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# **NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF QUÉBEC**

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SECOND SESSION

FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

## **Votes and Proceedings**

**of the Assembly**

**Tuesday, 3 February 2026 — No. 31**

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

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

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### **ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS**

#### **Statements by Members**

Mr. Lemieux (Saint-Jean) made a statement to underline the creation of a shelter for people experiencing homelessness in Saint-Jean-sur-Richelieu.

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Mr. Morin (Acadie) made a statement to underline the 100th anniversary of École François-de-Laval.

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Ms. Dorismond (Marie-Victorin) made a statement to invite citizens to use the Heart & Stroke Risk Screen tool.

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Mr. Fontecilla (Laurier-Dorion) made a statement to pay tribute to Mr. Denis Gendron.

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Ms. Dionne (Rivière-du-Loup–Témiscouata) made a statement to underline the 10th anniversary of Alliance de l'industrie touristique du Québec.

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Ms. Maccarone (Westmount–Saint-Louis) made a statement to ask that a summit on violence be held.

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Mr. St-Louis (Joliette) made a statement to pay tribute to the organizations of Joliette.

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Ms. Tremblay (Hull) made a statement to underline the 25th anniversary of Table Éducation Outaouais.

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Ms. Mallette (Huntingdon) made a statement to pay tribute to Mr. Philippe Besombes.

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Mr. Lévesque (Chapleau) made a statement to underline the 25th anniversary of the Gatineau Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps.

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Mr. Jacques (Mégantic) made a statement to underline the 80th anniversary of the Lac-Mégantic Royal Canadian Legion.

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At 1:53 p.m., Ms. Soucy, First Vice-President, suspended the proceedings for a few minutes.

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The proceedings resumed at 2:09 p.m.

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At the request of the President, the Assembly observed a minute of silence in memory of Mr. Jacques Tremblay, former Member for Iberville.

The President tabled the following:

A letter, dated 18 December 2025, she had received from Mr. Christian Dubé, Member for La Prairie, informing the President of his decision to sit as an independent Member;

(Sessional Paper No. 458-20260203)

A letter, dated 19 December 2025, she had received from Mr. Marc Tanguay, Member for LaFontaine, informing her of his designation as Leader of the Official Opposition;

(Sessional Paper No. 459-20260203)

A letter, dated 22 December 2025, she had received from Mr. Marc Tanguay, Leader of the Official Opposition, informing her of the appointment of Mr. Monsef Derraji, Member for Nelligan, as Official Opposition House Leader, and of Ms. Filomena Rotiroti, Member for Jeanne-Mance-Viger, as Chief Whip of the Official Opposition;

(Sessional Paper No. 460-20260203)

A letter, dated 9 January 2026, she had received from Mr. François Jacques, Chief Government Whip, informing her that Mr. François Tremblay, Member for Dubuc, is no longer a member of the Government Caucus;

(Sessional Paper No. 461-20260203)

A letter, dated 13 January 2026, she had received from Mr. Marc Tanguay, Leader of the Official Opposition, informing her that Mr. Frédéric Beauchemin, Member for Marguerite-Bourgeoys, no longer holds the position of Deputy House Leader of the Official Opposition.

(Sessional Paper No. 462-20260203)

## Presenting Papers

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

The Government's reply to a petition tabled on 5 November 2025 by Mr. Cliche-Rivard (Saint-Henri–Sainte-Anne) on improving access to family reunification;

(Sessional Paper No. 463-20260203)

The Government's reply to a petition tabled on 6 November 2025 by Ms. Dufour (Mille-Îles) on a request to establish an oversight and control framework for forever chemicals;

(Sessional Paper No. 464-20260203)

The Government's reply to a petition tabled on 26 November 2025 by Mr. St-Pierre Plamondon (Camille-Laurin) on implementing measures to address the risks associated with drug use among youth;

(Sessional Paper No. 465-20260203)

The Government's reply to a petition tabled on 26 November 2025 by Ms. Caron (La Pinière) on a request to ensure the sustainability of intermediate resources;

(Sessional Paper No. 466-20260203)

The Government's reply to a petition tabled on 26 November 2025 by Mr. Morin (Acadie) on a request to speed up applications to the Québec Investor Program;

