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of the Assembly

Tuesday, 28 January 2025 — No. 174

**President of the National Assembly:
Madam Nathalie Roy**

The Assembly was called to order at 1:40 p.m.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

Statements by Members

Mr. Lévesque (Chauveau) made a statement to underline the 50th anniversary of the Cercle de Fermières Saint-Émile.

Ms. Maccarone (Westmount–Saint-Louis) made a statement to underline the 50th anniversary of Concordia University.

Ms. Lecours (Les Plaines) made a statement to pay tribute to Mr. Jean-Sébastien Renaud.

Mr. Fontecilla (Laurier-Dorion) made a statement to pay tribute to Ms. Leonora Indira King.

Mr. Montigny (René-Lévesque) made a statement to underline the 25th anniversary of Maison Anita-Lebel.

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Ms. Setlakwe (Mont-Royal–Outremont) made a statement to underline International Data Protection Day.

Ms. Haytayan (Laval-des-Rapides) made a statement to express solidarity with and support for the families and friends of the victims of the Garderie éducative Sainte-Rose tragedy.

Mr. Bérubé (Matane-Matapédia) made a statement to ask for the maintenance of local legal services in the MRC de La Mitis.

Mr. Drainville (Lévis) made a statement to underline the 80th anniversary of the Lévis Lions Club.

Mr. Lévesque (Chapleau) made a statement to underline the 40th anniversary of the SPCA de l'Outaouais.

Mr. Asselin (Vanier-Les Rivières) made a statement to underline Heart Month.

Ms. Biron (Chutes-de-la-Chaudière) made a statement to underline the Chambre de commerce et d'industrie du Grand Lévis' Cocktail des Gouverneur.es.

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At 1:54 p.m., Ms. Soucy, First Vice-President, suspended the proceedings for a few minutes.

The proceedings resumed at 2:07 p.m.

At the request of the President, the Assembly observed a moment of silence in memory of Mr. Paul Phaneuf, former Member for Vaudreuil-Soulanges, and Mr. Gérard-Raymond Morin, former Member for Dubuc.

The President then tabled the following:

A letter, dated 9 December 2024, she had received from Mr. Marc Tanguay, Leader of the Official Opposition, informing her that, as of 8 December 2024, Ms. Michelle Setlakwe, Member for Mont-Royal-Outremont, no longer holds the position of Deputy House Leader of the Official Opposition;

(Sessional Paper No. 2153-20250128)

A letter, dated 27 January 2025, she had received from Mr. Gabriel Nadeau-Dubois, Leader of the Second Opposition Group, informing her of the appointment of Mr. Guillaume Cliche-Rivard, Member for Saint-Henri-Sainte-Anne, as House Leader of the Second Opposition Group to replace Mr. Alexandre Leduc, Member for Hochelaga-Maisonneuve.

(Sessional Paper No. 2154-20250128)

Presenting Papers

Mr. Girard, Minister of Finance, tabled the following:

The 2023–2024 annual management report of Revenu Québec.

(Sessional Paper No. 2155-20250128)

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Mr. Charette, Minister of the Environment, the Fight Against Climate Change, Wildlife and Parks, tabled the following:

The financial statements of the Electrification and Climate Change Fund for the fiscal year ending 31 March 2024;

(Sessional Paper No. 2156-20250128)

The financial statements of the Blue Fund for the nine-month fiscal period ending 31 March 2024;

(Sessional Paper No. 2157-20250128)

The financial statements of the Fund for the Protection of the Environment and the Waters in the Domain of the State for the fiscal year ending 31 March 2024;

(Sessional Paper No. 2158-20250128)

The implementation report of the *Act to increase the number of zero-emission motor vehicles in Québec in order to reduce greenhouse gas and other pollutant emissions* on the evolution and results of the zero-emission vehicle standard as at 1 September 2024 entitled “Rapport d’application – Évolution de la norme véhicules zéro émission et résultats au 1^{er} septembre 2024”.

(Sessional Paper No. 2159-20250128)

Mr. Drainville, Minister of Education, tabled the following:

The 2024–2028 strategic plan of the National Student Ombudsman.

(Sessional Paper No. 2160-20250128)

Ms. Déry, Minister of Higher Education, tabled the following:

The 2023–2024 annual management report of the Commission d’évaluation de l’enseignement collégial.

(Sessional Paper No. 2161-20250128)

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Mr. Lacombe, Minister of Culture and Communications, tabled the following:

The 2023–2024 annual management report of the Conservatoire de musique et d'art dramatique du Québec.

