenda;
- 4. The list of all persons met as well as a copy of their business cards;
- 5. For each working meeting held by the Minister, we would like to have: the list of persons present, the location, the duration, the details of expenses incurred, the subject and minutes, as well as the commitments made by each party (regarding employment, salaries, benefits to Québec, etc.);
- 6. The Minister's complete itinerary along with the details of the mode of transportation used and the costs thereof;
- 7. The list of official announcements with their economic benefits for Québec.
- Mrs. Poirier (Hochelaga-Maisonneuve) 9 February 2016
 To the Minister of the Economy, Science and Innovation

We would like to receive a copy of the following documents concerning the participation of the former Minister of the Economy, Innovation and Exports and Member for Verdun in the mission to Brussels in January 2016:

- 1. The list of persons who accompanied the Minister;
- 2. The overall expenses related to the mission as well as to its preparation, and charged to the Ministère de l'Économie, de l'Innovation et des Exportations;
- 3. The Minister's entire mission agenda;
- 4. The list of all persons met as well as a copy of their business cards;
- 5. For each working meeting held by the Minister, we would like to have: the list of persons present, the location, the duration, the details of expenses incurred, the subject and minutes, as well as the commitments made by each party (regarding employment, salaries, benefits to Québec, etc.);

- 6. The Minister's complete itinerary along with the details of the mode of transportation used and the costs thereof;
- 7. The list of official announcements with their economic benefits for Québec.
- (130) Mrs. Poirier (Hochelaga-Maisonneuve) 9 February 2016
 To the Minister of International Relations and La Francophonie

We would like to receive a copy of the following documents concerning the participation of the Minister of International Relations and La Francophonie in the mission to France and Belgium in January 2016:

- 1. The list of persons who accompanied the Minister;
- 2. The overall expenses related to the mission as well as to its preparation, and charged to the Ministère des Relations internationales et de La Francophonie;
- 3. The Minister's entire mission agenda;
- 4. The list of all persons met as well as a copy of their business cards;
- 5. For each working meeting held by the Minister, we would like to have: the list of persons present, the location, the duration, the details of expenses incurred, the subject and minutes, as well as the commitments made by each party (regarding employment, salaries, benefits to Québec, etc.);
- 6. The Minister's complete itinerary along with the details of the mode of transportation used and the costs thereof;
- 7. The list of official announcements with their economic benefits for Québec.

(131) Mrs. Maltais (Taschereau) – 9 February 2016 To the Minister of Justice

Within the framework of the clause-by-clause consideration of 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, the Minister of Justice often explained that the bill had been modeled on foreign legislation providing a framework for hate speech.

When questioned about this on 2 December 2015, she replied that Bill 59 indeed aims to provide a framework for hate speech and for speech inciting violence, that a good number of legislatures worldwide have done this, and that we are also responding to a specific request made by the Commission des droits de la personne et de la jeunesse for this type of speech to be regulated by Québec law.

Considering that hate speech is already prohibited under the Criminal Code of Canada, and in order to support her comments, would the Minister of Justice table the list of jurisdictions (and the relevant legislation) that provide a hate speech framework in both their criminal law and criminal offences, as she is about to do with Bill 59?

(132) Mr. Martel (Nicolet-Bécancour) – 10 February 2016 To the Minister for Maritime Affairs

Last November, I asked the Minister for Maritime Affairs for data concerning passenger and vehicle traffic regarding the Québec-Lévis, Sorel-Tracy–Saint-Ignace-de-Loyola, Matane–Baie-Comeau–Godbout and Tadoussac–Baie-Sainte-Catherine ferries for the period from 1 June to 1 November 2015. The Minister showed transparency by providing the requested information.

To ensure a follow-up to this request, can the Minister provide an overview of traffic regarding these ferries for each of the months November 2014 to February 2015?

Can the Minister clearly indicate, for each of these ferries:

- How many cars were transported between 1 November and 1 December 2015, between 1 December 2015 and 1 January 2016, between 1 January 2016 and 1 February 2016 in comparison with each of the same periods of the previous year?
- How many passengers were transported between 1 November and 1 December 2015, between 1 December 2015 and 1 January 2016, between 1 January 2016 and 1 February 2016 in comparison with each of the same periods of the previous year?
- (133) Mr. Martel (Nicolet-Bécancour) 10 February 2016 To the Minister for Maritime Affairs

One of the strategic directions outlined in the Government's 2015-2020 Action Plan of the Maritime Strategy (Chapter 4, Priority 2) aims to "increase top-up funding from the private sector in port sites by modernizing them and expanding their capacity."

