

# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF QUÉBEC

FIRST SESSION

FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

### **Order Paper and Notices**

of the Assembly

Thursday, 15 February 2024 - No. 100 Nine forty a.m.

President of the National Assembly: Madam Nathalie Roy

### Part 1 ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

#### STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

- The Member for Huntingdon on the following subject: *Ose la Montérégie! S'enraciner dans une région gourmande.*
- The Member for Chomedey on the following subject: 60 years of history for the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 251, Chomedey.
- The Member for Vanier-Les Rivières on the following subject: *Promote school perseverance*.
- The Member for Sainte-Marie-Saint-Jacques on the following subject: *Lots of love for InterCEP!*
- The Member for Roberval on the following subject: *The 35th edition of the Festival d'hiver de Roberval.*
- The Member for D'Arcy-McGee on the following subject: *Tribute to the life of Mr. Samuel Gewurz*.
- The Member for Portneuf on the following subject: *Small, everyday miracles at the Pont-Rouge elementary school.*
- The Member for Lotbinière-Frontenac on the following subject: A well-deserved retirement for the firefighters of the municipalities of Saint-Jacques-de-Leeds, Saint-Pierre-de-Broughton and Kinnear's Mills.
- The Member for Saint-Jean on the following subject: *School perseverance also means perseverance scholarships*.
- The Member for Argenteuil on the following subject: Essential care provided to people with cancer at the Argenteuil hospital.
- The Member for Anjou–Louis-Riel on the following subject: *The 25th anniversary of the event Montréal en lumière*.
- The Member for Sainte-Rose on the following subject: *Underline the 35th anniversary of Nelson Mandela's release.*

#### STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

PRESENTING (a) Papers

(b) Reports from committees

(c) Petitions

#### **ORAL ANSWERS TO PETITIONS**

## COMPLAINTS OF BREACH OF PRIVILEGE OR CONTEMPT AND PERSONAL EXPLANATIONS

#### **ORAL QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

#### **DEFERRED DIVISIONS**

Motion moved by the Official Opposition House Leader under Standing Order 97:

THAT the National Assembly ask the CAQ government to promote road safety in Québec by implementing administrative sanctions once a blood alcohol concentration level of 0.05% is reached.

#### MOTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

#### NOTICES OF PROCEEDINGS IN COMMITTEES

#### INFORMATION ON THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE ASSEMBLY

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY

#### **BUSINESS HAVING PRECEDENCE**

#### **URGENT DEBATES**

#### **DEBATES ON REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES**

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

#### I. Government Bills

Passage in Principle

#### (1) Bill 32

An Act to establish the cultural safety approach within the health and social services network

Introduced by the Minister Responsible for Relations with the First Nations and the Inuit on 9 June 2023

Report from the Committee on Institutions (consultations) tabled on 14 September 2023

#### (2) Bill 44\*

An Act to amend mainly the Act respecting the Ministère de l'Économie et de l'Innovation with respect to research

Introduced by the Minister of Economy, Innovation and Energy on 7 February 2024

#### (3) Bill 45

An Act to amend the Act respecting safety in sports mainly to better protect the integrity of persons in recreation and sports

Introduced by the Minister Responsible for Sports, Recreation and the Outdoors, on 6 February 2024

<sup>\*</sup> Recommendation of the Lieutenant-Governor

#### (4) Bill 48

An Act to amend mainly the Highway Safety Code to introduce provisions relating to detection systems and other highway safety-related provisions Introduced by the Minister of Transport and Sustainable Mobility on 8 December 2023

Report from the Committee on Transportation and the Environment (consultations) tabled on 13 February 2024

Resuming the debate adjourned in the name of the Member for Nelligan on 14 February 2024

#### **(5)** Bill 49

An Act to give effect to fiscal measures announced in the Budget Speech delivered on 21 March 2023 and to certain other measures Introduced by the Minister of Finance on **8 February 2024** 

#### (6) Bill 50\*

An Act to enact the Act respecting civil protection to promote disaster resilience and to amend various provisions relating in particular to emergency communication centres and to forest fire protection Introduced by the Minister of Public Security on 31 January 2024

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

#### (7) Bill 51

An Act to modernize the construction industry
Introduced by the Minister of Labour on 1 February 2024

#### (8) Bill 52

An Act to enable the Parliament of Québec to preserve the principle of parliamentary sovereignty with respect to the Act respecting the laicity of the State

Introduced by the Minister Responsible for Laicity on 8 February 2024

#### Committee Stage

#### (9) Bill 30

An Act to amend various provisions mainly with respect to the financial sector

Introduced by the Minister of Finance on 7 June 2023

Passed in principle on 12 September 2023, and

Referred to the Committee on Public Finance

#### (10) Bill 37

An Act respecting the Commissioner for Children's Well-Being and Rights Introduced by the Minister Responsible for Social Services on 26 October 2023