(Sessional Paper No. 2162-20250128)

Ms. Biron, Minister of International Relations and La Francophonie, tabled the following:

Decision No. 1/2024 of the Joint Committee on Mutual Recognition of Professional Qualifications of 10 October 2024 setting out an agreement on the mutual recognition of professional qualifications for architects within the context of the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement between Canada and the European Union and its Member States, along with a note explaining its contents and effects.

(Sessional Paper No. 2163-20250128)

She then tabled the following motion:

THAT, pursuant to section 22.3 of the *Act respecting the Ministère des Relations internationales*, the National Assembly approve Decision No. 1/2024 of the Joint Committee on Mutual Recognition of Professional Qualifications of 10 October 2024 setting out an agreement on the mutual recognition of professional qualifications for architects within the context of the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement between Canada and the European Union and its Member States.

(Sessional Paper No. 2164-20250128)

Ms. Duranceau, Minister Responsible for Housing, tabled the following:

The third Canada-Québec agreement concerning the Rapid Housing Initiative.

(Sessional Paper No. 2165-20250128)

Mr. Jolin-Barrette, Government House Leader, tabled the following:

The reply to a written question from Ms. McGraw (Notre-Dame-de-Grâce) on social assistance recipients seeking employment or another form of social participation – Question No. 192, *Order Paper and Notices* of 19 November 2024; (Sessional Paper No. 2166-20250128)

The reply to a written question from Ms. Cadet (Bourassa-Sauvé) on the specific measures planned to address the staff turnover challenges and ensure that the Offices jeunesse internationaux du Québec’s 2024–2025 objectives are met – Question No. 199, *Order Paper and Notices* of 27 November 2024; (Sessional Paper No. 2167-20250128)

The reply to a written question from Mr. St-Pierre Plamondon (Camille-Laurin) on the progress made in the implementation of the 190 recommendations set out in the report on rebuilding trust entitled “Rebâtir la confiance” – Question No. 200, *Order Paper and Notices* of 27 November 2024; (Sessional Paper No. 2168-20250128)

The reply to a written question from Ms. Prass (D’Arcy-McGee) on the number of interventions carried out without the consent of vulnerable persons, namely seniors and persons of full age in vulnerable situations – Question No. 201, *Order Paper and Notices* of 28 November 2024; (Sessional Paper No. 2169-20250128)

The reply to a written question from Ms. Rotiroti (Jeanne-Mance–Viger) on the demonstration held on 22 November 2024 by the militant organization NATO Counter Summit – Question No. 203, *Order Paper and Notices* of 28 November 2024; (Sessional Paper No. 2170-20250128)

The reply to a written question from Mr. Zanetti (Jean-Lesage) on student financial insecurity and student financial assistance – Question No. 207, *Order Paper and Notices* of 29 November 2024; (Sessional Paper No. 2171-20250128)

The reply to a written question from Ms. Cadet (Bourassa-Sauvé) on follow-up measures to the petition on the *Act respecting collective agreement decrees* – Question No. 209, *Order Paper and Notices* of 3 December 2024; (Sessional Paper No. 2172-20250128)

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The reply to a written question from Mr. Grandmont (Taschereau) on the insurance coverage for road accident victims – Question No. 216, *Order Paper and Notices* of 6 December 2024;

(Sessional Paper No. 2173-20250128)

The reply to a written question from Mr. Morin (Acadie) on the treaty negotiations with Regroupement Petapan – Question No. 222, *Order Paper and Notices* of 6 December 2024;

(Sessional Paper No. 2174-20250128)

The Government's reply to a petition tabled on 30 October 2024 by Ms. Maccarone (Westmount–Saint-Louis) on a request to exempt Indigenous students from the provisions of the *Act respecting French, the official and common language of Québec*;

(Sessional Paper No. 2175-20250128)

The Government's reply to a petition tabled on 7 November 2024 by Mr. St-Louis (Joliette) on a request for a moratorium on logging in Saint-Zénon;

(Sessional Paper No. 2176-20250128)

The Government's reply to a petition tabled on 26 November 2024 by Ms. Ghazal (Mercier) on the implementation of a program for free access to contraception.

(Sessional Paper No. 2177-20250128)

The President tabled the following:

The new seating plan of the National Assembly, dated 28 January 2025.

