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President of the National Assembly:
Mr. Jacques Chagnon

QUÉBEC

Part 1

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

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- The Member for Rimouski on the following subject: *Tribute to Jean Brisson.*
- The Member for Laval-des-Rapides on the following subject: *Textil'Art, dual mission, twice the impact.*
- The Member for Johnson on the following subject: *Tribute to Ms. Danielle Bédard.*
- The Member for Argenteuil on the following subject: *Honourable mention to an Argenteuil athlete and participant in the PyeongChang 2018 Olympic Games.*
- The Member for Beauharnois on the following subject: *Tribute to Mélodie Daoust.*
- The Member for Hull on the following subject: *The Soupe populaire's young fairies, Mathilde and Frédérique.*
- The Member for Huntingdon on the following subject: *Huntingdon's Promutuel intermunicipal skating rink, a Kraft Hockeyville contest finalist.*
- The Member for Pontiac on the following subject: *Underline the 40th anniversary of the SAAQ insurance plan.*
- The Member for Saint-Jérôme on the following subject: *The 100th anniversary of the Saint-Jérôme Knights of Columbus.*

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Amendments proposed by the Minister of Transport, Sustainable Mobility and Transport Electrification and the Member for Berthier to the report from the Committee on Transportation and the Environment on Bill 165, An Act to amend the Highway Safety Code and other provisions (handed in under Standing Order 252).

Report from the Committee on Transportation and the Environment on Bill 165, An Act to amend the Highway Safety Code and other provisions.

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Part 2

ORDERS OF THE DAY

BUSINESS HAVING PRECEDENCE

- (1) Debate on the motion by the Minister of Finance, –That this Assembly approves the budgetary policy of the Government.
- (2) Estimates of Expenditure for the fiscal year ending 31 March 2019 tabled by the Minister responsible for Government Administration and Ongoing Program Review and Chair of the Conseil du trésor on **27 March 2018** and referred to a Committee of the Whole for concurrence in one quarter of the said Estimates.

URGENT DEBATES

DEBATES ON REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

OTHER BUSINESS

I. Government Bills

Passage in Principle

- (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 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**

- (5) 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**

- (6) 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**

- (7) 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**

- (8) 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
Report from the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain (consultations) tabled on **19 September 2017**

- (9) 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
Report from the Committee on Culture and Education (consultations) tabled on **7 April 2016**

(10) Bill 96

An Act to amend the Civil Code, the Code of Civil Procedure and the Public Curator Act as regards the protection of persons
Introduced by the Minister of Families on **7 June 2016**

(11) Bill 119

An Act to promote the resolution of disputes in connection with an intermunicipal agreement on police services
Introduced by the Minister of Public Security on **1 November 2016**

(12) Bill 123

An Act to amend various provisions in the field of health and social services
Introduced by the Minister of Health and Social Services on **9 December 2016**

(13) Bill 128

An Act to promote the protection of persons by establishing a framework with regard to dogs
Introduced by the Minister of Public Security on 13 April 2017
Report from the Committee on Institutions (consultations) tabled on **27 March 2018**

(14) Bill 160

An Act to confirm certain terms of employment applicable to officers of health and social services institutions
Introduced by the Minister of Health and Social Services on **23 November 2017**

(15) Bill 161

An Act to amend the Act respecting the conservation and development of wildlife
Introduced by the Minister of Forests, Wildlife and Parks on **8 December 2017**

(16) Bill 168

An Act to promote access to justice and increase its efficiency
Introduced by the Minister of Justice on **8 December 2017**

(17) Bill 170

An Act to modernize the legal regime applicable to liquor permits and to amend various other legislative provisions with regard to alcoholic beverages

Introduced by the Minister of Public Security on **21 February 2018**

(18) Bill 171

An Act to enact the Act respecting the implementation of the Canadian Free Trade Agreement and to bring measures relating to contracting by public bodies into compliance with that agreement, the Trade and Cooperation Agreement between Ontario and Québec and the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement between Canada and the European Union and its Member States

Introduced by the Minister for Integrity in Public Procurement and for Information Resources on **22 February 2018**

(19) Bill 173

An Act mainly to introduce a basic income for persons with a severely limited capacity for employment

Introduced by the Minister of Employment and Social Solidarity on **14 March 2018**

(20) Bill 174

An Act mainly to relax the parental insurance plan in order to promote better family-work balance