(Sessional Paper No. 467-20260203)

The reply to a written question from Ms. Caron (La Pinière) on the financial situation of private institutions under agreement – Question No. 67, *Order Paper and Notices* of 11 November 2025;

(Sessional Paper No. 468-20260203)

The reply to a written question from Ms. Massé (Sainte-Marie–Saint-Jacques) on food in residential and long-term care centres (CHSLDs) – Question No. 69, *Order Paper and Notices* of 13 November 2025;

(Sessional Paper No. 469-20260203)

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The reply to a written question from Mr. Chassin (Saint-Jérôme) on the regulation of vaping products – Question No. 72, *Order Paper and Notices* of 25 November 2025;

(Sessional Paper No. 470-20260203)

The reply to a written question from Ms. Prass (D’Arcy-McGee) on mental health services – Question No. 73, *Order Paper and Notices* of 25 November 2025;

(Sessional Paper No. 471-20260203)

The reply to a written question from Ms. Prass (D’Arcy-McGee) on spaces for people experiencing homelessness – Question No. 74, *Order Paper and Notices* of 25 November 2025;

(Sessional Paper No. 472-20260203)

The reply to a written question from Mr. Leduc (Hochelaga-Maisonneuve) on the conditions of employment of paramedics – Question No. 75, *Order Paper and Notices* of 25 November 2025;

(Sessional Paper No. 473-20260203)

The reply to a written question from Ms. Massé (Sainte-Marie–Saint-Jacques) on the future of the Quadrilatère de la Miséricorde site – Question No. 76, *Order Paper and Notices* of 25 November 2025;

(Sessional Paper No. 474-20260203)

The reply to a written question from Ms. Massé (Sainte-Marie–Saint-Jacques) on collective projects to convert heritage buildings – Question No. 77, *Order Paper and Notices* of 25 November 2025;

(Sessional Paper No. 475-20260203)

The reply to a written question from Ms. Massé (Sainte-Marie–Saint-Jacques) on access to treatment for facial lipodystrophy – Question No. 78, *Order Paper and Notices* of 25 November 2025;

(Sessional Paper No. 476-20260203)

The reply to a written question from Mr. Nadeau-Dubois (Gouin) on the prioritization of infrastructure projects in the education sector – Question No. 79, *Order Paper and Notices* of 25 November 2025;

(Sessional Paper No. 477-20260203)

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The reply to a written question from Ms. Labrie (Sherbrooke) on the changes announced to the crop insurance program – Question No. 80, *Order Paper and Notices* of 25 November 2025;

(Sessional Paper No. 478-20260203)

The reply to a written question from Ms. Zaga Mendez (Verdun) on the regulation of commission sharing by mutual fund advisors – Question No. 81, *Order Paper and Notices* of 25 November 2025;

(Sessional Paper No. 479-20260203)

The reply to a written question from Mr. Cliche-Rivard (Saint-Henri–Sainte-Anne) on funding for Christmas markets – Question No. 82, *Order Paper and Notices* of 25 November 2025;

(Sessional Paper No. 480-20260203)

The reply to a written question from Ms. Blanchette Vézina (Rimouski) on the safety of pediatric care in the regions – Question No. 86, *Order Paper and Notices* of 27 November 2025;

(Sessional Paper No. 481-20260203)

The reply to a written question from Mr. Nadeau-Dubois (Gouin) on funding for school food programs and services – Question No. 87, *Order Paper and Notices* of 4 December 2025;

(Sessional Paper No. 482-20260203)

The reply to a written question from Ms. Massé (Sainte-Marie–Saint-Jacques) on the government language policy – Question No. 88, *Order Paper and Notices* of 4 December 2025;

(Sessional Paper No. 483-20260203)

The reply to written questions from Mr. Cliche-Rivard (Saint-Henri–Sainte-Anne) on family reunification and temporary immigration – Questions No. 89 and 90, *Order Paper and Notices* of 9 December 2025;

(Sessional Paper No. 484-20260203)

The reply to a written question from Mr. Morin (Acadie) on people with a Québec selection certificate waiting for permanent residence – Question No. 91, *Order Paper and Notices* of 10 December 2025;

(Sessional Paper No. 485-20260203)