(Sessional Paper No. 2178-20250128)

The President then tabled the following decisions of the Office of the National Assembly, dated 5 December 2024:

Decision 2339 concerning the *Règlement modifiant le Règlement sur les emplois occasionnels et étudiants et les stages ainsi que leurs titulaires à l'Assemblée nationale* (regulation to amend the regulation on casual and student employment and internships as well as the persons holding those positions at the National Assembly);

(Sessional Paper No. 2179-20250128)

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Decision 2341 concerning the Règlement modifiant le Règlement facilitant la divulgation d'actes répréhensibles à l'égard de l'Assemblée nationale et d'autres dispositions réglementaires (regulation to amend the regulation to facilitate the disclosure of wrongdoings at the National Assembly and other regulatory provisions);

(Sessional Paper No. 2180-20250128)

Decision 2342 concerning the Règlement modifiant le Règlement sur la rémunération et les conditions de travail du personnel d'un député et d'autres dispositions réglementaires (regulation to amend the regulation respecting the remuneration and conditions of employment of the staff of Members and other regulatory provisions).

(Sessional Paper No. 2181-20250128)

She then tabled the following:

A copy of a letter, dated 12 December 2024, to Ms. Geneviève Guilbault, Minister of Transport and Sustainable Mobility, from Mr. Éric Ducharme, President and CEO of the Société de l'assurance automobile du Québec, concerning the 2023 financial statements and annual report of the Société de l'assurance automobile du Québec;

(Sessional Paper No.2182-20250128)

A letter, dated 18 January 2025, she had received from Mr. Claude Corbo, Chair of the Unité Permanente Anticorruption Oversight Committee, informing her of his resignation as Chair of the Unité Permanente Anticorruption Oversight Committee, effective 31 January 2025;

(Sessional Paper No. 2183-20250128)

A letter, dated 26 December 2024, she had received from Ms. Diane Derome, informing her of her resignation as member of the Unité Permanente Anticorruption Oversight Committee, effective 1 January 2025;

(Sessional Paper No. 2184-20250128)

A letter, dated 7 January 2025, she had received from Mr. Philippe-André Tessier, President of the Commission des droits de la personne et de la jeunesse, informing her that Ms. Stéphanie Gareau, in her capacity as Vice-President of the Commission, will be specifically responsible for the mandate entrusted to the Commission under the *Youth Protection Act* and that Ms. Myrlande Pierre will continue to be specifically responsible for the mandate entrusted to the Commission under the *Charter of human rights and freedoms*;

(Sessional Paper No. 2185-20250128)

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A letter, dated 28 January 2025, she had received from Ms. Filomena Rotiroti, Chief Whip of the Official Opposition, informing her of the appointment of Ms. Michelle Setlakwe, Member for Mont-Royal–Outremont, as member of the Office of the National Assembly to replace Ms. Désirée McGraw, Member for Notre-Dame-de-Grâce;

(Sessional Paper No. 2186-20250128)

A letter, dated 27 January 2025, she had received from Mr. Gabriel Nadeau-Dubois, Leader of the Second Opposition Group, informing her of the appointment of Mr. Guillaume Cliche-Rivard, Member for Saint-Henri–Sainte-Anne, as substitute member of the Office of the National Assembly, to replace Mr. Alexandre Leduc, Member for Hochelaga-Maisonneuve.

(Sessional Paper No. 2187-20250128)

Ms. Soucy, First Vice-President, moved that these modifications to the composition of the Office of the National Assembly be adopted.

The motion was carried.

Lastly, the President tabled the following:

A copy of the notice of motion by Mr. Tanguay, Leader of the Official Opposition, to be placed on the *Order Paper and Notices* of Wednesday, 29 January 2025, under Business Standing in the Name of Members in Opposition.

(Sessional Paper No. 2188-20250128)

Oral Questions and Answers

The Assembly proceeded to Oral Question Period.

By leave of the Assembly to set aside Standing Orders 53 and 59, Mr. Ciccone (Marquette) tabled the following:

A document requesting that the Québec government, school service centres and school boards uphold their commitments to the people of Montréal regarding sports and recreation entitled “Déclaration pour demander à l’ensemble des parties, soit le gouvernement du Québec, les centres de services scolaires et les commissions scolaires de respecter leurs engagements auprès de la population montréalaise à soutenir la pratique sportive et des loisirs”.

(Sessional Paper No. 2189-20250128)

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By leave of the Assembly to set aside Standing Order 53, Mr. Drainville, Minister of Education, tabled the following:

A document on the growth of the expenditure budget entitled “Croissance du budget de dépenses”.

(Sessional Paper No. 2190-20250128)

Motions Without Notice

By leave of the Assembly to set aside Standing Order 185, Ms. Fréchette, Minister of Economy, Innovation and Energy, together with Mr. Beauchemin (Marguerite-Bourgeoys), Ms. Zaga Mendez (Verdun), Mr. Paradis (Jean-Talon), Ms. Nichols (Vaudreuil), Mr. Lefebvre (Arthabaska) and Mr. Chassin (Saint-Jérôme), moved:

THAT the National Assembly express its firm opposition to the imposition of tariffs on Canadian products exported to the United States;

THAT it affirm that it is not in the interests of the United States to spark a trade conflict with Canada and Québec;

THAT it reiterate the need to be prepared for every contingency in order to protect the Québec economy and Québec businesses;

THAT it reiterate the importance of remaining united in the face of a tariff threat.