Introduced by the Minister of Employment and Social Solidarity on **22 March 2018**

(21) Bill 176

An Act to amend the Act respecting labour standards and other legislative provisions mainly to facilitate family-work balance

Introduced by the Minister responsible for Labour on **20 March 2018**

Committee Stage

(22)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

Report from the Committee on Labour and the Economy (consultations) tabled on 19 October 2016

Passed in principle on **30 November 2016**, and

Referred to the Committee on Labour and the Economy

(23)Bill 118

An Act respecting medical laboratories, orthopedic service centres and respiratory physiology centres operated by an entity other than a health and social services institution

Introduced by the Minister of Health and Social Services on 2 November 2016

Report from the Committee on Health and Social Services (consultations) tabled on 7 February 2017

Passed in principle on **23 February 2017**, and

Referred to the Committee on Health and Social Services

(24)Bill 140

An Act respecting the services available to a former Prime Minister

Introduced by the Minister responsible for Access to Information and the Reform of Democratic Institutions on 5 December 2017

Report from the Committee on Institutions (consultations) tabled on 13 February 2018

Passed in principle on **14 February 2018**, and

Referred to the Committee on Institutions

(25)Bill 141

An Act mainly to improve the regulation of the financial sector, the protection of deposits of money and the operation of financial institutions

Introduced by the Minister of Finance on 5 October 2017

Report from the Committee on Public Finance (consultations) tabled on 6 February 2018

Passed in principle on **15 February 2018**, and

Referred to the Committee on Public Finance

(26) Bill 150

An Act respecting mainly the implementation of certain provisions of the Budget Speeches of 17 March 2016 and 28 March 2017

Introduced by the Minister of Finance on 31 October 2017

Report from the Committee on Public Finance (consultations) tabled on 7 February 2018

Passed in principle on **15 February 2018**, and

Referred to the Committee on Public Finance

(27) Bill 152

An Act to amend various labour-related legislative provisions mainly to give effect to certain Charbonneau Commission recommendations

Introduced by the Minister responsible for Labour on 15 November 2017

Report from the Committee on Labour and the Economy (consultations) tabled on 8 February 2018

Passed in principle on **22 February 2018**, and

Referred to the Committee on Labour and the Economy

(28) Bill 155

An Act to amend various legislative provisions concerning municipal affairs and the Société d'habitation du Québec

Introduced by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Land Occupancy on 15 November 2017

Report from the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain (consultations) tabled on 6 February 2018

Passed in principle on **8 February 2018**, and

Referred to the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain

(29) Bill 157

An Act to constitute the Société québécoise du cannabis, to enact the Cannabis Regulation Act and to amend various highway safety-related provisions

Introduced by the Minister for Rehabilitation, Youth Protection, Public Health and Healthy Living on 16 November 2017

Report from the Committee on Health and Social Services (consultations) tabled on 6 February 2018

Passed in principle on **13 February 2018**, and

Referred to the Committee on Health and Social Services

(30) Bill 162

An Act to amend the Building Act and other legislative provisions mainly to give effect to certain Charbonneau Commission recommendations

Introduced by the Minister responsible for Consumer Protection and for Housing on 1 December 2017

Report from the Committee on Labour and the Economy (consultations) tabled on 14 mars 2018

Passed in principle on **22 March 2018**, and

Referred to the Committee on Labour and the Economy

Report Stage

(31) Bill 165

An Act to amend the Highway Safety Code and other provisions

Introduced by the Minister of Transport, Sustainable Mobility and Transport Electrification on 8 December 2017

Report from the Committee on Transportation and the Environment (consultations) tabled on 15 February 2018

Passed in principle on 20 February 2018

Report from the Committee on Transportation and the Environment tabled on 21 March 2018

Division deferred on **27 March 2018**

Passage

II. Private Members' Public Bills

Passage in Principle

(32) 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**

(33) 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**

- (34) 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**
- (35) 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**
- (36) 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**
- (37) Bill 196
An Act to amend the Public Protector Act
Introduced by the Member for Deux-Montagnes on **1 October 2014**
- (38) Bill 197
An Act to reduce medication procurement costs in Québec
Introduced by the Member for Mercier on **17 February 2015**
- (39) 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**
- (40) Bill 392
An Act respecting zero-GHG-emission motor vehicles
Introduced by the Member for Vachon on **15 April 2015**
- (41) 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**
- (42) Bill 395
Religious Fundamentalism Observer Act
Introduced by the Member for Taschereau on **11 February 2015**