Report from the Committee on Health and Social Services (consultations) tabled on 13 February 2024

Passed in principle on 14 February 2024, and

Referred to the Committee on Health and Social Services

#### (11) Bill 41

An Act to enact the Act respecting the environmental performance of buildings and to amend various provisions regarding energy transition Introduced by the Minister of the Environment, the Fight Against Climate

Change, Wildlife and Parks on 22 November 2023

Report from the Committee on Transportation and the Environment (consultations) tabled on 6 February 2024

Passed in principle on 8 February 2024, and

Referred to the Committee on Transportation and the Environment

#### (12) Bill 42

An Act to prevent and fight psychological harassment and sexual violence in the workplace

Introduced by the Minister of Labour on 23 November 2023

Report from the Committee on Labour and the Economy (consultations) tabled on 6 February 2024

Passed in principle on 7 February 2024, and

Referred to the Committee on Labour and the Economy

#### (13) Bill 46

An Act to improve the protection of children receiving educational childcare services

Introduced by the Minister of Families on 7 December 2023

Report from the Committee on Citizen Relations (consultations) tabled on 7 February 2024

Passed in principle on 8 February 2024, and

Referred to the Committee on Citizen Relations

#### (14) Bill 47

An Act to reinforce the protection of students Introduced by the Minister of Education on 6 December 2023 Report from the Committee on Culture and Education (consultations) tabled on 1 February 2024 Passed in principle on 6 February 2024, and

Referred to the Committee on Culture and Education

Report Stage

Passage

#### (15) Bill 31

An Act to amend various legislative provisions with respect to housing Introduced by the Minister Responsible for Housing on 9 June 2023 Report from the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain (consultations) tabled on 21 September 2023 Passed in principle on 26 September 2023 Report from the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain adopted on 13 February 2024

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

Passage in Principle

#### (16) Bill 190

An Act to recognize the Members' oath to the people of Québec as the sole oath required for Members to take office Introduced by the Member for Jean-Lesage on 1 December 2022

#### (17) Bill 191

An Act to amend the Act respecting safety in sports to prohibit fighting in sports activities in which persons under 18 years of age participate Introduced by the Member for Marquette on 8 December 2022

#### (18) Bill 192

An Act to ensure student health and safety in the classroom by regulating ambient air quality in schools

Introduced by the Member for Saint-Laurent on 7 December 2022

#### **(19)** Bill 193

An Act to amend the Charter of human rights and freedoms to recognize the right to a healthful environment as a fundamental right Introduced by the Member for Notre-Dame-de-Grâce on 1 February 2023

#### (20) Bill 195

An Act to amend the Consumer Protection Act to fight planned obsolescence and assert the right to repair goods
Introduced by the Member for Saint-Laurent on 2 February 2023

#### **(21)** Bill 196

An Act to amend the Educational Childcare Act to guarantee the right to receive childcare services
Introduced by the Member for Robert-Baldwin on 14 March 2023

#### **(22)** Bill 197

An Act to improve the quality of care through the setting of ratios in certain institutions governed by the Act respecting health services and social services

Introduced by the Member for Pontiac on 6 December 2022

#### (23) Bill 198

An Act to amend the Civil Code to ensure greater protection of seniors as lessees against repossession of dwellings and evictions Introduced by the Member for Sherbrooke on 21 February 2023

#### **(24)** Bill 199

An Act to better protect consumers against abusive credit contracts Introduced by the Member for Saint-Laurent on 23 February 2023

#### (25) Bill 390

An Act to promote taking gender equality and diversity in an intersectional perspective into account in the budgetary process Introduced by the Member for Mercier on 21 March 2023

#### (26) Bill 391

An Act to amend the Education Act to enshrine the right to free special school projects offered in schools providing preschool or elementary and secondary education and to limit the distance between immovables of a school with a special project

Introduced by the Member for Saint-Laurent on 16 March 2023

#### (27) Bill 392

An Act respecting the suspension of the issuing of new mining claims and ending the precedence of mining and gas rights over other land uses Introduced by the Member for Verdun on 18 April 2023

#### (28) Bill 393

An Act to combat food waste Introduced by the Member for Verdun on 6 April 2023

#### (29) Bill 394

An Act respecting the implementation of study-family-work balance policies in particular in higher education institutions Introduced by the Member for Hochelaga-Maisonneuve on **5 December 2023** 

#### (**30**) Bill 396

An Act to amend the Act to reduce the debt and establish the Generations Fund to provide for the achievement of a capitalization of one hundred billion dollars

Introduced by the Member for Marguerite-Bourgeoys on 16 March 2023

#### (**31**) Bill 397

An Act to prevent and fight sexual violence in educational institutions that provide preschool education services, elementary school instructional services or secondary school instructional services in general or vocational education, including adult education services