The question was put on this motion, and an electronic division was thereupon demanded.

The motion was carried on the following vote:

(Division No. **372** in Appendix)

Yeas: **108** Nays: **0** Abstentions: **0**

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Mr. Tanguay, Leader of the Official Opposition, together with Ms. Nichols (Vaudreuil), Mr. Lefebvre (Arthabaska) and Mr. Chassin (Saint-Jérôme), moved a motion on relations with the United States; this motion could not be debated for want of unanimous consent.

Mr. Leduc (Hochelaga-Maisonneuve) moved a motion on the company Amazon in Québec; this motion could not be debated for want of unanimous consent.

Mr. St-Pierre Plamondon, Leader of the Third Opposition Group, together with Ms. Zaga Mendez (Verdun), Ms. Nichols (Vaudreuil) and Mr. Chassin (Saint-Jérôme), moved a motion on the plan for budget cuts in Québec government departments and bodies; this motion could not be debated for want of unanimous consent.

By leave of the Assembly to set aside Standing Order 84.1 and pursuant to Standing Order 146, Mr. Jolin-Barrette, Government House Leader, moved that the question be put as a unit on the following motions, without reading them beforehand:

THAT the National Assembly give effect to the order of reference given to the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain within the framework of the consideration of Bill 86, An Act to ensure the long-term preservation and vitality of agricultural land, to hold special consultations and public hearings on Tuesday, 28 January 2025 from 9:45 a.m. to 12:25 p.m. and after Notices of Proceedings in Committees from approximately 3:15 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.; on Wednesday, 29 January 2025 after Notices of Proceedings in Committees from approximately 11:15 a.m. to 12:50 p.m. and from 3:00 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.; and on Thursday, 30 January 2025 after Notices of Proceedings in Committees from approximately 11:15 a.m. to 12:50 p.m.;

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THAT, for this purpose, the Committee hear the following individuals and organizations:

Union des producteurs agricoles
Fédération de la relève agricole du Québec
Institut Jean-Garon
Communauté métropolitaine de Montréal
Alliance SaluTERRE
Association de l'agrotourisme et du tourisme gourmand
du Québec
Vivre en ville
Chambre des notaires du Québec
Producteurs et productrices acéricoles du Québec
Pangea
Producteurs de grains du Québec
Institut de recherche et de développement en
agroenvironnement
Institut de recherche en économie contemporaine
Commission de protection du territoire agricole du
Québec
Union des municipalités du Québec
Fédération québécoise des municipalités;

THAT a period of 12 minutes be set aside for opening statements, allocated as follows: 6 minutes to the parliamentary group forming the Government, 4 minutes 30 seconds to the parliamentary group forming the Official Opposition and 1 minute 30 seconds to the Second Opposition Group;

THAT the presentation by each organization last no longer than 10 minutes and the exchange with the Committee members last no longer than 35 minutes, allocated as follows: 17 minutes 30 seconds to the parliamentary group forming the Government, 13 minutes 8 seconds to the Official Opposition and 4 minutes 23 seconds to the Second Opposition Group;

THAT a 5-minute interval be scheduled between discussions with each organization;

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THAT the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food be a member of the said Committee during its proceedings with respect to this order of reference.

THAT the National Assembly give effect to the order of reference given to the Committee on Labour and the Economy within the framework of the consideration of Bill 85, An Act to amend various provisions for the main purpose of reducing regulatory and administrative burden, to hold special consultations and public hearings on Tuesday, 11 February 2025 from 9:45 a.m. to 12:25 p.m. and after Notices of Proceedings in Committees from approximately 3:15 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.; and on Wednesday, 12 February 2025 after Notices of Proceedings in Committees from approximately 11:15 a.m. to 12:50 p.m. and from 3:00 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.;

THAT, for this purpose, the Committee hear the following individuals and organizations:

Association des microbrasseries du Québec
Producteurs de cidre du Québec and Conseil des vins du Québec, together
Association québécoise des pharmaciens-propriétaires
Union des producteurs agricoles
Conseil de la transformation alimentaire du Québec
Retail Council of Quebec
Retail Council of Canada
Canadian Federation of Independent Business
Association des brasseurs du Québec
Association des restaurateurs du Québec
Manufacturiers et Exportateurs du Québec
Conseil du patronat du Québec
Fédération des travailleurs et travailleuses du Québec
Nature Québec and Centre québécois du droit de l'environnement, together;