Can the Minister tell me by how much, in dollars, the top-up funding from the private sector in Québec port sites increased? Can he provide the amounts and the relative share of private sector funding in the various port sites of Québec for each of the years 2014-2015 and 2015-2016, as well as the forecasts and/or objectives for the years 2016-2017, 2017-2018, 2018-2019 and 2019-2020?

 (134) Mr. Martel (Nicolet-Bécancour) – 10 February 2016 To the Minister for Maritime Affairs

> One of the strategic directions outlined in the Government's 2015-2020 Action Plan of the Maritime Strategy (Chapter 4, Priority 4) aims to "pinpoint other financial means to help the shipbuilding industry, in particular alternatives to the surety and guarantees respecting shipbuilding."

> Can the Minister tell me what action was taken to achieve this direction? What other financial measures were identified to help the shipbuilding industry? Which were implemented and in what form?

Did the Minister and his secretariat have any discussions with the Ministère de l'Économie or Investissement Québec regarding this matter and what were the tangible results of these exchanges?

(135) Mr. Martel (Nicolet-Bécancour) – 10 February 2016 To the Minister for Maritime Affairs

One of the strategic directions outlined in the Government's 2015-2020 Action Plan of the Maritime Strategy (Chapter 4, Priority 4) aims to "work with the federal government to ensure that Québec shipyards participate in the renewal of the Canadian ship fleet."

Can the Minister tell me what action was taken to achieve this direction? Since the Maritime Strategy was launched, what are the new projects through which Québec shipyards participate in the renewal of the Canadian ship fleet? What is the value and what are the estimated spin-offs of these projects?

Furthermore, what exchanges did the Minister and his secretariat have with federal government representatives within the framework of this direction?

(136) Mr. Martel (Nicolet-Bécancour) – 10 February 2016 To the Minister for Maritime Affairs

> One of the strategic directions outlined in the Government's 2015-2020 Action Plan of the Maritime Strategy (Chapter 5, Priority 2) aims to "pursue efforts to implement integrated risk management related to potential maritime incidents in a spirit of respect for the approach and principles of Québec's civil protection system."

> Can the Minister tell me what action was taken to achieve this direction? Since the Maritime Strategy was launched, what work has been carried out involving which departments, agencies and levels of government?

> Furthermore, what exchanges did the Minister and his secretariat have with federal government representatives, municipalities and other government departments and agencies within the framework of this direction?

 (137) Mr. Martel (Nicolet-Bécancour) – 10 February 2016 To the Minister for Maritime Affairs

> One of the strategic directions outlined in the Government's 2015-2020 Action Plan of the Maritime Strategy (Chapter 6, Priority 1) aims to "support small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in the maritime sector, especially through a reduction of their tax burden."

> Can the Minister tell me what action was taken to achieve this direction? Since the Maritime Strategy was launched, what has the government specifically done to support SMEs in the maritime sector and to reduce their tax burden?

(138) Mr. Martel (Nicolet-Bécancour) – 10 February 2016 To the Minister for Maritime Affairs

> One of the strategic directions outlined in the Government's 2015-2020 Action Plan of the Maritime Strategy (Chapter 6, Priority 2) aims to "work in cooperation with the federal government and the local communities concerned to resolve problems related to marine infrastructure in Nunavik, i.e. their maintenance and rehabilitation, where warranted."

> Since the Maritime Strategy was launched, what has the government specifically done to resolve problems related to marine infrastructure in Nunavik? What projects have been identified and/or carried out to resolve these problems?

Furthermore, what exchanges did the Minister and his secretariat have with federal government representatives and local communities concerned to resolve these problems within the framework of this direction?

 (139) Mr. Martel (Nicolet-Bécancour) – 10 February 2016 To the Minister for Maritime Affairs

> One of the strategic directions outlined in the Government's 2015-2020 Action Plan of the Maritime Strategy (Chapter 6, Priority 3) aims to "examine how the Îles-de-la-Madeleine's unique character can be properly recognized in government action, public service offerings and its official designation."

Within the framework of the implementation of this direction, what action did the government take to examine how the Îles-de-la-Madeleine's unique character can be properly recognized? What tangible action was taken and what are the results?

