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Votes and Proceedings

of the Assembly

Friday, 5 December 2025 — No. 26

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

The Assembly was called to order at 9:40 a.m.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

Statements by Members

Ms. Rouleau (Pointe-aux-Trembles) made a statement to underline International Volunteer Day.

Ms. Caron (La Pinière) made a statement to underline the work of partners and volunteers of La Grande Guignolée des médias de la Rive-Sud.

Ms. Boivin Roy (Anjou–Louis-Riel) made a statement to underline the 12 Days of Action to End Violence Against Women.

Mr. Cliche-Rivard (Saint-Henri–Sainte-Anne) made a statement to underline the 10th anniversary of La Lutinerie and its Christmas Village.

Ms. Abou-Khalil (Fabre) made a statement to underline International Volunteer Day.

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Ms. Setlakwe (Mont-Royal–Outremont) made a statement to pay tribute to Mr. Brian G. Smith.

Mr. Girard (Groulx) made a statement to underline the work of the organization Le Mitan.

Ms. Haytayan (Laval-des-Rapides) made a statement to underline the work of the Centre de qualification professionnelle et d'entrepreneuriat de Laval.

Ms. Hébert (Saint-François) made a statement to underline the success of the race Unis pour la cause in Waterville and to pay tribute to its organizers.

Ms. Gendron (Châteauguay) made a statement to applaud the social integration project Le Tri-cycle.

Ms. Champagne Jourdain (Duplessis) made a statement to pay tribute to Ms. Charlotte Bellefleur.

By leave of the Assembly to set aside Standing Order 54.1, Mr. Chassin (Saint-Jérôme) made a statement to congratulate Ms. Patricia Tremblay, future Director General of the Cégep de Saint-Jérôme, and to pay tribute to Ms. Nadine Le Gal, outgoing Director General.

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At 9:54 a.m., Mr. Benjamin, Third Vice-President, suspended the proceedings for a few minutes.

The proceedings resumed at 10:05 a.m.

Moment of reflection

The President tabled the following:

A letter, dated 4 December 2025, she had received from Mr. Marc Tanguay, Chief Whip of the Official Opposition, informing her that Ms. Sona Lakhoyan Olivier, Member for Chomedey, is no longer a member of the Official Opposition Caucus.
(Sessional Paper No. 424-20251205)

Introduction of Bills

Mr. Roberge, Minister Responsible for Democratic Institutions, moved that leave be granted to introduce the following bill:

- 14 An Act to strengthen the integrity of voting in political parties' leadership campaigns and nomination contests

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

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The motion was carried on the following vote:

(Division No. **85** in Appendix)

Yeas: **90** Nays: **0** Abstentions: **0**

Accordingly, Bill 14 was introduced in the Assembly.

Presenting Papers

Mr. Dubé, Minister of Health, tabled the following:

The 2020–2025 report on the implementation of the *Tobacco Control Act*.
(Sessional Paper No. 425-20251205)

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

The reply to a written question from Ms. Nichols (Vaudreuil) on electronic voting pilot projects – Question No. 68, *Order Paper and Notices* of 11 November 2025.
(Sessional Paper No. 426-20251205)

Presenting Reports from Committees

Mr. Laframboise (Blainville), Committee Chair, tabled the following:

The report from the Committee on Public Finance, which met on 4 December 2025 for clause-by-clause consideration of Bill 6, An Act to give effect to fiscal measures announced in the Budget Speech delivered on 25 March 2025 and to certain other measures. The report contains amendments to the bill.
(Sessional Paper No. 427-20251205)

Oral Questions and Answers

The Assembly proceeded to Oral Question Period.

At the request of the President, Mr. Grandmont (Taschereau) withdrew certain words deemed unparliamentary.

Motions Without Notice

Ms. Gentilcore (Terrebonne), together with Mr. Derraji (Nelligan), Mr. Bouazzi (Maurice-Richard), Mr. Dufour (Abitibi-Est), Ms. Blanchette Vézina (Rimouski), Ms. Poulet (Laporte) and Ms. Rizqy (Saint-Laurent), moved a motion on the availability and allocation of energy blocks; this motion could not be debated for want of unanimous consent.