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THAT a period of 12 minutes be set aside for opening statements, allocated as follows: 6 minutes to the parliamentary group forming the Government, 3 minutes 36 seconds to the Official Opposition, 1 minute 12 seconds to the Second Opposition Group and 1 minute 12 seconds to the independent Member;

THAT the presentation by each organization last no longer than 10 minutes and the exchange with the Committee members last no longer than 35 minutes, allocated as follows: 17 minutes 30 seconds to the parliamentary group forming the Government, 10 minutes 30 seconds to the Official Opposition, 3 minutes 30 seconds to the Second Opposition Group and 3 minutes 30 seconds to the independent Member;

THAT a 5-minute interval be scheduled between discussions with each organization;

THAT the Minister for the Economy be a member of the said Committee during its proceedings with respect to this order of reference.

THAT the National Assembly give effect to the order of reference given to the Committee on Labour and the Economy within the framework of the consideration of Bill 87, An Act respecting mainly the development and enhancement of industrial land and the governance of the Société du parc industriel et portuaire de Bécancour, to hold special consultations and public hearings on Tuesday, 28 January 2025 from 9:45 a.m. to 12:25 p.m. and after Notices of Proceedings in Committees from approximately 3:15 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.;

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THAT, for this purpose, the Committee hear the following individuals and organizations:

Société du parc industriel et portuaire de Bécancour
Ville de Bécancour
MRC de Bécancour
Abenaki council of Wôlinak
Chambre de commerce d'industrie du Coeur-du-Québec
Manufacturiers et Exportateurs du Québec
Groupe de concertation des bassins versants de la zone
Bécancour;

THAT a period of 12 minutes be set aside for opening statements, allocated as follows: 6 minutes to the parliamentary group forming the Government, 3 minutes 36 seconds to the Official Opposition, 1 minute 12 seconds to the Second Opposition Group and 1 minute 12 seconds to the independent Member;

THAT the presentation by each organization last no longer than 10 minutes and the exchange with the Committee members last no longer than 35 minutes, allocated as follows: 17 minutes 30 seconds to the parliamentary group forming the Government, 10 minutes 30 seconds to the Official Opposition, 3 minutes 30 seconds to the Second Opposition Group and 3 minutes 30 seconds to the independent Member;

THAT a 5-minute interval be scheduled between discussions with each organization;

THAT the Minister for the Economy be a member of the said Committee during its proceedings with respect to this order of reference.

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THAT the National Assembly give effect to the order of reference given to the Committee on Public Finance within the framework of the consideration of Bill 82, An Act respecting the national digital identity and amending other provisions, to hold special consultations and public hearings on Tuesday, 28 January 2025 from 9:45 a.m. to 12:25 p.m. and after Notices of Proceedings in Committees from approximately 3:15 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.; and on Wednesday, 29 January 2025 after Notices of Proceedings in Committees from approximately 11:15 a.m. to 12:50 p.m. and from 3:00 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.;

THAT, for this purpose, the Committee hear the following individuals and organizations:

International Observatory on the Societal Impacts of Artificial Intelligence and Digital Technologies
Commission d'accès à l'information
Institut de gouvernance numérique du Québec
Multidisciplinary Institute for Cybersecurity and Cyber Resilience
Ms. Joanne Castonguay, Health and Welfare Commissioner
Association québécoise des technologies
Ligue des droits et libertés
Syndicat de la fonction publique et parapublique du Québec and Syndicat des professionnelles et professionnels du gouvernement du Québec, together
Commission de l'éthique en science et en technologie
Public Protector (Québec Ombudsman)
Prof. Sébastien Gambs, Canada Research Chair in Privacy-preserving and Ethical Analysis of Big Data
Auditor General of Québec
Mr. Steve Waterhouse, cybersecurity expert
Consortium pour l'accès aux données en santé du Québec;

THAT a period of 12 minutes be set aside for opening statements, allocated as follows: 6 minutes to the parliamentary group forming the Government, 3 minutes 36 seconds to the Official Opposition, 1 minute 12 seconds to the Second Opposition Group and 1 minute 12 seconds to the independent Member;

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THAT the presentation by each organization last no longer than 10 minutes and the exchange with the Committee members last no longer than 35 minutes, allocated as follows: 17 minutes 30 seconds to the parliamentary group forming the Government, 10 minutes 30 seconds to the Official Opposition, 3 minutes 30 seconds to the Second Opposition Group and 3 minutes 30 seconds to the independent Member;

THAT a 5-minute interval be scheduled between discussions with each individual or organization;

THAT the Minister of Cybersecurity and Digital Technology be a member of the said Committee during its proceedings with respect to this order of reference.