- (43) Bill 396
Parliamentary Budget Officer Act
Introduced by the Member for Granby on **19 February 2015**
- (44) Bill 397
Parliamentary Budget Officer Act
Introduced by the Member for Rousseau on **26 February 2015**
- (45) 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**
- (46) 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**
- (47) 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**
- (48) 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**
- (49) Bill 494
Taxpayer Protection Act
Introduced by the Member for Granby on **28 May 2015**
- (50) 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**

- (51) Bill 496
Whistleblower Protection Act
Introduced by the Member for Sainte-Marie–Saint-Jacques on **22 October 2015**
- (52) Bill 497
Inmate Pay-for-Stay Act
Introduced by the Member for Beauce-Nord on **4 November 2015**
- (53) 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**
- (54) Bill 590
An Act to amend the Auditor General Act
Introduced by the Member for Lac-Saint-Jean on **9 March 2016**
- (55) Bill 591
An Act to affirm Québec's participation in the appointment process for Québec Supreme Court of Canada judges
Introduced by the Member for Borduas on **25 February 2016**
- (56) Bill 592
An Act respecting the selection of Québec senators
Introduced by the Member for Borduas on **9 March 2016**
- (57) Bill 593
An Act to put an end to illegal taxi services
Introduced by the Member for Vachon on **18 February 2016**
- (58) Bill 594
An Act to amend the Act respecting elections and referendums in municipalities
Introduced by the Member for Hochelaga-Maisonneuve on **25 February 2016**
- (59) Bill 595
An Act to protect access to institutions where elective abortions are performed
Introduced by the Member for Hochelaga-Maisonneuve on **24 February 2016**

(60) Bill 596

An Act to amend the Civil Code to make judicial remedies for victims of sexual aggression imprescriptible

Introduced by the Member for Borduas on **16 March 2016**

(61) Bill 597

An Act to amend the Anti-Corruption Act to make the Anti-Corruption Commissioner a person designated by the National Assembly

Introduced by the Member for Borduas on **20 April 2016**

(62) Bill 598

An Act to amend the Civil Code as regards civil status to allow a change of designation of sex for transgender children

Introduced by the Member for Sainte-Marie–Saint-Jacques on **12 May 2016**

(63) Bill 599

Anti-Farmland Grabbing Act

Introduced by the Member for Berthier on **26 May 2016**

(64) Bill 690

An Act to amend the Police Act to minimize the cost of police services without compromising public safety and to facilitate service-sharing among police forces

Introduced by the Member for Blainville on **24 May 2016**

(65) Bill 691

An Act to prohibit billing accessory costs for insured services

Introduced by the Member for Taillon on **25 May 2016**

(66) Bill 696

An Act to incite municipalities to adopt by-laws governing free play in streets and lanes in order to promote healthy lifestyle habits among children and young people and further family well-being

Introduced by the Member for Borduas on **24 November 2016**

(67) Bill 697

An Act to allow law students to give legal advice and consultations on legal matters in university legal clinics in order to make justice more accessible

Introduced by the Member for Borduas on **11 May 2017**

(68) Bill 699

An Act to amend the Tax Administration Act to increase eligibility thresholds for bringing summary appeals before the Small Claims Division of the Court of Québec

Introduced by the Member for Borduas on **23 March 2017**

(69) Bill 790

An Act to suspend the electoral division delimitation process

Introduced by the Member for Sainte-Marie–Saint-Jacques on **15 February 2017**

(70) Bill 791

An Act to amend the Consumer Protection Act in order to regulate rewards program contracts

Introduced by the Member for Borduas on **22 February 2017**

(71) Bill 792

An Act respecting the procedure for selecting, appointing and reappointing independent administrative decision-makers

Introduced by the Member for Borduas on **15 March 2017**

(72) Bill 793

An Act to amend the Education Act so that students under 18 years of age need not be Canadian citizens or permanent residents to be entitled to the free educational services it provides for

Introduced by the Member for Mercier on **23 March 2017**

(73) Bill 794

An Act to regulate using health as a risk determination factor in insurance contracts

Introduced by the Member for Taillon on **4 April 2017**

(74) Bill 795

An Act to proclaim Water Month

Introduced by the Member for Jonquière on **11 April 2017**

(75) Bill 796

An Act to amend the Act respecting labour standards to facilitate informal caregiving

