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

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- The Member for Vanier-Les Rivières on the following subject: *Underline the 45th anniversary of La Boîte à science.*
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- The Member for Joliette on the following subject: *The 5th anniversary of the death of Joyce Echaquan.*
- The Member for Acadie on the following subject: *Underline the 50th anniversary of Abaka.*
- The Member for Huntingdon on the following subject: *Doctor Fabienne Djandji, thank you for everything.*
- The Member for Jean-Talon on the following subject: *Underline the 40th anniversary of Maison Michel Sarrazin.*
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ORDERS OF THE DAY

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- (1) Resuming the debate, adjourned on **1 October 2025** in the name of the Member for Bonaventure, on the motion by the Premier, –That the Assembly approve the Government’s general policy.

And on the motions stating a grievance moved by:

The Leader of the Official Opposition:

THAT the National Assembly denounce the CAQ government for failing to present concrete solutions in its Opening Speech to address the most urgent issues affecting Quebecers, particularly the housing crisis and the cost-of-living crisis.

The Leader of the Second Opposition Group:

THAT the National Assembly censure the CAQ government for its indifference to the priorities of youth, its climate inaction, its budget cuts in public education and its inability to address the housing crisis and the rising cost of living.

The Member for Mille-Îles:

THAT the National Assembly deplore the fact that during its opening speech, the Premier did not make housing a priority in a context where Québec is still in the midst of a housing crisis.

The Member for Saint-Henri–Sainte-Anne:

THAT the National Assembly censure the CAQ government for refusing to address the problems that truly concern Quebecers, such as the housing and homelessness crises, the rising cost of living and the erosion of the social safety net.

The Member for Bourassa-Sauvé:

THAT the National Assembly severely censure the CAQ government for its education cuts, which caused chaos in the network and deprived students of essential learning services and cultural and sports activities.

The Member for Sainte-Marie–Saint-Jacques:

THAT the National Assembly severely censure the CAQ government for denying the right to self-determination of our Anishinabeg, Atikamekw, W8banaki, Naskapis, Wendat, Eeyou, Innu, Kanien'keha:ka, Mi'gmaq, Wolastoqiyik and Inuit brothers and sisters by refusing to adopt legislation on the application of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples before the end of the current term.

URGENT DEBATES

DEBATES ON REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

OTHER BUSINESS

I. Government Bills

Passage in Principle

- (2) Bill 103
An Act mainly to regulate supervised consumption sites in order to promote their harmonious cohabitation with the community
Introduced by the Minister Responsible for Social Services on 6 May 2025
Report from the Committee on Health and Social Services (consultations) tabled on **5 June 2025**

- (3) Bill 104
An Act to amend various provisions in particular to follow up on certain requests from the municipal sector
Introduced by the Minister of Municipal Affairs on **21 May 2025**

- (4) Bill 108
An Act to amend the Act respecting the Société de développement des entreprises culturelles to modernize the Société's financial service offer and to recognize the digital creativity industry
Introduced by the Minister of Culture and Communications on **28 May 2025**
- (5) Bill 109
An Act to affirm the cultural sovereignty of Québec and to enact the Act respecting the discoverability of French-language cultural content in the digital environment
Introduced by the Minister of Culture and Communications on **21 May 2025**
- (6) Bill 111
An Act to modernize the Cooperatives Act and to amend other provisions
Introduced by the Minister for the Economy on **6 June 2025**
- (7) Bill 112
An Act to facilitate the trade of goods and the mobility of labour from the other provinces and the territories of Canada
Introduced by the Minister for the Economy on **30 May 2025**

Committee Stage

- (8) Bill 94
An Act to, in particular, reinforce laicity in the education network and to amend various legislative provisions
Introduced by the Minister of Education on 20 March 2025
Report from the Committee on Culture and Education (consultations) tabled on 29 April 2025
Passed in principle on **27 May 2025**, and
Referred to the Committee on Culture and Education
- (9) Bill 101
An Act to improve certain labour laws
Introduced by the Minister of Labour on 24 April 2025
Report from the Committee on Labour and the Economy (consultations) tabled on 4 June 2025
Passed in principle on **5 June 2025**, and
Referred to the Committee on Labour and the Economy