(140) Mr. Martel (Nicolet-Bécancour) – 10 February 2016 To the Minister for Maritime Affairs

One of the strategic directions outlined in the Government's 2015-2020 Action Plan of the Maritime Strategy (Chapter 6, Priority 3) aims to "introduce measures focusing on information, consultation or collaboration in order to promote social acceptability and community involvement" and to "promote dialogue between maritime industry representatives in order to help the maritime economy prosper, in particular to ensure that government initiatives match the industry's needs."

Within the framework of the implementation of these directions:

- what measures have been implemented to promote social acceptability and community involvement?
- what tangible action has been taken to promote dialogue between maritime industry representatives?

Furthermore, what exchanges did the Minister and his secretariat have with maritime industry representatives and local communities concerned in relation to the implementation of these directions?

(141) Mr. Martel (Nicolet-Bécancour) – 10 February 2016 To the Minister for Maritime Affairs

One of the strategic directions outlined in the Government's 2015-2020 Action Plan of the Maritime Strategy (Chapter 6, Priority 3) aims to "afford opportunities to revive certain territories by facilitating the development of the maritime heritage."

Within the framework of the implementation of this direction, what opportunities were afforded and/or identified to revive certain territories? How has the government, since its maritime strategy was launched, facilitated the development of the maritime heritage? What tangible action was taken and what are the results?

(142) Mr. Jolin-Barrette (Borduas) – 10 February 2016 To the Minister of Public Security

On 17 December 2014, the government announced the implementation of amendments to the "Lottery Schemes Regulation" and to the "Lottery Scheme Rules" adopted in pursuance of the "Act respecting lotteries, publicity contests and amusement machines".

Since the entry into force of the amendments in January 2015, several non-profit organizations in our riding have questioned us regarding the new regulation, which poses a problem.

Fifty-fifty lotteries allow certain organizations to be self-sustaining, or to give money to other organizations or fondations. Hence, several organizations wondered about the possibility of dividing fifty-fifty prizes. After having checked with the Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux, the Régie informed us that according to its interpretation of the fourth paragraph of section one of the "Lottery Schemes Regulation", it was not possible to divide a winning prize among several participants.

This interpretation has a major impact on community and associative groups. Sinc the implementation of this new regulation, the participation rate in these lotteries has reduced considerably since participants have less chances of winning. Consequently, the reduction in participation has a direct impact on the sources of funding of non-profit organizations.

Will the government propose amendments to the "Lottery Schemes Regulation" so as to allow non-profit organizations to divide prizes and thus foster participation in this type of draw? Will the Minister of Public Security commit to helping non-profit organizations in their search for sources of funding?

(143) Mr. Caire (La Peltrie) – 10 February 2016 To the Chair of the Conseil du trésor

In the Treasury Board's Expenditure Management Strategy document entitled "Rigour and Responsibility", on page 13, a table indicates the gap to eliminate in programme spending.

The balance of efforts to be carried out by departments and bodies is slated at \$729 million for the year 2015-2016, and at \$873 million for 2016-2017. A deficit of \$853 million is also projected for 2016-2017. Have the measures allowing to achieve these efforts been identified by the Conseil du trésor and by the various departments and bodies and if so, what are they? How does the Minister plan to eliminate the remaining gap?

(144) Mr. Roberge (Chambly) – **11 February 2016** To the Minister of Education and Higher Education

In June 2015, the Minister of Education sent a letter to the directors general of school boards. This letter stated that schools cannot oblige parents to buy electronic tablets as school material for their child. Instead, schools must provide them to students free of charge. Following this letter, I believe that a follow up with the Minister regarding electronic tablets in public schools is in order. I therefore ask the Minister of Education to answer the following questions:

- In the present context of decreased budget allocations in education, does the Minister of Education believe that public schools that wish to provide students with electronic tablets must pay for this entirely out of their own budget?
- Does the Minister of Education acknowledge that public schools can maintain their autonomy and provide students with electronic tablets in as much as the governing board approves a financing package providing for funds that are partly from a sponsorship and partly from parents, striking an acceptable balance between parents whose income is higher and parents who are less well off?
- Does the Minister agree that public schools that would like to provide their students with electronic tablets are prevented from doing so, even if the governing board votes in favour of a financing package that reflects the realities of their community?

(145) Mrs. Lavallée (Repentigny) – 11 February 2016 To the Minister of Families

In the annual management report of the Ministère de la Famille 2014-2015, on page 44, we read about the annual expenditure management plan 2014-2015 to foster access to quality early childhood education and care to children. The same page contains an indicator concerning the number and nature of mobilization activites carried out with child care service providers.

Can the Minister of Families explain to us why there is no target for this indicator? Does the Minister plan on establishing a target for 2015-2016?