Introduced by the Member for Chutes-de-la-Chaudière on **7 June 2017**

(76) Bill 797

An Act to amend the Civil Code in order to recognize the bond of filiation of a de facto spouse who died before the birth of a child

Introduced by the Member for Borduas on **30 May 2017**

(77) Bill 798

An Act to regulate the operation of tourist accommodation establishments in the "tourist homes" class and define the role and responsibilities of online rental intermediaries

Introduced by the Member for Mercier on **26 April 2017**

(78) Bill 799

An Act to amend the Professional Syndicates Act to eliminate the Canadian citizenship requirement for members of a syndicate's administrative council or personnel

Introduced by the Member for Mercier on **10 May 2017**

(79) Bill 890

An Act to ensure sound administration of justice in order to maintain public confidence in the justice system

Introduced by the Member for Borduas on **18 May 2017**

(80) Bill 891

An Act to amend the Act respecting labour standards in order to amend the minimum wage setting and review procedure

Introduced by the Member for Gouin on **4 October 2017**

(81) Bill 892

An Act to amend the Act respecting Access to documents held by public bodies and the Protection of personal information to regulate distribution of the financial statements of bodies subject to that Act

Introduced by the Member for Granby on **14 June 2017**

(82) Bill 894

An Act to amend the Act respecting the flag and emblems of Québec to have the white admiral recognized as Québec's emblematic insect

Introduced by the Member for Saint-Jean on **15 June 2017**

(83) Bill 895

An Act to amend the Civil Code to allow any person domiciled in Québec to have the designation of sex appearing in the person's act of birth changed
Introduced by the Member for Hochelaga-Maisonneuve on **17 May 2017**

(84) Bill 896

An Act to replace the name of the electoral division of Arthabaska by Arthabaska-L'Érable
Introduced by the Member for Arthabaska on **9 June 2017**

(85) Bill 897

An Act to amend the Youth Protection Act to guarantee the right to education
Introduced by the Member for Chambly on **1 June 2017**

(86) Bill 898

An Act to amend the Education Act to allow parents to enrol their children in the school of their choice
Introduced by the Member for Chambly on **15 June 2017**

(87) Bill 899

An Act to recognize municipalities' autonomy in the areas of land development and protection of drinking water sources
Introduced by the Member for Sainte-Marie–Saint-Jacques on **7 June 2017**

(88) Bill 990

An Act to prohibit hydraulic fracturing and chemical stimulation of wells throughout Québec
Introduced by the Member for Sainte-Marie–Saint-Jacques on **13 June 2017**

(89) Bill 991

An Act to amend the Charter of the French language to define the circumstances under which an employer may make knowledge of a language other than the official language a requirement for access to employment or a position
Introduced by the Member for Rosemont on **14 June 2017**

(90) Bill 994

An Act to amend the Act respecting the distribution of financial products and services to establish a register of individual life insurance policies in order to ensure payment of life insurance proceeds to the beneficiaries concerned

Introduced by the Member for Borduas on **22 November 2017**

(91) Bill 995

An Act to amend the Act respecting prearranged funeral services and sepultures to require prearranged funeral services contracts to be registered in the register of personal and movable real rights

Introduced by the Member for Borduas on **22 November 2017**

(92) Bill 997

An Act to regulate e-commerce and ensure tax fairness for traditional and local businesses

Introduced by the Member for Mercier on **1 November 2017**

(93) Bill 998

An Act mainly to facilitate labour market access for persons who are part of a visible minority due to their ethnic origin or skin colour and to fight discrimination and racism

Introduced by the Member for Hochelaga-Maisonneuve on **2 November 2017**

(94) Bill 999

An Act to amend the Act respecting labour standards to improve minimum conditions of employment and promote work-family balance

Introduced by the Member for Gouin on **15 November 2017**

(95) Bill 1090

An Act to amend the Environment Quality Act to ensure Bureau d'audiences publiques sur l'environnement members' independence

Introduced by the Member for Masson on **15 November 2017**

(96) Bill 1091

An Act to amend the Transport Act in order to rebalance the sharing of the contribution of motorists to public transit within the Communauté métropolitaine de Québec