By leave of the Assembly to set aside Standing Order 185, Mr. Allaire (Maskinongé), together with Ms. Cadet (Bourassa-Sauvé), Mr. Zanetti (Jean-Lesage), Ms. Gentilcore (Terrebonne) and Mr. Chassin (Saint-Jérôme), moved:

THAT the National Assembly pay tribute to Jean-François Blais, a visionary creator and producer who had a profound impact on the Québec television scene;

THAT it underline his exceptional contribution to our culture through the production of shows such as *La Voix*, *En direct de l'univers*, *Belle et Bum*, as well as award galas such as the Prix Gémeaux, the ADISQ gala, and *Les Olivier*;

THAT it applaud his talent as a playwright with “*Yvon raconte la shop*”, in collaboration with Yvon Deschamps, and his commitment to the development of stage and television productions as part of SISMYK, the music division of ComediHa!;

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THAT it underline his deep attachment to his region, the RCM of Maskinongé, where he contributes to community life and the educational success of youth;

THAT it recognize Jean-François Blais as a model of creativity, excellence and staying true to one's roots, and whose career inspires all of Québec.

By leave of the Assembly, the motion was carried.

By leave of the Assembly to set aside Standing Order 185, Ms. Garceau (Robert-Baldwin), together with Ms. Proulx, Minister Responsible for the Status of Women, Ms. Massé (Sainte-Marie–Saint-Jacques), Ms. Gentilcore (Terrebonne), Mr. Chassin (Saint-Jérôme), Mr. Dufour (Abitibi-Est), Mr. Carmant (Taillon), Ms. Blanchette Vézina (Rimouski), Ms. Poulet (Laporte) and Ms. Rizqy (Saint-Laurent), moved:

THAT the National Assembly mark the 36th anniversary of the Polytechnique tragedy of 6 December 1989;

THAT it pay tribute to the 14 young women assassinated during this anti-feminist act, and that it also remember the many people who were injured or deeply affected by this violence;

THAT it applaud the PolySeSouvient collective's unwavering commitment to honouring the memory of the 14 victims of the Polytechnique massacre and its campaign for a total ban on the private possession of assault weapons in Canada;

THAT it reaffirm that gender equality and respect between women and men are fundamental values of Québec society;

THAT it express its deep concern about the recent increase in violence of all forms, including the increase in femicides, armed violence among young people, and the worrying rise in misogynistic and hateful speech toward women;

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THAT it reiterate the importance of reinforcing prevention, education, raising awareness, and protection measures to ensure that all women can lead safe lives, free of violence;

THAT it recall the importance of the 12 Days of Action to End Violence Against Women, an initiative encouraging reporting of such violence and the promotion of action to prevent all forms of this violence;

THAT it ask all of the political parties to unite in honouring the memory of the 14 victims, supporting their families, and reaffirming the absolute priority that is the safety of women in Québec;

THAT, lastly, the Members of the National Assembly observe a minute of silence in their memory.

By leave of the Assembly, a debate arose thereon.

The debate being concluded, the motion was carried.

At the request of Mr. Benjamin, Third Vice-President, the Assembly observed a minute of silence.

Ms. Massé (Sainte-Marie–Saint-Jacques), together with Mr. Tanguay (LaFontaine), Mr. Arseneau (Îles-de-la-Madeleine), Mr. Chassin (Saint-Jérôme) and Ms. Rizqy (Saint-Laurent), moved a motion on the fight against HIV; this motion could not be debated for want of unanimous consent.

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Notices of Proceedings in Committees

Ms. LeBel, Deputy Government House Leader, convened the following committees:

- the Committee on Public Finance, to undertake clause-by-clause consideration of Bill 7, An Act to reduce bureaucracy, increase state efficiency and reinforce the accountability of senior public servants;
- the Committee on Institutions, to continue its public hearings within the framework of a general consultation on Bill 1, Québec Constitution Act, 2025;
- the Committee on Culture and Education, to continue its clause-by-clause consideration of 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.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Statutory Debates

Pursuant to section 28 of the *Election Act*, the Assembly entered upon the debate on the report from the Commission de la représentation électorale on the electoral boundaries of Québec, tabled on 2 December 2025.