Introduced by the Member for Mercier on 27 April 2023

#### (**32**) Bill 398

An Act to amend the Education Act to enshrine the right of handicapped students and students with social maladjustments or learning disabilities to receive educational services equivalent to those provided by the school Introduced by the Member for Westmount–Saint-Louis on 20 April 2023

#### (33) Bill 399

An Act to amend the Act respecting the Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec to require the Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec to make and to report on investments with sustainable social and environmental impacts Introduced by the Member for Maurice-Richard on 27 April 2023

#### (**34**) Bill 490

An Act to reinforce the qualified majority required for the appointment and removal of persons appointed by the National Assembly Introduced by the Member for Nelligan on 18 April 2023

#### (35) Bill 491

491, An Act amending the Public Infrastructure Act to submit projects included in the Québec infrastructure plan to a climate test Introduced by the Member for Taschereau on 14 September 2023

#### (36) Bill 492

An Act to combat waste Introduced by the Member for Îles-de-la-Madeleine on **18 April 2023** 

#### (**37**) Bill 493

An Act to amend the Québec Immigration Act to take temporary residents into account for immigration planning purposes Introduced by the Member for Nelligan on 10 May 2023

#### (38) Bill 494

An Act to amend the Civil Code to render without effect the clauses of a lease of a dwelling tending to prohibit companion animals Introduced by the Member for Laurier-Dorion on 25 May 2023

#### (39) Bill 495

Anti-Farm Land Grabbing Act Introduced by the Member for Verdun on 26 September 2023 Resuming the debate adjourned in the name of the Member for Jonquière on 31 January 2024

#### (40) Bill 496

An Act to recognize the white admiral as the emblematic insect of Québec Introduced by the Member for Argenteuil on 9 June 2023

#### (41) Bill 498

498, An Act to proclaim National Maple Day Introduced by the Member for Beauce-Sud on **8 December 2023** 

#### (42) Bill 499

An Act to establish a new electoral system Introduced by the Member for Jean-Lesage on **5 October 2023** 

#### (43) Bill 593

An Act to amend the Civil Code to prohibit evictions carried out with a view to converting a dwelling into short-term tourist accommodation Introduced by the Member for Mille-Îles on 4 October 2023

#### (44) Bill 596

An Act amending mainly the Act respecting land use planning and development so that municipalities may adopt a differentiated zoning by-law aimed at increasing and sustaining the supply of social housing or affordable housing

Introduced by the Member for Mille-Îles on 24 October 2023

#### (45) Bill 597

An Act to amend the Environment Quality Act to establish a right of citizen initiative in environmental matters and reinforce the powers and independence of the Bureau d'audiences publiques sur l'environnement Introduced by the Member for Matane-Matapédia on 1 February 2024

#### (46) Bill 690

An Act to amend the Act respecting the Québec Pension Plan to rectify an inequity toward disabled retirees
Introduced by the Member for La Pinière on 23 November 2023
Resuming the debate ajourned on 7 **December 2023** 

#### **(47)** Bill 691

An Act to amend various legislative provisions regarding financial assistance for education expenses
Introduced by the Member for Matane-Matapédia on 7 December 2023

Committee Stage

#### (**48**) Bill 194

An Act to establish a presumption of consent to organ or tissue donation after death

Introduced by the Member for Pontiac on 26 April 2023

Passed in principle on 9 June 2023, and

Referred to the Committee on Health and Social Services

Report Stage

Passage

#### III. Private Bills

Hearings and Clause-by-Clause Consideration

(49) Bill 201

An Act respecting Municipalité de Morin-Heights Introduced by the Member for Argenteuil on **20 April 2023**, and Referred to the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain

**(50)** Bill 203

An Act respecting the objects and powers of the Roman Catholic Archiepiscopal corporation of Montreal

Introduced by the Member for Westmount-Saint-Louis on 19 April 2023, and

Referred to the Committee on Institutions

Passage in Principle

Passage

- **IV.** Government Motions
- V. Estimates of Expenditure
- VI. Statutory Debates

BUSINESS STANDING IN THE NAME OF MEMBERS IN OPPOSITION

# Part 3 BILLS PASSED

(Bills awaiting Royal Assent)

#### 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**

#### **Statuary Order**

- Examining the preliminary report of the Commission de la représentation électorale.

#### **COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION**

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

- Hearing of Hydro-Québec on Chapter 5 of the Auditor General's December 2022 report entitled "Hydro-Québec: maintenance des actifs du réseau de distribution d'électricité" (Hydro-Québec: Maintenance of electricity distribution network assets).
- Hearing of the Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux, the CISSS de la Montérégie-Centre, the CIUSSS de l'Estrie-CHUS and the CIUSS de l'Ouest-de-l'Île-de-Montréal on Chapter 2 of the Auditor General's May 2023 report entitled "Octroi de contrats de gré à gré : en vertu du décret d'urgence sanitaire, ou pour obtenir des places d'hébergement et de la main-d'œuvre indépendante" (Awarding untendered contracts: Under public health emergency orders, or to obtain residential and long term care beds and independent labour).
- Hearing of the Auditor General of Québec on its annual management report and financial commitments.