Introduced by the Member for Chutes-de-la-Chaudière on **7 February 2018**

(97) Bill 1092

An Act to amend the Act respecting labour standards to prohibit clauses providing for differences in treatment among employees
Introduced by the Member for Chutes-de-la-Chaudière on **23 November 2017**

(98) Bill 1093

An Act to amend the Education Act to limit and regulate financial contributions required of parents
Introduced by the Member for Chambly on **22 March 2018**

(99) Bill 1094

An Act to proclaim Hispanic Heritage Month
Introduced by the Member for Hochelaga-Maisonneuve on **6 December 2017**

(100) Bill 1097

Right-to-Disconnect Act
Introduced by the Member for Gouin on **22 March 2018**

(101) Bill 1098

An Act to amend the Code of ethics and conduct of the Members of the National Assembly
Introduced by the Member for Groulx on **21 March 2018**

Committee Stage

Report Stage

Passage

III. Private Bills

Hearings and Clause-by-Clause Consideration

(102) 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

(103) 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

(104) 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

(105) Bill 214

An Act respecting Ville de Drummondville

Introduced by the Member for Drummond–Bois-Francis on

12 November 2015, and

Referred to the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain

(106) Bill 221

An Act respecting Ville de Salaberry-de-Valleyfield

Introduced by the Member for Vaudreuil on **16 November 2016**, and

Referred to the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain

(107) Bill 225

An Act respecting the Société du complexe portuaire de Sorel-Tracy

Introduced by the Member for Richelieu on **11 May 2017**, and

Referred to the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain

(108) Bill 231

An Act respecting Ville de Saint-Hyacinthe

Introduced by the Member for Saint-Hyacinthe on **15 November 2017**, and

Referred to the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain

(109) Bill 232

An Act to prohibit a public institution within the meaning of the Act respecting health services and social services from operating a paid parking lot in the territory of Ville de Belœil

Introduced by the Member for Borduas on **7 December 2017**, and

Referred to the Committee on Health and Social Services

Passage in Principle

Passage

IV. Government Motions

(110) 21 February 2018

Motion by the Minister of International Relations and La Francophonie:

THAT, pursuant to section 22.3 of the *Act respecting the Ministère des Relations internationales*, the National Assembly approve the International Labour Organization's Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949, (No. 98).

In compliance with section 22.3 of the *Act respecting the Ministère des Relations internationales*, this motion cannot be debated before 3 March 2018.

V. Estimates of Expenditure

VI. Statutory Debates

BUSINESS STANDING IN THE NAME OF MEMBERS IN OPPOSITION

Part 3

BILLS PASSED

(Bills awaiting Royal Assent)

Bill 166

An Act to reform the school tax system

Passed on **27 March 2018**

Bill 234

An Act to amend the Charter of the Université de Montréal

Passed on **27 March 2018**

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 the Auditor General of Québec on her administrative management and financial commitments.
- Hearing the Régie de l'assurance maladie du Québec on its administrative management.
- Hearing the Secrétariat du Conseil du trésor on the Chair of the Conseil du trésor and Minister responsible for Government Administration and Ongoing Program Review's 2014-2015 report concerning the application of the *Public Administration Act*.
- Hearing the Ministère des Forêts, de la Faune et des Parcs on chapter 4 of the Auditor General of Québec's spring 2017 report, entitled "Sylvicultural Work".
- Hearing the Ministère des Transports, de la Mobilité durable et de l'Électrification des transports on the Auditor General of Québec's special audit, entitled "Ministère des Transports, de la Mobilité durable et de l'Électrification des transports: Contract Management" and as a follow-up to recommendation 3.1 of the 36th report of the Committee on Public Administration.
- Hearing the Ministère de l'Immigration, de la Diversité et de l'Inclusion on its administrative management and financial commitments and on chapter 5 of the Auditor General of Québec's fall 2017 report, entitled "Integration of Immigrants: Individual Settlement and Integration Support Services".
- Hearing on the Public Protector's special report, entitled "Private seniors' residences: More than just rental businesses".

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES, ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

COMMITTEE ON PLANNING AND THE PUBLIC DOMAIN

Order of reference

Consideration of Bills:

- **Bill 155**, An Act to amend various legislative provisions concerning municipal affairs and the Société d'habitation du Québec (Order of reference given on 8 February 2018).
- **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 214**, An Act respecting Ville de Drummondville (Order of reference given on 12 November 2015).
- **Bill 221**, An Act respecting Ville de Salaberry-de-Valleyfield (Order of reference given on 16 November 2016).
- **Bill 225**, An Act respecting the Société du complexe portuaire de Sorel-Tracy (Order of reference given on 11 May 2017).
- **Bill 231**, An Act respecting Ville de Saint-Hyacinthe (Order of reference given on 15 November 2017).

