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

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- The Member for Nicolet-Bécancour on the following subject: *Tribute to Ms. Isabelle Bergeron.*
- The Member for Notre-Dame-de-Grâce on the following subject: *Underline Saint Patrick's Day and the extraordinary work of the St. Patrick's Society of Montreal.*
- The Member for Repentigny on the following subject: *The 40th anniversary of the organization Inter-Femmes.*
- The Member for Rosemont on the following subject: *Congratulate Regroupement pour la Trisomie 21 for the 2025 edition of Opération Bas Dépareillés.*
- The Member for Chauveau on the following subject: *The 40th anniversary of Popote et Multi-Services.*
- The Member for Chomedey on the following subject: *Underline National Day of Greece.*
- The Member for Chutes-de-la-Chaudière on the following subject: *The 50th anniversary of Club de ski de fond Sentiers des Grandes Prairies.*
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- The Member for Verchères on the following subject: *Underline the 65th anniversary of the Daughters of Isabelle in Varennes.*
- The Member for Les Plaines on the following subject: *Québec Meals on Wheels Week.*
- The Member for Charlesbourg on the following subject: *The 90th anniversary of Cercle de Fermières Charlesbourg.*
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- (1) Bill 84
An Act respecting national integration
Introduced by the Minister of the French Language on **30 January 2025**
- (2) Bill 89
An Act to give greater consideration to the needs of the population in the event of a strike or a lock-out
Introduced by the Minister of Labour on **20 February 2025**
- (3) Bill 91
Act establishing the Unified Family Tribunal within the Court of Québec
Introduced by the Minister of Justice on **25 February 2025**
- (4) Bill 93*
An Act respecting, in particular, the transfer of ownership of an immovable of Ville de Blainville
Introduced by the Minister of Natural Resources and Forests on **27 February 2025**

* **Recommendation of the Lieutenant-Governor**

Committee Stage

- (5) Bill 69
An Act to ensure the responsible governance of energy resources and to amend various legislative provisions
Introduced by the Minister of Economy, Innovation and Energy on 6 June 2024
Report from the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries, Energy and Natural Resources (consultations) tabled on 24 September 2024
Passed in principle on **3 October 2024**, and
Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries, Energy and Natural Resources
- (6) Bill 81
An Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment
Introduced by the Minister of the Environment, the Fight Against Climate Change, Wildlife and Parks on 20 November 2024
Report from the Committee on Transportation and the Environment (consultations) tabled on 4 February 2025
Passed in principle on **11 February 2025**, and
Referred to the Committee on Transportation and the Environment
- (7) Bill 82
An Act respecting the national digital identity and amending other provisions
Introduced by the Minister of Cybersecurity and Digital Technology on 21 November 2024
Report from the Committee on Public Finance (consultations) tabled on 30 January 2025
Passed in principle on **4 February 2025**, and
Referred to the Committee on Public Finance
- (8) Bill 83
An Act to foster the practice of medicine in the public health and social services network
Introduced by the Minister of Health on 3 December 2024
Report from the Committee on Health and Social Services (consultations) tabled on 12 February 2025
Passed in principle on **18 February 2025**, and
Referred to the Committee on Health and Social Services

- (9) Bill 85
An Act to amend various provisions for the main purpose of reducing regulatory and administrative burden
Introduced by the Minister for the Economy on 4 December 2024
Report from the Committee on Labour and the Economy (consultations) tabled on 13 February 2025
Passed in principle on **18 February 2025**, and
Referred to the Committee on Labour and the Economy
- (10) Bill 86
An Act to ensure the long-term preservation and vitality of agricultural land
Introduced by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on 5 December 2024
Report from the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain (consultations) tabled on 4 February 2025
Passed in principle on **5 February 2025**, and
Referred to the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain

Report Stage

Passage

- (11) 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
Introduced by the Minister of Municipal Affairs on 7 November 2024
Report from the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain (consultations) tabled on 6 December 2024
Passed in principle on 28 January 2025
Report from the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain adopted on **27 February 2025**

II. Private Members' Public Bills

Passage in Principle

- (12) 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**

- (13) 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**
- (14) 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**
- (15) 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**
- (16) 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**
- (17) 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**
- (18) 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**
- (19) 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
Resuming the debate adjourned in the name of the Member for Vimont on **28 March 2024**
- (20) Bill 199
An Act to better protect consumers against abusive credit contracts
Introduced by the Member for Saint-Laurent on **23 February 2023**

- (21) 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**
- (22) 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**
- (23) 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**
- (24) Bill 393
An Act to combat food waste
Introduced by the Member for Verdun on **6 April 2023**
- (25) 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**
- (26) Bill 395
An Act to replace the name of the electoral division of Matane-Matapédia by Matane-Matapédia-Mitis
Introduced by the Member for Matane-Matapédia on **11 April 2024**
- (27) 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**

- (28) 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**
- (29) 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**
- (30) 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**
- (31) 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**
- (32) Bill 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**
- (33) Bill 492
An Act to combat waste
Introduced by the Member for Îles-de-la-Madeleine on **18 April 2023**
- (34) 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**