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

#### COMMITTEE ON PLANNING AND THE PUBLIC DOMAIN

#### Orders of reference

#### Consideration of Bills:

- **Bill 201**, An Act respecting Municipalité de Morin-Heights (Order of reference given on 20 April 2023).

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

#### **Orders of reference**

#### Consideration of Bills:

- **Bill 47**, An Act to reinforce the protection of students (Order of reference given on 6 February 2024).

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

#### Orders of reference

#### Consideration of Bills:

- **Bill 42**, An Act to prevent and fight psychological harassment and sexual violence in the workplace (Order of reference given on 7 February 2024).

#### **COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC FINANCE**

#### **Orders of reference**

#### Consideration of Bills:

- **Bill 30**, An Act to amend various provisions mainly with respect to the financial sector (Order of reference given on 12 September 2023).

#### **COMMITTEE ON INSTITUTIONS**

#### Orders of reference

#### **Consideration** of Bills:

- **Bill 203**, An Act respecting the objects and powers of the Roman Catholic Archiepiscopal corporation of Montreal (Order of reference given on 19 April 2023).

#### **COMMITTEE ON CITIZEN RELATIONS**

#### Orders of reference

#### Consideration of Bills:

- **Bill 46**, An Act to improve the protection of children receiving educational childcare services (Order of reference given on 8 February 2024).

#### Orders in compliance with the Standing Orders

#### **Interpellation**:

By the Member for Sherbrooke to the Minister Responsible for Seniors on the following subject: *The CAQ government's lack of preparation to deal with the aging population and to ensure that every Quebecer has the possibility of aging with dignity* (Notice given on 8 February 2024).

#### COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

#### Orders of reference

#### Consideration of Bills:

- **Bill 37**, An Act respecting the Commissioner for Children's Well-Being and Rights (Order of reference given on 14 February 2023).
- **Bill 194**, An Act to establish a presumption of consent to organ or tissue donation after death (Order of reference given on 9 June 2023).

#### **Orders of initiative**

 The ways to facilitate organ and tissue donation, in particular the adoption of presumed consent to organ and tissue donation.

#### COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND THE ENVIRONMENT

#### **Orders of reference**

#### Consideration of Bills:

Bill 41, An Act to enact the Act respecting the environmental performance of buildings and to amend various provisions regarding energy transition (Order of reference given on 8 February 2024).

#### WRITTEN QUESTIONS

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

### (98) Ms. Nichols (Vaudreuil) – **15 February 2024**To the Minister of Education

The teacher shortage is very real and its impacts are devastating. The quality of the teaching provided to our children is being affected, but even worse is the fact that in many cases teaching is not happening at all. And "no teaching" means "no evaluation".

This is the case for many students at École secondaire des Échos in Vaudreuil-Dorion. In their report cards for the first term of the 2023–2024 school year, no results were entered for French, the only reason being that the students have not been evaluated.

These students are preparing for college and are very worried about the negative impacts on their applications. Will their grade point average be negatively affected? Will they be less likely to be accepted by a college?

We therefore ask the Minister of Education to clarify this matter for us. First of all, can the Minister explain why some students have not been evaluated?

Secondly, can the Minister explain what measures he intends to implement in order to not adversely affect the overall average of high school students, in particular that of graduates?

Furthermore, to reassure students and their parents, can the Minister confirm that CEGEP applications will be accepted despite the absence of certain evaluations?

#### **NOTICES**

#### I. NOTICES PREVIOUSLY GIVEN

#### **Government Bills**

(a) 14 February 2024

An Act to enact the Act respecting protection against reprisals related to the disclosure of wrongdoings and to amend other legislative provisions – Minister Responsible for Government Administration and Chair of the Conseil du trésor

#### **Private Members' Public Bills**

**(b)** 12 September 2023

An Act to make available the documents from the inquiry conducted by Investigation Commissioner Bernard Grenier concerning the unlawful activities of Option Canada in the 1995 Québec Referendum – *Member for Camille-Laurin* 

(c) 5 December 2023

An Act to amend mainly the Act respecting the Québec Pension Plan to abolish the reduction of the retirement pension of a person who receives a disability pension between 60 and 65 years of age – *Member for Maurice-Richard* 

#### **Private Bills**

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

(aa) An Act to follow up on the Table Justice-Québec with a view to reducing processing times in criminal and penal matters and to make the administration of justice more efficient – *Minister of Justice*