Order of initiative

- Access to local financial services in the regions.

COMMITTEE ON CULTURE AND EDUCATION

COMMITTEE ON LABOUR AND THE ECONOMY

Order of reference

Consideration of Bills:

- **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 (Order of reference given on 30 November 2016).
- **Bill 152**, An Act to amend various labour-related legislative provisions mainly to give effect to certain Charbonneau Commission recommendations (Order of reference given on 22 February 2018).
- **Bill 162**, An Act to amend the Building Act and other legislative provisions mainly to give effect to certain Charbonneau Commission recommendations (Order of reference given on 22 March 2018).

Special Consultations:

- **Bill 173**, An Act mainly to introduce a basic income for persons with a severely limited capacity for employment (Order of reference given on 22 March 2018).

Statutory order

- Hearing the chair of the board of directors and chief executive officer of the Commission des normes, de l'équité, de la santé et de la sécurité du travail and examination of the Commission's policy directions, activities and management.
- Hearing the Alliance de l'industrie touristique du Québec.
- Hearing the president and director general of the Conseil de gestion de l'assurance parentale on his administrative management and on the management of the Fonds d'assurance parentale.
- Examination of the report on the implementation of the *Act to promote workforce skills development and recognition*.
- Examination of the reports on the activities funded by the Fonds québécois d'initiatives sociales.
- Examination of the report entitled "Résultats des actions menées dans le cadre de la stratégie nationale de lutte contre la pauvreté et l'exclusion sociale".
- Examination of the report entitled "Améliorer la situation économique des personnes : un engagement continu".
- Examination of the report entitled "Traitement des pensions alimentaires pour enfants dans les programmes gouvernementaux".

Order of initiative

- Assess the Commission de la construction du Québec's Carnet de référence and its impact on the intimidation and union discrimination phenomena on Québec's construction sites.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC FINANCE

Order of reference

Consideration of Bills:

- **Bill 141**, An Act mainly to improve the regulation of the financial sector, the protection of deposits of money and the operation of financial institutions (Order of reference given on 15 February 2018).
- **Bill 150**, An Act respecting mainly the implementation of certain provisions of the Budget Speeches of 17 March 2016 and 28 March 2017 (Order of reference given on 15 February 2018).

Order of initiative

- Document entitled "Paradis fiscaux : Plan d'action pour assurer l'équité fiscale".

COMMITTEE ON INSTITUTIONS

Order of reference

Consideration of Bills:

- **Bill 140**, An Act respecting the services available to a former Prime Minister (Order of reference given on 14 February 2018).

Special Consultations:

- **Bill 170**, An Act to modernize the legal regime applicable to liquor permits and to amend various other legislative provisions with regard to alcoholic beverages (Order of reference given on 20 March 2018).

Order in compliance with the Standing Orders

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 in compliance with the Standing Orders

Interpellation:

- By the Member for Verchères to the Minister responsible for the Montérégie region on the following subject: *The Liberal Government's lack of vision for Montérégie families* (notice given on 15 March 2018).

Order of initiative

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

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Order of reference

Consideration of Bills:

- **Bill 118**, An Act respecting medical laboratories, orthopedic service centres and respiratory physiology centres operated by an entity other than a health and social services institution (Order of reference given on 23 February 2017).
- **Bill 157**, An Act to constitute the Société québécoise du cannabis, to enact the Cannabis Regulation Act and to amend various highway safety-related provisions (Order of reference given on 13 February 2018).
- **Bill 232**, An Act to prohibit a public institution within the meaning of the Act respecting health services and social services from operating a paid parking lot in the territory of Ville de Belœil (Order of reference given on 7 December 2017).

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.

Consideration of petitions:

- Petitions 4028-20180207 and 4029-20180207 on introducing and implementing a Lyme disease action plan.