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Mr. Benjamin, Third Vice-President, informed the Assembly of the allocation of speaking time for the proceedings with respect to this limited debate: 2 hours 5 minutes to the parliamentary group forming the Government; 1 hour 7 minutes 9 seconds to the parliamentary group forming the Official Opposition; 42 minutes 9 seconds to the Second Opposition Group; 25 minutes 43 seconds to the Third Opposition Group; and 5 minutes to each independent Member. Within this framework, any time not used by the independent Members or by a parliamentary group shall be redistributed among the parliamentary groups in the proportions established above. Lastly, individual addresses shall not be limited.

A debate arose thereon.

The debate was adjourned in the name of Mr. Reid (Beauharnois).

At 1:00 p.m., Mr. Benjamin, Third Vice-President, adjourned the Assembly until Tuesday, 9 December 2025 at 1:40 p.m.

NATHALIE ROY

President

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APPENDIX

Electronic Divisions

On the motion moved by Mr. Roberge, Minister Responsible for Democratic Institutions, that leave be granted to introduce Bill 14, An Act to strengthen the integrity of voting in political parties' leadership campaigns and nomination contests:

(Division No. 85)

YEAS - 90

Abou-Khalil (CAQ)	Champagne Jourdain (CAQ)	Grandmont (QS)	Montigny (CAQ)
Allaire (CAQ)	Charest (CAQ)	Grondin (CAQ)	Morin (QLP)
Arseneau (PQ)	Charette (CAQ)	Guilbault (CAQ)	Picard (CAQ)
Asselin (CAQ)	Chassin (IND)	Guillemette (CAQ)	Poulin (CAQ)
Bachand (CAQ)	Cicccone (QLP)	Haytayan (CAQ)	Prass (QLP)
Beauchemin (QLP)	Cliche-Rivard (QS)	Hébert (CAQ)	Proulx (CAQ)
Bélanger (CAQ) (Orford)	Derraji (QLP)	Jacques (CAQ)	Reid (CAQ)
Bélanger (CAQ) (Prévost)	Déry (CAQ)	Jeannotte (CAQ)	Roberge (CAQ)
Bernard (CAQ)	Dionne (CAQ)	Jolin-Barrette (CAQ)	Rotiroti (QLP)
Bérubé (PQ)	Dorismond (CAQ)	Julien (CAQ)	Rouleau (CAQ)
Biron (CAQ)	Drainville (CAQ)	Lachance (CAQ)	Sainte-Croix (CAQ)
Blais (CAQ)	Dubé (CAQ)	Lacombe (CAQ)	Schneeberger (CAQ)
Bogemans (CAQ)	Dufour (IND)	Laframboise (CAQ)	Setlakwe (QLP)
Boivin Roy (CAQ)	(Abitibi-Est)	Lafrenière (CAQ)	Simard (CAQ)
Bonnardel (CAQ)	Dufour (QLP)	LeBel (CAQ)	Skeete (CAQ)
Boulet (CAQ)	(Mille-Îles)	Lecours (CAQ)	St-Louis (CAQ)
Bourassa (CAQ)	Duranceau (CAQ)	(Les Plaines)	Tanguay (QLP)
Bussière (CAQ)	Émond (CAQ)	Lecours (CAQ)	Tardif (CAQ)
Cadet (QLP)	Fontecilla (QS)	(Lotbinière-Frontenac)	Tremblay (CAQ) (Hull)
Caire (CAQ)	Fréchette (CAQ)	Leduc (QS)	Zaga Mendez (QS)
Caron (CAQ) (Portneuf)	Garceau (QLP)	Lemay (CAQ)	Zanetti (QS)
Caron (QLP) (La Pinière)	Gendron (CAQ)	Lemieux (CAQ)	
	Gentilcore (PQ)	Maccarone (QLP)	
	Girard (CAQ)	Mallette (CAQ)	
	(Lac-Saint-Jean)	Massé (QS)	
	Girard (CAQ)	McGraw (QLP)	
	(Groulx)		