- (35) 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**
- (36) 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**
- (37) 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**
- (38) Bill 499
An Act to establish a new electoral system
Introduced by the Member for Jean-Lesage on **5 October 2023**
- (39) Bill 591
An Act mainly to reinforce Members' oversight of government action by recognizing their right to visit administrative institutions
Introduced by the Member for Sherbrooke on **21 March 2024**
- (40) 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**
- (41) 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**
- (42) 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**

- (43) Bill 599
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
Introduced by the Member for Maurice-Richard on **20 February 2024**
- (44) 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**
- (45) 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**
- (46) Bill 693
An Act to foster the active contribution to society of recipients under the Social Solidarity Program
Introduced by the Member for Notre-Dame-de-Grâce on **22 February 2024**
- (47) Bill 694
An Act to amend the Highway Safety Code to more effectively fight drinking and driving
Introduced by the Member for Nelligan on **19 March 2024**
- (48) Bill 695
Parliamentary Budget Officer Act
Introduced by the Member for Nelligan on **14 March 2024**
- (49) Bill 697
An Act to combat waste
Introduced by the Member for Îles-de-la-Madeleine on **23 April 2024**
- (50) Bill 699
An Act to amend the Charter of human rights and freedoms to enshrine the right to decent housing
Introduced by the Member for Laurier-Dorion on **4 June 2024**

- (51) Bill 790
An Act to extend to users sheltered in a continuous assistance residence the application of the Regulation respecting the terms governing the use of monitoring mechanisms by a user sheltered in a facility maintained by an institution operating a residential and long-term care centre
Introduced by the Member for D'Arcy-McGee on **22 May 2024**
- (52) Bill 791
An Act to allow public transit authorities to develop real estate projects near or above their public transit infrastructures
Introduced by the Member for Nelligan on **1 May 2024**
- (53) Bill 792
An Act to enhance the presence of the flag of Québec
Introduced by the Member for Matane-Matapédia on **30 May 2024**
- (54) Bill 793
An Act respecting the process for publishing the documents from the inquiry conducted by Bernard Grenier concerning the activities of Option Canada in the referendum held in Québec in October 1995
Introduced by the Member for Matane-Matapédia on **27 November 2024**
- (55) Bill 794
An Act to declare Québec's commitment to achieve net-zero emissions by 2050
Introduced by the Member for Verdun on **7 November 2024**
- (56) Bill 796
An Act to replace the name of the electoral division of Arthabaska by the name "Arthabaska-L'Érable"
Introduced by the Member for Arthabaska on **30 May 2024**
- (57) Bill 892
An Act to prohibit offering supervised consumption services near an educational childcare facility or an educational institution providing preschool-, elementary- or secondary-level education
Introduced by the Member for Saint-Laurent on **27 November 2024**

- (58) Bill 893
An Act respecting maintaining seniors' autonomy
Introduced by the Member for Îles-de-la-Madeleine on **3 December 2024**
- (59) Bill 894
An Act to extend health insurance plan and basic prescription drug insurance plan eligibility to all women or persons who are pregnant and living in Québec regardless of their migratory status
Introduced by the Member for Saint-Henri–Sainte-Anne on **4 December 2024**
- (60) Bill 895
An Act to establish a common school network to guarantee equal opportunities
Introduced by the Member for Mercier on **20 February 2025**
- (61) Bill 896
An Act to indemnify local municipalities when land intended for building or enlarging schools is transferred
Introduced by the Member for Sherbrooke on **13 February 2025**
- Committee Stage*
- (62) 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

- (63) 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

- (64)** 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
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Part 4

PROCEEDINGS IN COMMITTEES

The detailed calendar of the proceedings of each committee is available on the Internet site of the Assembly.

COMMITTEE ON THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Inquiry arising from the motion moved by the Official Opposition House Leader and Member for Nelligan pursuant to Standing Orders 315 to 321 on the failure to table, within the prescribed time, the 2023 annual management report of the Société de l'assurance automobile du Québec

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Orders in compliance with the Standing Orders

- 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

Orders of reference

Consideration of Bills:

- **Bill 69**, An Act to ensure the responsible governance of energy resources and to amend various legislative provisions (Order of reference given on 3 October 2024).

COMMITTEE ON PLANNING AND THE PUBLIC DOMAIN

Orders of reference

Consideration of Bills:

- **Bill 86**, An Act to ensure the long-term preservation and vitality of agricultural land (Order of reference given on 5 February 2025).
- **Bill 201**, An Act respecting Municipalité de Morin-Heights (Order of reference given on 20 April 2023).

COMMITTEE ON CULTURE AND EDUCATION

COMMITTEE ON LABOUR AND THE ECONOMY

Orders of reference

Consideration of Bills:

- **Bill 85**, An Act to amend various provisions for the main purpose of reducing regulatory and administrative burden (Order of reference given on 18 February 2025).