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

- (284) Mr. Turcotte (Saint-Jean) – **6 February 2018**
To the Minister of Health and Social Services

On 18 August 2015, construction on Hôpital du Haut-Richelieu's expansion project was halted via a letter issued by your department. At that time, we were informed that your department had considerably changed Hôpital du Haut-Richelieu's major expansion plans to exclude the construction of a real laboratory on the 3rd floor. When you visited Saint-Jean-sur-Richelieu to inaugurate Hôpital du Haut-Richelieu, you presented your Optilab project as being an "opportunity" for my constituents. Optilab is not only a loss of expertise for the Haut-Richelieu region, but it is mostly risks involved in transporting laboratory samples from Hôpital du Haut-Richelieu laboratories to Hôpital Charles-Lemoyne. You don't seem to have given any consideration to my proposal to divide the server laboratory into two centres, a proposal that makes sense since, on the one hand, the entities are located in the same administrative unit, namely the Centre intégré de santé et de services sociaux (CISSS) de la Montérégie-Centre, and, on the other hand, this would have resulted in savings since we would have made efficient use of the spaces that are already available by avoiding the construction of a new mega laboratory. My constituents are under the impression that you chose Charles-Lemoyne at the expense of the Haut-Richelieu region. We know that the Hôpital Charles-Lemoyne site is already used to full capacity.

- Can you still confirm that the construction of the Montérégie server laboratory will take place on the Hôpital Charles-Lemoyne site? If so, at what cost? If not, where will the Montérégie server laboratory be built? Will this laboratory be in your electoral division or in that of a Member belonging to the parliamentary group forming the Government?

(290) Mr. Bourcier (Saint-Jérôme) – **13 March 2018**

To the Minister of Transport, Sustainable Mobility and Transport Electrification

In February 2017, Cie des Laurentides Inc. and the company 9274-5173 Inc, two taxi companies working in Saint-Jérôme and Prévost, sent the Commission des transports du Québec a request to merge jurisdictions.

A year later, the Commission still hasn't ruled on this matter while the concerned parties have expressed the need to merge jurisdictions to provide better service to the citizens of the Laurentides region.

I would like the Minister to indicate why this matter is still suspended and when specifically the Commission des transports intends to make its decision known. In the event that the request is denied, we would like the Commission des transports to publicly disclose its motives.

(291) Mrs. Massé (Sainte-Marie–Saint-Jacques) – **13 March 2018**

To the Minister of Employment and Social Solidarity

Disabled persons living in poverty in intermediate resources and family-type resources were denied the monthly \$73 increase in social solidarity benefits that came into force last 1 February.

The Régie de l'assurance maladie du Québec (RAMQ) increased the required contribution of residents receiving social solidarity benefits from \$747 to \$820, since the monthly expense allowance is capped at \$215, when it should have been adjusted according to the anti-poverty plan.

This allowance is established under the Regulation respecting the contribution of users taken in charge by intermediate resources (CQLR, chapter S-4.2, r. 7), while the financial contribution of users in family-type resources is established under sections 376, 377 and 377.1 of the Regulation respecting the application of the Act respecting health services and social services for Cree Native persons (CQLR, chapter S-5, r. 1).

The amounts taken into consideration in calculating the contribution of users and indexed annually in accordance with the annuity index are established in pursuance of section 117 of the Act respecting the Québec Pension Plan (CQLR, chapter R-9).

It is reasonable to ask ourselves why the Minister of Employment and Social Solidarity and the Minister of Health and Social Services did not harmonize the anti-poverty plan with the Act respecting health services and social services and its regulations, by, among other things, tabling a new regulation, so as to make adjustments and thus ensure fair treatment of all.

After having been strongly criticized in this regard, the Liberal Government subsequently opened the door to an upward revision of the personal expense allowance. In light of the elements brought to the attention of the Minister of Employment and Social Solidarity and the Minister of Health and Social Services, I would like to know:

- 1) How and when do both ministers intend to harmonize the anti-poverty plan with the Act respecting health services and social services and the regulations setting the contribution of users?
- 2) Will the thousands of persons affected by this lack of harmonization between the two departments be able to retroactively receive the monthly \$73 increase in social solidarity benefits that has been denied them thus far?

It goes without saying that actions must be taken without delay to better support the thousands of disabled persons taken in charge by intermediate resources.

(292) Mrs. D'Amours (Mirabel) – **15 March 2018**
To the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food

Québec agriculture needs support to develop and double our agricultural product exports.

This support cannot take place without substantial help from the Government, which is being everything but proactive in this regard.