Can the Minister of Families indicate the mobilization activities carried out in 2013-2014, 2014-2015 and 2015-2016?

Can the Minister of Families provide, for each of these mobilization activities, a description of the activity, the date, the place, the number of employees (full-time, part-time and contract) who took part therein and the cost of preparing and holding the event?

(146) Mrs. Lavallée (Repentigny) – 11 February 2016 To the Minister of Families

In the annual management report of the Ministère de la Famille 2014-2015, on page 46, we read about the annual expenditure management plan 2014-2015 to foster access to quality early childhood education and care to children. The same page contains an indicator concerning the follow-up actions carried out to ensure that all violations found were corrected. The number indicates the proportion of child care services that, following an initial inspection within the framework of permit delivery or renewal, corrected 100% of the violations observed, within a period of six months.

Can the Minister of Families provide us with data that is updated as at 30 September 2015 since the data provided is dated 31 March 2015?

(147) Mrs. Lavallée (Repentigny) – 11 February 2016 To the Minister of Families

In the annual management report of the Ministère de la Famille 2014-2015, on page 47, we read about the annual expenditure management plan 2014-2015 to foster access to quality early childhood education and care to children. The same page contains an indicator concerning the percentage of child care services operating illegally that complied with the Act after having been uncovered.

Can the Minister of Families provide us with this indicator's data updated as at 30 September 2015 since the data provided is dated 31 March 2015?

- (148) Mr. Lisée (Rosemont) **11 February 2016** To the Minister responsible for Labour
 - What is the total number of arbitration requests received, per month, since 2012?
 - How many arbitration requests have come from RI-RTFs, per month, since 2012?
 - How many cases went before an arbitration board and when?
 - What is the average waiting time?
 - Is the Minister satisfied with this waiting time?
 - What does she intend to do to reduce this waiting time?
 - Does the Minister plan to appoint new arbitrators so that hearings can be held within a shorter period of time? If so, what is her timeline?
 - Does she foresee establishing timelines so that the hearings are obligatorily held within a reasonable number of days?
- (149) Mrs. Lamarre (Taillon) 16 February 2016 To the Minister of Health and Social Services

In its report tabled in November 2015, the Auditor General (AG) demonstrated, after reviewing the agreements negotiated between the Liberal Government and the medical federations, that additional sums were paid to physicians upon closing the agreement on the averaging of wage increases. Page 21, chapter 2, of the report indicates that when the memorandums of agreement were ratified, the sums to be averaged over an eight-year period, which total \$5,675.6 million (table 6, line B), were overstated by \$148.5 million compared to the sums remaining to be paid in accordance with the compensation agreements, which total \$5,527.1 million.

In its comments, the Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux mentions that in paragraph 50, the Auditor General indicates that the sums to be averaged were overstated by \$148.5 million over the term of the agreement and that if there indeed was an error, the MSSS will correct it. (page 37 of the AG's report, chapter 2).

- How does the government plan to recover the overstated \$148.5 million paid to physicians following the signing of an agreement on the averaging of their wage increases?
- How will it correct its error?
- (150) Mrs. Roy (Montarville) **17 February 2016** To the Minister of the Economy, Science and Innovation

Last 3 February, the Minister of the Economy, Science and Innovation stated that U.S. retailer Lowe's had given her the guarantee that jobs would be maintained as would RONA's headquarters in Boucherville. However, on 9 February she acknowledged that ultimately it will be up to the federal government to decide whether the guarantees provided by Lowe's to acquire RONA are sufficient to approve this transaction.

There remains some uncertainty with regard to the manner in which these guarantees were reportedly given to her by Lowe's. I would like to know exactly how these guarantees were given to her: Can she confirm if they were given verbally or in writing?

Would she also table all the documents provided by Lowe's further specifying these guarantees, particularly concerning the maintaining of jobs and headquarters in Boucherville?

Lastly, in light of the guarantees that were given to the Minister, can she tell me exactly how many jobs Lowe's plans to maintain at the headquarters in Boucherville, and over what period of time?

Part 6

NOTICES

I. NOTICES PREVIOUSLY GIVEN

Government Bills

Private Members' Public Bills

(a) 4 December 2015

An Act to affirm Québec's participation in the appointment process for Québec Supreme Court of Canada judges – *Member for Borduas*.

Private Bills

II. NOTICES APPEARING FOR THE FIRST TIME

(aa) An Act to put an end to illegal taxi services – Member for Vachon.