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The reply to a written question from Ms. Massé (Sainte-Marie–Saint-Jacques) on the eligibility criteria of the Manpower Training measure – Question No. 92, *Order Paper and Notices* of 12 December 2025;

(Sessional Paper No. 486-20260203)

The reply to a written question from Mr. Leduc (Hochelaga-Maisonneuve) on the availability of labour in Montréal childcare centres – Question No. 93, *Order Paper and Notices* of 12 December 2025;

(Sessional Paper No. 487-20260203)

The reply to a written question from Mr. Leduc (Hochelaga-Maisonneuve) on the social safety net for the cultural sector – Question No. 94, *Order Paper and Notices* of 12 December 2025;

(Sessional Paper No. 488-20260203)

The reply to a written question from Mr. Leduc (Hochelaga-Maisonneuve) on support for persons experiencing homelessness – Question No. 95, *Order Paper and Notices* of 12 December 2025;

(Sessional Paper No. 489-20260203)

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The President tabled the following:

The new seating plan of the National Assembly, dated 3 February 2026;

(Sessional Paper No. 490-20260203)

A letter, dated 19 January 2026, she had received from Mr. Marc Tanguay, Leader of the Official Opposition, informing her that Ms. Filomena Rotiroti, Member for Jeanne-Mance-Viger, would replace him as a substitute member of the Office of the National Assembly.

(Sessional Paper No. 491-20260203)

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

The motion was carried.

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The President then tabled the following:

A copy of the notice of motion by Ms. Garceau (Robert-Baldwin) to be placed on the *Order Paper and Notices* of Wednesday, 4 February 2026 under Business Standing in the Name of Members in Opposition.

(Sessional Paper No. 492-20260203)

### **Presenting Reports from Committees**

By leave of the Assembly to set aside section 4.4 of the Rules for the Conduct of Proceedings, the President tabled the following:

The report from the steering committee of the Committee on the National Assembly, which met on 2 January 2025 to discuss a request from the parliamentary group forming the Official Opposition concerning changes to the chairs, the vice-chairs and the membership of the parliamentary committees;

(Sessional Paper No. 493-20260203)

The report from the steering committee of the Committee on the National Assembly, which met on 30 January 2026 to discuss a request from the parliamentary group forming the Government concerning an appointment to the Committee on Public Finance;

(Sessional Paper No. 494-20260203)

The report from the steering committee of the Committee on the National Assembly, which met on 3 February 2026 to discuss a request from the parliamentary group forming the Official Opposition concerning a change to the membership of the Committee on Health and Social Services.

(Sessional Paper No. 495-20260203)

By leave of the Assembly to set aside Standing Orders 129 and 134, Ms. Soucy, First Vice-President, moved:

THAT the changes in the membership of the standing committees as provided for in the reports from the steering committee of the Committee on the National Assembly be adopted.

The motion was carried.

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### Presenting Petitions

Mr. Grandmont (Taschereau) tabled the following:

The abstract of a petition on a request to increase the reimbursement of transportation fees for medical visits and therapeutic activities, signed by 210 citizens of Québec;

(Sessional Paper No. 496-20260203)

The abstract of a petition on a request to reform the SAAQ compensation plan, signed by 870 citizens of Québec.

(Sessional Paper No. 497-20260203)

### Oral Questions and Answers

The President issued a directive on modifications in the distribution of certain measures and speaking times having become necessary following modifications in the composition of the Assembly, including the departure of the Members for Saint-Laurent and Chomedey from the parliamentary group forming the Official Opposition and the resignation of the Members for La Prairie and Dubuc from the parliamentary group forming the Government to sit as independent Members.

#### RULING FROM THE CHAIR

Firstly, the speaking times for limited debates shall be adjusted to reflect the changes made to the composition of the Assembly as is customary.

As regards Statements by Members, the new independent Members will each be granted one statement per cycle of 10 sittings. The Members for Saint-Laurent and Chomedey will be granted a statement in 6th place, at the 3rd and 8th sittings of the cycle, respectively, in substitution for a statement by the parliamentary group forming the Official Opposition. As for the Members for La Prairie and Dubuc, they will be granted a statement in 10th place, at the 1st and 4th sittings of the cycle, respectively, in substitution for a statement by the parliamentary group forming the Government. Independent Members who do not intend to exercise this right must inform their parliamentary group, as well as the Chair, not later than 12:30 p.m. on the day before the sitting during which the statement could be made.