- (10) Bill 106
An Act mainly to establish the collective responsibility and the accountability of physicians with respect to improvement of access to medical services
Introduced by the Minister of Health on 8 May 2025
Report from the Committee on Health and Social Services (consultations) tabled on 30 May 2025
Passed in principle on **3 June 2025**, and
Referred to the Committee on Health and Social Services

Report Stage

- (11) 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
Report from the Committee on Public Finance tabled on 5 June 2025
Resuming the debate adjourned in the name of the Member for La Pinière on **6 June 2025**
- (12) Bill 99
An Act to give effect to fiscal measures announced in the Update on Québec's Economic and Financial Situation presented on 21 November 2024 and in the Budget Speech delivered on 25 March 2025 and to certain other measures
Introduced by the Minister of Finance on 8 May 2025
Passed in principle on 21 May 2025
Report from the Committee on Public Finance tabled on **6 June 2025**

Passage

II. Private Members' Public Bills

Passage in Principle

- (13) 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**

- (14) 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**
- (15) 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**
- (16) 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**
- (17) 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**
- (18) 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**
- (19) 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**
- (20) 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**

- (21) 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**
- (22) 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**
- (23) 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**
- (24) 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**
- (25) 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**
- (26) 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**
- (27) 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**

- (28) 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**
- (29) 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**
- (30) 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**
- (31) 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**
- (32) 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**
- (33) 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**
- (34) Bill 695
Parliamentary Budget Officer Act
Introduced by the Member for Nelligan on **14 March 2024**
- (35) Bill 697
An Act to combat waste
Introduced by the Member for Îles-de-la-Madeleine on **23 April 2024**

- (36) 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**
- (37) 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**
- (38) Bill 792
An Act to enhance the presence of the flag of Québec
Introduced by the Member for Matane-Matapédia on **30 May 2024**
- (39) 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**
- (40) 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**
- (41) Bill 893
An Act respecting maintaining seniors' autonomy
Introduced by the Member for Îles-de-la-Madeleine on **3 December 2024**
- (42) 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**
- (43) Bill 895
An Act to establish a common school network to guarantee equal opportunities
Introduced by the Member for Mercier on **20 February 2025**

- (44) 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**
- (45) Bill 897
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
Introduced by the Member for Nelligan on **19 March 2025**
- (46) Bill 898
An Act to reinforce the regulation of rent increases for a lease of a dwelling
Introduced by the Member for Laurier-Dorion on **3 April 2025**
- (47) Bill 899
An Act to amend the Highway Safety Code to require the Société de l'assurance automobile du Québec to enter into agreements with government departments or bodies for the application of certain Acts
Introduced by the Member for Nelligan on **3 April 2025**
- (48) Bill 990
An Act to amend the Act respecting labour standards in order to regulate telework
Introduced by the Member for Hochelaga-Maisonneuve on **1 May 2025**
- (49) Bill 991
An Act respecting the procedure for selecting, appointing and reappointing independent administrative decision-makers
Introduced by the Member for Acadie on **27 May 2025**
- (50) Bill 992
An Act to create a committee responsible for making recommendations concerning the criteria for the fixing or adjustment of rent
Introduced by the Member for Mille-Îles on **24 April 2025**
- (51) Bill 993
An Act to amend the Labour Code to ensure transparent and democratic union practices
Introduced by the Member for Saint-Jérôme on **30 April 2025**

(52) Bill 994
An Act to foster sexual and reproductive health through improved access to contraception
Introduced by the Member for Mercier on **7 May 2025**

(53) Bill 995
An Act to establish a framework for monitoring and regulating forever chemicals
Introduced by the Member for Mille-Îles on **22 May 2025**

Committee Stage

(54) 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

(55) Bill 220
An Act respecting Joseph Paul-Émile Daniel Michel Marcil
Introduced by the Member for Camille-Laurin on **20 May 2025**

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)

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

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES, ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

COMMITTEE ON PLANNING AND THE PUBLIC DOMAIN

Orders of reference

Special Consultations:

- **Bill 104**, An Act to amend various provisions in particular to follow up on certain requests from the municipal sector (Order of reference given on 1 October 2025).