Let us recall that Québec suffers from a chronic lack of infrastructure investment, especially when you consider the gap with Ontario and the rest of Canada.

Not only is public investment not forthcoming, but the Government is not doing anything to make farmers' lives easier.

Take for instance the case of relations with Hydro-Québec.

Why do farmers who want to expand their operations and whose farms require an electricity system upgrade have to cover the costs in order for Hydro-Québec to connect a farm to its network?

It's just not logical to hear the Government talk about development and not see any actions being taken to this end.

I would therefore like to know if the Minister of Energy and the Minister of Agriculture are aware of these situations in which Hydro-Québec requires farmers to cover the costs of upgrading their infrastructures.

I would also like to know if they intend to rectify the situation so that farmers are supported and aren't required to cover the costs related to upgrading Hydro-Québec's infrastructures when they want to expand their operations.

(293) Mr. LeBel (Rimouski) – **20 March 2018**

To the Minister responsible for Consumer Protection and for Housing

Last 8 February, the report from the interdepartmental committee tasked with documenting problems caused by dry rot fungus was tabled in the National Assembly, but it does not propose any financial assistance to victims of this fungus.

Considering that the number of cases in Québec has soared, that insurance does not cover this type of contamination, that the techniques used to demolish houses infested by dry rot fungus are not yet fully adapted to the situation and that the SHQ still does not know what to do with the contaminated waste, I feel it is urgent to act.

My questions are the following:

- Has the Minister responsible for Consumer Protection and for Housing provided for the financing of the victims of dry rot fungus within the framework of the Government's next budget?
- If so, what amount has the Minister responsible for Consumer Protection and for Housing set aside for the financing of the victims of dry rot fungus within the framework of the Government's next budget?

(294) Mr. Bonnardel (Granby) – **21 March 2018**
To the Minister of Justice

Sometimes unfortunate situations come about in which persons suddenly and unexpectedly become psychologically incompetent. Be it following a traffic accident, a work-related accident or a sport injury, a person might end up in a coma or sustain a major concussion that could render him or her incapable of making decisions for a period of time that might be longer than expected.

Unfortunately, often these persons are not adequately prepared to deal with such events, which could significantly complicate their lives and those of their family members. While persons are unable to take care of themselves, families can't replace them administratively, since they don't have a power of attorney allowing them to do so. Be it to pay monthly bills, access the accident report or suspend telephone service, since the incompetent person is of full age, without a power of attorney, the caregiver can't carry out these procedures in his or her place.

Owing to the existing delays in the justice system, this situation rapidly becomes a complicated burden for caregivers. The Government must re-examine this procedure to facilitate the lives of those who only want to help.

Within this context where there seems to be an administrative breach as regards persons who suddenly become incompetent and who don't have a power of attorney, does the Government of Québec plan to re-examine the current way of doing things in order to improve and make more accessible the temporary measures that may be taken before a protection plan is opened?

(295) Mrs. Massé (Sainte-Marie–Saint-Jacques) – **21 March 2018**
To the Minister responsible for the Status of Women

In 2015, I introduced Bill 399, An Act to exclude child support payments from income calculation under various social laws

The content of this bill stems from a request made by several groups and organizations for close to 15 years. Two similar bills had already been introduced in the past: one in 2008, by Lisette Lapointe (Bill 394) and another, in 2012, by my former colleague Françoise David (Bill 195).

Simple logic applies: child support should be used for children and not to fill Government coffers. This measure is aimed at the most vulnerable among us and I believe that our Government must respond positively to this reasonable request.

The question is addressed to the Minister responsible for the Status of Women because this retrograde measure, which ensures that child support is calculated as income for persons on welfare, mainly discriminates against women.

Can the Minister responsible for the Status of Women intervene with the Minister of Finance to finally rectify this injustice?

(296) Mr. Leclair (Beauharnois) – **22 March 2018**

To the Minister responsible for Labour

The electricity supply contract between the Government, Hydro-Québec and Aluminerie de Bécancour (ABI) indicates that the company enjoys a preferential tariff.

Within the framework of the lockout announced last 11 January, ABI management had confirmed that only one production line out of three would be in operation. The aluminum plant therefore consumes one third of the electricity that it must usually consume.

- What is the total amount, per day, of Hydro-Québec's shortfall due to Aluminerie de Bécancour (ABI)'s decline in production since the beginning of the lockout?

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