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As regards question period, all independent Members who intend to exercise this measure will be granted three questions per two cycles of 12 sittings, in 8th place.

Questions of independent Members from a parliamentary opposition group will be in substitution to those from their original parliamentary group. However, for independent Members from the parliamentary group forming the Government, including those who had already been exercising this right, their questions will now be in substitution to those from the three parliamentary opposition groups, in proportion with their representation in the opposition.

Lastly, it should be noted that many changes were made concerning the order of questions in the cycle to allocate questions in 8th place to each independent Member.

She then tabled the following:

Tables indicating the distribution of measures and allocation of speaking times for question period, Statements by Members and limited debates.

(Sessional Paper No. 498-20260203)

The Assembly proceeded to Oral Question Period.

At the request of the President, Mr. Tanguay, Leader of the Official Opposition, withdrew certain words deemed unparliamentary.

At the request of the President, Ms. Cadet (Bourassa-Sauvé) withdrew certain words deemed unparliamentary.

### **Motions Without Notice**

After consultation with the opposition parties and the independent Members, Mr. Legault, Premier, moved the following:

THAT, in accordance with sections 58 and 58.3 of the *Charter of human rights and freedoms* (chapter C-12), Ms. Nadine Koussa, member and Vice-President of the Commission des services juridiques, be appointed member and President of the Commission des droits de la personne et des droits de la jeunesse for a five-year term, effective 16 February 2026.

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The question was put on this motion and, for the purposes of section 58 of the Charter of human rights and freedoms, an electronic division requiring the approval of two thirds of the Members of the National Assembly was held thereupon.

The motion was carried on the following vote:

(Division No. **94** in Appendix)

Yeas: **90** Nays: **28** Abstentions: **1**

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By leave of the Assembly to set aside Standing Order 185, Ms. Mallette (Huntingdon), together with Ms. Cadet (Bourassa-Sauvé), Mr. Dufour (Abitibi-Est), Ms. Poulet (Laporte) and Ms. Rizqy (Saint-Laurent), moved:

THAT the National Assembly deplore the insulting comments made by the vice-president of the CSN last week;

THAT it recall that no disagreement, no matter how intense, justifies insults against the Members of this Assembly;

THAT, lastly, it invite all union representatives to contribute to societal debates in a responsible, respectful and constructive manner.

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

The motion was carried on the following vote:

(Division No. **95** in Appendix)

Yeas: **112** Nays: **0** Abstentions: **6**

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By leave of the Assembly to set aside Standing Order 185, Mr. Tanguay, Leader of the Official Opposition, together with Mr. Legault, Premier, Mr. Zanetti (Jean-Lesage), Mr. Paradis (Jean-Talon), Mr. Chassin (Saint-Jérôme), Mr. Dufour (Abitibi-Est), Ms. Blanchette Vézina (Rimouski), Ms. Poulet (Laporte), Mr. Marissal (Rosemont), Ms. Rizqy (Saint-Laurent), Ms. Lakhoyan Olivier (Chomedey) and Mr. Dubé (La Prairie) moved:

THAT the National Assembly honour the memory of Quebecers Ibrahima Barry, Mamadou Tanou Barry, Khaled Belkacemi, Abdelkrim Hassane, Azzedine Soufiane and Aboubaker Thabti, who lost their lives on 29 January 2017 at the Grand Mosque in the city of Québec;

THAT it extend its deepest condolences to the families and loved ones of these victims;

THAT it express its solidarity with these women and men forever marked by this tragic event, as well as with the entire Muslim community of Québec;

THAT it recall the burden carried by first responders and honour the memory of Andréanne Leblanc, for whom the tragedy was too great to bear;

THAT it unequivocally condemn all hateful speech and actions, racism and discrimination against the Muslim community, as well as all forms of xenophobia and Islamophobia;

THAT it invite the Government to step up its initiatives to put an end to all forms of racism in Québec;

THAT, lastly, the National Assembly observe a moment of silence to honour the memory of those who died.

By leave of the Assembly, a debate arose thereon.

The debate being concluded, the motion was carried.