COMMITTEE ON CULTURE AND EDUCATION

Orders of reference

Consideration of Bills:

- **Bill 94**, An Act to, in particular, reinforce laicity in the education network and to amend various legislative provisions (Order of reference given on 1 October 2025).

COMMITTEE ON LABOUR AND THE ECONOMY

Orders of reference

Consideration of Bills:

- **Bill 101**, An Act to improve certain labour laws (Order of reference given on 1 October 2025).

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC FINANCE

Orders of reference

Special Consultations:

- **Bill 112**, An Act to facilitate the trade of goods and the mobility of labour from the other provinces and the territories of Canada (Order of reference given on 1 October 2025).

COMMITTEE ON INSTITUTIONS

Orders of reference

Consideration of Bills:

- **Bill 220**, An Act respecting Joseph Paul-Émile Daniel Michel Marcil (Order of reference given on 1 October 2025).

COMMITTEE ON CITIZEN RELATIONS

Orders of reference

General Consultation:

- Consultation document entitled “Planning of Immigration to Québec for the 2026-2029 Period” (Order of reference given 1 October 2025).

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Orders of reference

Consideration of Bills:

- **Bill 106**, An Act mainly to establish the collective responsibility and the accountability of physicians with respect to improvement of access to medical services (Order of reference given on 1 October 2025).
- **Bill 194**, An Act to establish a presumption of consent to organ or tissue donation after death (Order of reference given on 1 October 2025).

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Part 5

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

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

- (28) Ms. Cadet (Bourassa-Sauvé) – **2 October 2025**
To the Minister of Labour

According to industry forecasts, Québec will need approximately 16,000 new workers per year between now and 2029 to meet construction needs, in particular for qualified labour. However, the main obstacle contractors face is difficulty in recruiting qualified workers.

Currently, 70% of new workers enter the industry without prior training, a situation which poses considerable challenges in terms of productivity and workforce retention. Furthermore, nearly 40% of these workers leave the industry after five years, which further exacerbates the existing shortage.

Can the Minister specify what concrete measures he intends to implement, in collaboration with industry partners, to ensure that Québec has the qualified workforce needed to support the development of this vital sector of our economy?

- (29) Ms. Cadet (Bourassa-Sauvé) – **2 October 2025**
To the Minister of Labour

The *Act respecting industrial accidents and occupational diseases* distinguishes between sudden accidents and diseases that develop gradually. In practice, however, CNESST forms are often too technical and poorly adapted to this distinction. Cases of injuries resulting from repetitive movements are frequently classified as “accident” rather than “occupational disease”, due to the lack of appropriate tools to properly document the risks.

This misclassification leads to diagnostic errors, deprives some workers of the full protection to which they would otherwise be entitled, and undermines prevention efforts. Several stakeholders also point out that the complexity of the forms prevents workers from accessing them in a simple and understandable way.

Can the Minister of Labour tell us what measures his government intends to implement to simplify and adapt CNESST forms so that they accurately reflect the realities of workplaces and enable workers to assert their rights fairly and effectively?

- (30) Mr. Ciccone (Marquette) – **2 October 2025**
To the Minister of Health

A Radio-Canada article, published on 27 August 2025, revealed that caffeine pouches are very popular on social media, in particular with young people, and that they can even be sold to minors. However, these products, which look similar to nicotine pouches, can contain up to 200 milligrams of caffeine per pouch, the equivalent of two cups of coffee, and are absorbed very quickly by the body.