THAT the National Assembly give effect to the order of reference given to the Committee on Institutions within the framework of the consideration of Bill 88, An Act amending the Act respecting the process of negotiation of collective agreements and the settlement of disputes in the municipal sector, to hold special consultations and public hearings on Tuesday, 28 January 2025 from 9:45 a.m. to 12:25 p.m.; and on Wednesday, 29 January 2025 after Notices of Proceedings in Committees from approximately 11:15 a.m. to 12:50 p.m. and from 3:00 p.m. to 4:35 p.m.;

THAT, for this purpose, the Committee hear the following individuals and organizations:

Conseil provincial du secteur incendie SPQ-SCFP
Fédération des policiers et policières municipaux du Québec
Association des directeurs de police du Québec
Union des municipalités du Québec
Fédération québécoise des municipalités
Mr. Michel Coutu, Professor Emeritus, School of Industrial Relations, Université de Montréal
Association des Pompiers de Montréal;

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THAT a period of 12 minutes be set aside for opening statements, allocated as follows: 6 minutes to the parliamentary group forming the Government, 3 minutes 36 seconds to the Official Opposition, 1 minute 12 seconds to the Second Opposition Group and 1 minute 12 seconds to the independent Member;

THAT the presentation by each organization last no longer than 10 minutes and the exchange with the Committee members last no longer than 35 minutes, allocated as follows: 17 minutes 30 seconds to the parliamentary group forming the Government, 10 minutes 30 seconds to the Official Opposition, 3 minutes 30 seconds to the Second Opposition Group and 3 minute 30 seconds to the independent Member;

THAT a 5-minute interval be scheduled between discussions with each individual or organization;

THAT the Minister of Labour be a member of the said Committee during its proceedings with respect to this order of reference.

THAT the National Assembly give effect to the order of reference given to the Committee on Health and Social Services within the framework of the consideration of Bill 83, An Act to foster the practice of medicine in the public health and social services network, to hold special consultations and public hearings on Thursday, 6 February 2025 after Notices of Proceedings in Committees from approximately 11:15 a.m. to 1:05 p.m. and from 2:00 p.m. to 4:25 p.m.; and on Tuesday, 10 February 2025 from 9:45 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. and after Notices of Proceedings in Committees from approximately 3:15 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.;

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THAT, for this purpose, the Committee hear the following individuals and organizations:

Fédération des médecins omnipraticiens du Québec
Fédération des médecins spécialistes du Québec
Fédération médicale étudiante du Québec
Fédération des médecins résidents du Québec
Action Santé Outaouais
Canadian Health Coalition
Canadian Medical Association
Collège des médecins du Québec
Confédération des syndicats nationaux
Regroupement des étudiants en médecine de l'Université Laval, Association des étudiantes et étudiants en médecine de l'Université de Montréal, Association générale étudiante de médecine de l'Université de Sherbrooke and Medical Students' Society of McGill University, together
Médecins québécois pour le régime public
Alliance du personnel professionnel et technique de la santé et des services sociaux
Régie de l'assurance maladie du Québec;

THAT a period of 12 minutes be set aside for opening statements, allocated as follows: 6 minutes to the parliamentary group forming the Government, 3 minutes 36 seconds to the Official Opposition, 1 minute 12 seconds to the Second Opposition Group and 1 minute 12 seconds to the independent Member;

THAT the presentation by each organization last no longer than 10 minutes and the exchange with the Committee members last no longer than 35 minutes, allocated as follows: 17 minutes 30 seconds to the parliamentary group forming the Government, 10 minutes 30 seconds to the Official Opposition, 3 minutes 30 seconds to the Second Opposition Group and 3 minutes 30 seconds to the independent Member;

THAT a 5-minute interval be scheduled between discussions with each organization;

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THAT the Minister of Health be a member of the said Committee during its proceedings with respect to this order of reference.

THAT the National Assembly give effect to the order of reference given to the Committee on Transportation and the Environment within the framework of the consideration of Bill 81, An Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment, to hold special consultations and public hearings on Tuesday, 28 January 2025 from 9:45 a.m. to 12:25 p.m. and after Notices of Proceedings in Committees from approximately 3:15 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.; on Wednesday, 29 January 2025 after Notices of Proceedings in Committees from approximately 11:15 a.m. to 12:50 p.m. and from 3:00 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.; on Thursday, 30 January 2025 after Notices of Proceedings in Committees from approximately 11:15 a.m. to 12:50 p.m. and from 2:00 p.m. to 4:25 p.m., and on Tuesday, 4 February 2025 from 9:45 a.m. to 12:10 p.m.;

THAT, for this purpose, the Committee hear the following individuals and organizations:

Hydro-Québec
Union des municipalités du Québec
Fédération québécoise des municipalités
Centre québécois du droit de l'environnement
Regroupement des organismes environnementaux en Énergie
Ducks Unlimited Canada
Nature-Québec
Quebec Business Council on the Environment
Conseil des entreprises en technologies environnementales du Québec
Canadian Vehicle Manufacturers' Association
Propulsion Québec
Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society, Quebec Chapter
Fédération des chambres de commerce du Québec
Electric Mobility Canada
Front commun québécois pour une gestion écologique des déchets
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Association du camionnage du Québec
Conseil du patronat
Bureau d'audience publique sur l'environnement
First Nations of Quebec and Labrador Sustainable
Development Institute
Regroupement des organismes de bassins versants du
Québec
Urban Development Institute of Quebec;

THAT a period of 12 minutes be set aside for opening statements, allocated as follows: 6 minutes to the parliamentary group forming the Government, 3 minutes 36 seconds to the Official Opposition, 1 minute 12 seconds to the Second Opposition Group and 1 minute 12 seconds to the independent Member;

THAT the presentation by each organization last no longer than 10 minutes and the exchange with the Committee members last no longer than 35 minutes, allocated as follows: 17 minutes 30 seconds to the parliamentary group forming the Government, 10 minutes 30 seconds to the Official Opposition, 3 minutes 30 seconds to the Second Opposition Group and 3 minutes 30 seconds to the independent Member;

THAT a 5-minute interval be scheduled between discussions with each organization;

THAT the Minister of the Environment, the Fight Against Climate Change, Wildlife and Parks be a member of the said Committee during its proceedings with respect to this order of reference.

By leave of the Assembly, the motions were carried.

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Pursuant to Standing Order 129, Ms. Rotiroti, Chief Whip of the Official Opposition, moved:

THAT the Member for Jacques-Cartier be named a permanent member of the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries, Energy and Natural Resources in substitution for the Member for Saint-Laurent;

THAT the Member for Acadie be named a permanent member of the Committee on Public Finance in substitution for the Member for Saint-Laurent;

THAT the Member for Bourassa-Sauvé be named a permanent member of the Committee on Culture and Education in substitution for the Member for Saint-Laurent;

THAT these changes take effect immediately.

The motion was carried.

Notices of Proceedings in Committees

Mr. Lévesque, Deputy Government House Leader, convened the following committee:

- the Committee on Labour and the Economy, to continue its public hearings within the framework of special consultations on Bill 87, An Act respecting mainly the development and enhancement of industrial land and the governance of the Société du parc industriel et portuaire de Bécancour.

And, by leave of the Assembly to set aside Standing Order 143, he convened the following committee:

- the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain, to continue its public hearings within the framework of special consultations on Bill 86, An Act to ensure the long-term preservation and vitality of agricultural land;

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- the Committee on Transportation and the Environment, to continue its public hearings within the framework of special consultations on Bill 81, An Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment;
- the Committee on Public Finance, to continue its public hearings within the framework of special consultations on Bill 82, An Act respecting the national digital identity and amending other provisions.

Information on the Proceedings of the Assembly

Ms. Soucy, First Vice-President, informed the Assembly that on Wednesday, 29 January 2025, during Business Standing in the Name of Members in Opposition, a debate would be held on the motion moved by Mr. Tanguay, Leader of the Official Opposition.

This motion reads as follows:

THAT the National Assembly take note of U.S. president Donald Trump's oft-repeated threat to impose 25% tariffs on Canadian exports to the United States;

THAT it acknowledge that the imposition of such tariffs would have a major impact on the competitiveness of thousands of Québec companies, greatly weaken our economy, and jeopardize thousands of jobs;

THAT it ask the Québec government to step up its diplomatic initiatives with elected U.S. officials, both in Washington D.C. and in key states with which Québec maintains major trade relations, to raise awareness on the negative impacts of a trade war;

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THAT it declare that the Canadian economic market constitutes a major advantage for Québec in this situation, and that the diversification of Québec exports to other Canadian provinces and to countries other than the United States is a need that the Québec government must address with energy and leadership;

THAT, lastly, it ask the CAQ government to commit to creating a departmental action group tasked with diligently removing obstacles to interprovincial trade.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills

Passage in Principle

Ms. Laforest, Minister of Municipal Affairs, moved that Bill 79, An Act to enact the Act respecting contracting by municipal bodies and to amend various provisions mainly for the purpose of reducing the administrative burden of municipal bodies, do now pass in principle.

After debate thereon, the motion was carried, and Bill 79 was accordingly passed in principle.