At the request of Ms. Soucy, First Vice-President, the Assembly observed a minute of silence.

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Ms. Zaga Mendez (Verdun), together with Mr. Marissal (Rosemont), moved a motion on the funding of companies linked to the activities of the American agency ICE; this motion could not be debated for want of unanimous consent.

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Mr. St-Pierre Plamondon, Leader of the Third Opposition Group, together with Ms. Rotiroti (Jeanne-Mance-Viger), Mr. Cliche-Rivard (Saint-Henri-Sainte-Anne), Mr. Chassin (Saint-Jérôme), Mr. Marissal (Rosemont) and Ms. Rizqy (Saint-Laurent), moved a motion on the construction project for the new Hôpital Maisonneuve-Rosemont; this motion could not be debated for want of unanimous consent.

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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 on the following motions, without reading them beforehand:

THAT within the framework of the consideration of Bill 13, An Act to promote the population's safety and sense of security and to amend various provisions, the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain hold special consultations and public hearings on Tuesday, 3 February 2026 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, 4 February 2026 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:

Sûreté du Québec  
Service de police de la Ville de Montréal  
Service de police de la Ville de Québec  
Association des directeurs de police du Québec  
Quebec Association of First Nation and Inuit Police  
Directors  
Centre d'aide aux victimes d'actes criminels

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Regroupement québécois des centres d'aide et de lutte  
contre les agressions à caractère sexuel  
Assembly of First Nations Quebec-Labrador  
Association des policières et policiers provinciaux du  
Québec  
Fédération des policiers et policières municipaux du  
Québec  
Barreau du Québec  
Regroupement des maisons pour femmes victimes de  
violence conjugale  
Association des services de réhabilitation sociale du  
Québec  
Alliance MH2;

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 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 individual or organization;

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

By leave of the Assembly, the motion was carried.

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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 11, 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, 3 February 2026 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, 4 February 2026 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, 5 February 2026 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.;

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

Fédération des chambres de commerce du Québec  
Chambre de commerce et d'industrie de Québec  
Regroupement des jeunes chambres de commerce du Québec  
Canadian Federation of Independent Business  
Manufacturiers et Exportateurs du Québec  
Fédération québécoise des municipalités  
Union des municipalités du Québec  
Syndicat de la fonction publique et parapublique du Québec  
Conseil du patronat  
Association minière du Québec  
Régie de l'énergie  
Producteurs et productrices acéricoles du Québec  
Chantier de l'économie sociale  
Coalition Québec Meilleure mine  
Producteurs de cidre du Québec  
Québec Forest Industry Council  
Union des producteurs agricoles  
Nature Québec  
Groupements forestiers Québec;

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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 individual or organization;

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

By leave of the Assembly, the motion was carried.

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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 5, An Act to accelerate the granting of the authorizations required to carry out priority national-scale projects, to hold special consultations and public hearings on Tuesday, 10 February 2026 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, 11 February 2026 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.;

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

Manufacturiers et Exportateurs du Québec  
Association minière du Québec  
Association québécoise de la production d'énergie renouvelable  
Fédération québécoise des municipalités  
Union des municipalités du Québec  
Bureau d'audiences publiques sur l'environnement  
Syndicat de la fonction publique et parapublique du Québec  
Union des producteurs agricoles  
Assembly of First Nations Quebec-Labrador  
Association des biologistes du Québec  
Conseil du patronat du Québec  
Association des constructeurs de routes et grands travaux du Québec  
Québec Forest Industry Council  
Centre québécois du droit de l'environnement;

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 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 individual or organization;

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

By leave of the Assembly, the motion was carried.