Pediatricians, including Dr. Nicholas Chadi at the CHU Sainte-Justine, warn of risks to teenagers: heart palpitations, overdose, addiction, sleep problems, and effects on teeth and gum health. Experts believe that daily consumption of multiple pouches could well exceed the recommended safe limits for young people.

Health Canada has stated that it is investigating whether these products comply with federal regulations, but the situation remains concerning with regard to public health and the protection of minors.

Can the Minister of Health tell us what actions his department intends to take, in collaboration with Health Canada and Québec public health authorities, to regulate the sale and consumption of caffeine pouches, in particular to protect minors from the risks of abuse, addiction and medical complications?

- (31) Mr. Ciccone (Marquette) – **2 October 2025**
To the Minister of Health

A *Journal de Montréal* article entitled “Interdiction des saveurs de vapotage : le marché illégal gagne du terrain, selon un sondage”, published on 10 July 2025, revealed that, according to a Léger poll conducted in April 2025, 76% of Québec vapers have purchased at least one flavoured vaping product that is banned in Québec. This is an increase of 8 percentage points compared to fall 2024. The data also shows that more than half of these purchases are made in specialized shops and that 14 of the 15 establishments visited by the industry still sell these illegal products.

Québec will soon celebrate the second anniversary of its ban on vaping flavours, but it is clear that these products can still be easily obtained and that the black market is growing rapidly. In June 2024, only 42 warnings had been issued, and 45 statements of offence were being processed. Experts have denounced the Government for its lack of willingness to enforce the regulations and are concerned about the public health impacts.

Given that sales of banned flavoured vaping products are rising sharply in Québec, that these products can still be easily obtained in stores, and that the number of interventions and penalties is low, can the Minister tell us what specific and additional measures his department intends to implement to ensure compliance with the current regulations and fight the trivialization of these products and their growth in the black market? Lastly, can he tell us whether he intends to adopt a new oversight or regulatory model to better protect public health?

- (32) Mr. Ciccone (Marquette) – **2 October 2025**
To the Minister Responsible for Sports, Recreation and the Outdoors

On 5 May 2022, the Comité québécois sur le développement du hockey tabled nine recommendations to ensure the future of our national sport and to maintain access to local infrastructure. Three years later, according to a Radio-Canada report published on 8 September 2025, certain outdoor skating rinks in Trois-Rivières are likely to remain closed for the winter due to a labour shortage and the increasing effects of climate change on maintenance.

Even worse, the advisory citizen committee Animer et soutenir la communauté recommended closing two skating rinks, a decision that is disappointing for many citizens, who recall that skating rinks are more than just icy surfaces: they are gathering places, serve as an introduction to sports, and promote social cohesion and healthy living habits.

In this context, it would be difficult not to notice the discrepancy between the recommendations made three years ago by the Comité québécois sur le développement du hockey and the current situation in our neighbourhoods. Outdoor rinks are one of the first places where the youth engage in hockey and physical activity. Closing such spaces not only weakens our social fabric, but also jeopardizes the sports mission that the Government claims to encourage.

Can the Minister Responsible for Sports, Recreation and the Outdoors explain how her government intends to concretely assist municipalities like Trois-Rivières in tackling increasing challenges caused by a lack of resources and climate change in order to ensure that the recommendations of the Comité québécois sur le développement du hockey are heard and that access to local sports, in particular hockey, is no longer in jeopardy in Québec?

(33) Mr. Ciccone (Marquette) – **2 October 2025**

To the Minister Responsible for Sports, Recreation and the Outdoors

A survey conducted among 857 paediatric specialists as part of the Canadian Paediatric Surveillance Program by the Canadian Paediatric Society reveals that nearly 17% of them have treated adolescents who experienced health complications after consuming supplements or substances intended to enhance athletic performance. Children as young as 10 to 12 years old are affected, and more than half of the cases involve boys aged 13 to 15. These products, which are easily accessible online, at grocery stores or pharmacies, can have serious harmful effects, particularly on the kidneys and gastrointestinal health.