Mr. Lévesque, Deputy Government House Leader, moved that Bill 79 be referred to the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain for clause-by-clause consideration.

The motion was carried.

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At 4:15 p.m., at the request of Mr. Lévesque, Deputy Government House Leader, Ms. Soucy, First Vice-President, suspended the proceedings until 6:30 p.m.

Debates upon Adjournment

At 6:30 p.m., the Assembly held two debates upon adjournment:

- the first, on a question from Ms. Caron (La Pinière) to Ms. Bélanger, Minister Responsible for Seniors, about the abolition of orderly positions in the health network;
- the second, on a question from Ms. Prass (D'Arcy-McGee) to Mr. Carmant, Minister Responsible for Social Services, about the surge of homelessness in Québec.

At 6:55 p.m., Mr. Benjamin, Third Vice-President, adjourned the Assembly until Wednesday, 29 January 2025 at 9:40 a.m.

NATHALIE ROY

President

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APPENDIX

Electronic Divisions

On the motion moved by Ms. Fréchette, Minister of Economy, Innovation and Energy, together with Mr. Beauchemin (Marguerite-Bourgeoys), Ms. Zaga Mendez (Verdun), Mr. Paradis (Jean-Talon), Ms. Nichols (Vaudreuil), Mr. Lefebvre (Arthabaska) and Mr. Chassin (Saint-Jérôme):

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Abou-Khalil (CAQ)	Chassin (IND)	Julien (CAQ)	Paradis (PQ)
Allaire (CAQ)	Ciccone (QLP)	Kelley (QLP)	Picard (CAQ)
Arseneau (PQ)	Cliche-Rivard (QS)	Lachance (CAQ)	Poulet (CAQ)
Asselin (CAQ)	Derraji (QLP)	Lacombe (CAQ)	Poulin (CAQ)
Bachand (CAQ)	Déry (CAQ)	Laforest (CAQ)	Prass (QLP)
Beauchemin (QLP)	Dionne (CAQ)	Laframboise (CAQ)	Provençal (CAQ)
Bélanger (CAQ)	Dorismond (CAQ)	Lafrenière (CAQ)	Reid (CAQ)
(Prévost)	Drainville (CAQ)	Lakhoyan Olivier (QLP)	Rivest (CAQ)
Bélanger (CAQ)	Dubé (CAQ)	Lamontagne (CAQ)	Roberge (CAQ)
(Orford)	Dufour (QLP)	LeBel (CAQ)	Rotiroti (QLP)
Bernard (CAQ)	(Mille-Îles)	Lecours (CAQ)	Rouleau (CAQ)
Bérubé (PQ)	Duranceau (CAQ)	(Les Plaines)	Roy (CAQ)
Biron (CAQ)	Émond (CAQ)	Lecours (CAQ)	Sainte-Croix (CAQ)
Blais (CAQ)	Fontecilla (QS)	(Lotbinière-Frontenac)	Schmaltz (CAQ)
Blanchette Vézina (CAQ)	Fortin (QLP)	Leduc (QS)	Schneeberger (CAQ)
Blouin (CAQ)	Fréchette (CAQ)	Lefebvre (IND)	Setlakwe (QLP)
Bogemans (CAQ)	Gagnon (CAQ)	Lemay (CAQ)	Simard (CAQ)
Bonnardel (CAQ)	Garceau (QLP)	Lemieux (CAQ)	Skeete (CAQ)
Bouazzi (QS)	Gendron (CAQ)	Lévesque (CAQ)	St-Pierre Plamondon (PQ)
Boulet (CAQ)	Ghazal (QS)	(Chapleau)	Tanguay (QLP)
Bussière (CAQ)	Girard (CAQ)	Lévesque (CAQ)	Tardif (CAQ)
Cadet (QLP)	(Groulx)	(Chauveau)	Thouin (CAQ)
Caire (CAQ)	Girard (CAQ)	Maccarone (QLP)	Tremblay (CAQ)
Carmant (CAQ)	(Lac-Saint-Jean)	Mallette (CAQ)	(Dubuc)
Caron (CAQ)	Grandmont (QS)	Marissal (QS)	Tremblay (CAQ)
(Portneuf)	Groncin (CAQ)	Martel (CAQ)	(Hull)
Caron (QLP)	Guilbault (CAQ)	Massé (QS)	Zaga Mendez (QS)
(La Pinière)	Guillemette (CAQ)	McGraw (QLP)	Zanetti (QS)
Champagne Jourdain (CAQ)	Haytayan (CAQ)	Montigny (CAQ)	
Charest (CAQ)	Jacques (CAQ)	Morin (QLP)	
Charette (CAQ)	Jolin-Barrette (CAQ)	Nichols (IND)	