Orders in compliance with the Standing Orders

Interpellation:

- By the Member for Bourassa-Sauvé to the Minister of Employment on the following subject: *Termination of employment: the impact of the CAQ cuts on employability* (notice given on 27 February 2025).

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC FINANCE

Orders of reference

Consideration of Bills:

- **Bill 82**, An Act respecting the national digital identity and amending other provisions (Order of reference given on 4 February 2025).

COMMITTEE ON INSTITUTIONS

Orders of reference

Consideration of Bills:

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

COMMITTEE ON CITIZEN RELATIONS

Orders of reference

Special Consultations:

- **Bill 84**, An Act respecting national integration (Order of reference given on 18 February 2025).

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Orders of reference

Consideration of Bills:

- **Bill 83**, An Act to foster the practice of medicine in the public health and social services network (Order of reference given on 18 February 2025).
- **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).

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Consideration of Bills:

- **Bill 81**, An Act to amend various provisions relating to the environment (Order of reference given on 11 February 2025).

SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE IMPACTS OF SCREENS AND SOCIAL MEDIA ON YOUNG PEOPLE'S HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENT

Special Consultations:

- The Impacts of Screens and Social Media on Young People's Health and Development.

Part 5

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

*Questions already placed on the Order Paper
are published each Wednesday*

(257) Mr. Fortin (Pontiac) – **18 March 2025**
To the Minister of Health

Since its official launch on 1 December 2024, Santé Québec has undertaken a series of streamlining efforts to eliminate a \$1.5 billion deficit in the health system. On 14 February, Radio-Canada revealed that 1,700 jobs had been cut in Québec's health network in just two months. These positions include orderlies, nursing assistants and nurses.

Many caregiver representatives have expressed their concern about the impact of these budget cuts on caregivers and have also pointed out that these cuts directly affect services to the population.

It is crucial to underscore that the Minister of Health has repeatedly stated that the budget cuts should have little or no impact on the population. Such a statement from the Minister must have been based on a thorough examination of the number of medical staff required to ensure the continuous operation of health services.

Can the Minister share with us the exact number of departures that have taken place across the network over the past six months, and their distribution by position, region and institution?

(258) Mr. Fortin (Pontiac) – **18 March 2025**
To the Minister of Health

On 23 February, Radio-Canada reported the alarming news that the Maisonneuve-Rosemont Hospital had temporarily closed many of its emergency room stretchers because of a labour shortage. According to the union, at least 30 of the 54 available stretchers were not accessible.

For many years, the Maisonneuve-Rosemont Hospital has been experiencing ongoing labour difficulties in the emergency room. These problems include a shortage of nurses and nursing staff, which has resulted in stretchers being closed and hospital units that are overwhelmed. These problems have a direct impact on the hospital's ability to meet patient needs, and temporary measures, such as the reorganization of teams, have been required to address the situation.

This ongoing issue is having a major impact on healthcare. Can the Minister share with us the plan that the HR team has developed and implemented over the past year to address this issue and prevent any service disruptions?

(259) Mr. Kelley (Jacques-Cartier) – **18 March 2025**
To the Minister of Natural Resources and Forests

Considering that the U.S. Department of Defense has invested nearly \$12 million in a graphite mine project in Québec, that U.S. technology industries are completely dependent on graphite imports and that the U.S. imports many strategic minerals from Canada, including nickel, niobium, uranium and 70% of its aluminum.

Can the Minister of Natural Resources and Forests specify the Government's position on securing and locally processing these resources, and the measures in place to protect Québec's autonomy against the increasing U.S. interest in these strategic minerals?

(260) Mr. Grandmont (Taschereau) – **18 March 2025**
To the Minister Responsible for Social Services

As is the case elsewhere in Québec, the issue of homelessness in the city of Québec has intensified in the last few years due to complex social, economic and environmental factors. The epicentre of this humanitarian crisis in the city of Québec is in the Saint-Roch district, at the heart of the Taschereau riding.

Several factors contribute to homelessness in the city of Québec, including the shortage of affordable social housing, poverty, and mental health and addiction problems.

In collaboration with community organizations, Ville de Québec has implemented projects to improve the living conditions of homeless people. These projects include temporary housing programs and emergency services for persons living in precarious situations.

On the Québec government level, the Minister Responsible for Social Services has announced a number of new measures in recent years to tackle the rise of homelessness in the city of Québec.

My questions to the Minister are the following:

- 1) Can the Minister provide the list of the public announcements he has made on the issue of homelessness in the city of Québec since the beginning of 2024?
- 2) Can the Minister specify what each announcement represents in terms of new emergency beds for homeless people?

Part 6
NOTICES

I. NOTICES PREVIOUSLY GIVEN

Government Bills

Private Members' Public Bills

- (a) 25 February 2025
An Act to amend the Highway Safety Code to provide for the mandatory issue of notices of payment to owners of registered road vehicles and to holders of certain licences – *Member for Nelligan*

Private Bills

II. NOTICES APPEARING FOR THE FIRST TIME