However, more than half of the paediatricians surveyed say they do not screen for these substances, and a sizable proportion admit they do not know enough about the associated risks. Researchers believe it is urgent to equip physicians, parents, and youth with the tools needed to prevent serious health problems.

Can the Minister tell us whether she has taken note of the concerning data revealed by Radio-Canada on 27 August 2025, and what measures her government has implemented to raise awareness among young athletes and their parents? More importantly, can she confirm whether she has reached out to her colleague, the Minister of Health, to ensure a coordinated and immediate response to regulate the over-the-counter sale of these substances and prevent further cases of medical complications among our adolescents?

- (34) Ms. Lakhoyan Olivier (Chomedey) – **2 October 2025**
To the Minister of Tourism

For several months now, waves of threats, extortion, shootings and arson have been targeting well-known bars and restaurants in Montréal, particularly in tourist areas such as Vieux-Montréal and downtown. The Union des tenanciers de bars du Québec has denounced this escalation of violence that is weakening the industry and contributing to a climate of insecurity for both local patrons and visitors.

These events are damaging Montréal's reputation as a vibrant and welcoming metropolis and could undermine its appeal as a tourist destination, at a moment when the industry is banking on recovery and growth.

Can the Minister of Tourism clarify what actions her government intends to take, in collaboration with the relevant authorities, to support the affected establishments and to ensure that Montréal remains a safe and attractive tourist destination?

- (35) Ms. Lakhoyan Olivier (Chomedey) – **2 October 2025**
To the Minister of Tourism

Following an access to information request regarding purchases made by the Ministère du Tourisme on the Amazon platform, we learned that the disclosure of this information could undermine national security.

Yet similar requests submitted to other departments and public organizations resulted in complete responses, without such a justification being invoked. The therefore situation raises concerns about the specific nature of the purchases made by the Ministère du Tourisme.

Can the Minister clarify what types of purchases made on Amazon by her department are considered to be linked to national security and, as such, justify a refusal to disclose?

(36) Ms. McGraw (Notre-Dame-de-Grâce) – **2 October 2025**

To the Minister of the Environment, the Fight Against Climate Change, Wildlife and Parks

Experts are sounding the alarm about accelerated climate change and its direct consequences for Québec, including the growing number of extreme weather events and a considerable increase in insurance costs for municipalities, households and businesses. Even the Premier’s own special advisor on climate change has publicly acknowledged the gravity of the crisis and the urgent need for action.

Québec is known worldwide as a leader in the fight against climate change and has made clear commitments under the Paris Agreement. However, the United Nations Secretary-General himself recently warned that we are dangerously deviating from the path required to meet the global targets. In this context, the Government’s intention to go back on its own greenhouse gas reduction targets is particularly concerning.

Can the Minister of the Environment, the Fight Against Climate Change, Wildlife and Parks explain how he justifies backtracking on climate targets when science, experts and the international community are calling for urgent action, and can he specify how his government intends to ensure that Québec stays true to its reputation as a leader in the fight against climate change?

(37) Mr. Tanguay (LaFontaine) – **2 October 2025**

To the Minister Responsible for the Abitibi-Témiscamingue

In an article published by *Le Devoir* on 20 September 2025, it was reported that three freshly graduated mental health specialized nurse practitioners (SNP) in Abitibi-Témiscamingue were denied positions in their region, following new “targets” set by Santé-Québec.

Yet these SNPs had completed their training with the goal of addressing glaring mental health needs, particularly in child psychiatry, where waitlists are long and where youth in La Sarre had already been informed they could finally receive specialized follow-up. Many of these patients suffer from anxiety, ADHD, or an autism spectrum disorder, and the arrival of an SNP would have been a turning point in their care.

Furthermore, these SNPs had received \$60,000 in government scholarships, on condition that they commit to a minimum of 6,000 hours of service in the public system. With no positions available, they now fear they may be forced to reimburse this amount, even though they are ready to serve in their home community. The situation is all the more incoherent given that the Government claims to want to reinforce primary care services and focus on prevention.

My questions to the Minister Responsible for the Abitibi-Témiscamingue Region are the following:

How does the Minister justify that, despite the government's policy directions in favour of improved access to primary care services, three mental health SNPs trained in his region are now being denied positions?

How many mental health SNP positions have been allocated to the Abitibi-Témiscamingue region for the current year, under Santé Québec's new targets?

What measures does he intend to implement to allow SNPs trained in the Abitibi-Témiscamingue region to work there and to meet local needs, instead of forcing them to relocate to other regions?

What directives will his government issue regarding the reimbursement of the \$60,000 scholarships by SNP graduates who, due to the lack of available positions in their region, are unable to fulfil their service commitment?

(38) Mr. Kelley (Jacques-Cartier) – **2 October 2025**
To the Minister of Natural Resources and Forests

Considering that the *Act to amend the Mining Act and other provisions* (2024, chapter 36) introduces new obligations for holders of exclusive exploration rights, even though many measures have yet to come into force due to the lack of regulations respecting the application;

Considering that many stakeholders in the mining sector, including the Association minière du Québec and elected municipal officials, have expressed concerns about the uncertainty, delays and increasing complexity of the regulatory framework;

Can the Minister tell us whether analyses have been carried out to assess the impacts of this reform on mining investments in Québec?

- (39) Mr. Kelley (Jacques-Cartier) – **2 October 2025**
To the Minister of Natural Resources and Forests

Considering that access to energy constitutes an obstacle to the development of several mining projects, particularly in Nord-du-Québec and Abitibi-Témiscamingue, and that the electrification of mining operations is essential to reducing emissions in the sector;

Can the Minister tell us whether any mining projects were slowed down or blocked in 2024–2025 due to insufficient access to energy, and what actions have been taken to support the electrification of mining activities in the affected regions?

- (40) Mr. Kelley (Jacques-Cartier) – **2 October 2025**
To the Minister of Natural Resources and Forests

Considering that Québec adopted in 2020 a strategy on critical and strategic minerals to capitalize on the global energy transition;

Considering that this strategy must be updated regularly, particularly in light of international agreements and the needs of industrial sectors;

Considering that several lithium and graphite projects are under development in Québec;

Can the Minister clarify the following:

The number of projects related to critical and strategic minerals that are currently in the exploration or production phase;

The public investments allocated to these projects since 2020;

The expected date for the tabling of an updated strategy on critical and strategic minerals?

- (41) Mr. Kelley (Jacques-Cartier) – **2 October 2025**
To the Minister of Natural Resources and Forests

Considering that the Premier, in a statement made in Germany, acknowledged the urgent need for action to seize opportunities offered by the mining sector by committing to shorten delays and reduce bureaucracy;

Considering that the Government is stepping up its public announcements and international agreements, promoting Québec's mining potential abroad, while on the ground, mining companies are facing increasing administrative burdens, repeated land withdrawals and increasingly complex regulatory restrictions;

Considering that, according to the most recent data, 45.7% of Québec territory is now either inaccessible to mineral exploration (38.3%) or heavily restricted (7.4%), representing an area larger than that of Alberta or Saskatchewan;

Can the Minister explain how he reconciles the international promotion of Québec's mining potential with the growing regulatory restrictions on the ground, and specify the concrete commitments he intends to make to:

Reduce delays in granting authorizations in the mining sector;
Put an end to systematic and recurring land withdrawals;
Harmonize administrative processes across the various departments concerned;
Set maximum time limits for processing applications to ensure the necessary predictability for investors?

(42) Mr. Kelley (Jacques-Cartier) – **2 October 2025**
To the Minister of Natural Resources and Forests

Considering that mining development involves multiple departments and bodies, including the environment, municipal affairs and energy;

Considering that this multiplicity of stakeholders creates an administrative burden that undermines the predictability of projects;

Considering that foreign investors demand better coordination among government agencies;

Can the Minister tell us:

What concrete measures are currently in place to coordinate processes between the various departments concerned;
What is the planned timeline for the implementation of this harmonization?

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