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THAT the National Assembly give effect to the order of reference given to the Committee on Citizen Relations within the framework of the consideration of Bill 9, An Act respecting the reinforcement of laicity in Québec, to hold special consultations and public hearings on Tuesday, 3 February 2026 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, 4 February 2026 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, 5 February 2026 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, 10 February 2026 from 9:45 a.m. to 12:10 p.m.;

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

Me Guillaume Rousseau and Me Christiane Pelchat  
Droits collectifs Québec  
Rassemblement pour la laïcité  
Fédération des établissements d'enseignement privés  
Union des municipalités du Québec  
Association québécoise des centres de la petite enfance  
National Council of Canadian Muslims  
Centrale des syndicats du Québec  
Centre for Israel and Jewish Affairs  
Assemblée des évêques catholiques du Québec  
Confédération des syndicats nationaux  
Fédération des femmes du Québec  
Ligue des droits et libertés  
Fédération autonome de l'enseignement  
Commission des droits de la personne et droits de la jeunesse  
Murielle Chatelier, Association des Québécois unis contre le racisme  
Réseau évangélique du Québec  
Lamine Foura, co-founder of the Congrès maghrébin au Québec  
Barreau du Québec  
Mouvement laïque québécois  
Fédération des cégeps  
Bureau de coopération interuniversitaire;

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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 individual or organization;

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

By leave of the Assembly, the motion was carried.

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THAT the National Assembly give effect to the order of reference given to the Committee on Citizen Relations within the framework of the consideration of Bill 12, An Act to establish the provision of educational childcare by recognized persons responsible for a community educational childcare service, to hold special consultations and public hearings on Tuesday, 10 February 2026 after Notices of Proceedings in Committees from approximately 3:15 p.m. to 7:35 p.m.; on Wednesday, 11 February 2026, from 3:00 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.; and on Thursday, 12 February 2026 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:

Conseil québécois des services éducatifs à la petite enfance  
Association québécoise des milieux familiaux éducatifs privés  
Association des haltes-garderies communautaires du Québec  
Ma place au travail  
Valorisons ma profession  
Union des municipalités du Québec  
Fédération québécoise des municipalités  
Fédération des intervenantes en petite enfance du Québec – Centrale des syndicats du Québec  
Confédération des syndicats nationaux  
Association québécoise des centres de la petite enfance  
Sophie Mathieu, Associate Professor, École de politique appliquée, Université de Sherbrooke;

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 individual or organization;

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

By leave of the Assembly, the motion was carried.

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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 15, An Act to amend the Professional Code and other provisions mainly to streamline the regulatory processes of the professional system and broaden certain professional practices in the field of health and social services, to hold special consultations and public hearings on Thursday, 5 February 2026 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.; on Tuesday, 10 February 2026, 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.; and on Wednesday, 11 February 2026 after Notices of Proceedings in Committees from approximately 11:15 a.m. to 12:50 p.m. and from 3:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.;

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

Conseil interprofessionnel du Québec  
Ordre des infirmières et infirmiers du Québec  
Ordre des pharmaciens du Québec  
Collèges des médecins du Québec  
Ordre des travailleurs sociaux et des thérapeutes  
conjugaux et familiaux du Québec  
Ordre des sage-femmes du Québec  
Ordre des optométristes du Québec  
Ordre des diététistes-nutritionnistes du Québec  
Conseil pour la protection des malades  
Fédération interprofessionnelle de la santé du Québec  
Alliance du personnel professionnel et technique de la  
santé et des services sociaux  
Association des bannières et chaînes de pharmacie du  
Québec  
Fédération des médecins omnipraticiens du Québec  
Ordre des psychologues du Québec  
Institut national d'excellence en santé et en services  
sociaux  
Association québécoise des pharmaciens propriétaires;

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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 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.

By leave of the Assembly, the motion was carried.

### **Notices of Proceedings in Committees**

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

- 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 Public Finance, to continue its clause-by-clause consideration of Bill 7, An Act to reduce bureaucracy, increase state efficiency and reinforce the accountability of senior public servants.

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

- the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain, to continue its public hearings within the framework of special consultations on Bill 13, An Act to promote the population's safety and sense of security and to amend various provisions;
- the Committee on Labour and the Economy, to continue its public hearings within the framework of special consultations on Bill 11, An Act to amend various provisions for the main purpose of reducing regulatory and administrative burden;
- the Committee on Citizen Relations, to continue its public hearings within the framework of special consultations on Bill 9, An Act respecting the reinforcement of laicity in Québec.

### **Information on the Proceedings of the Assembly**

Ms. Soucy, First Vice-President, informed the Assembly that on Wednesday, 4 February 2026, during Business Standing in the Name of Members in Opposition, a debate would be held on the motion moved by Ms. Garceau (Robert-Baldwin).

This motion reads as follows:

THAT the National Assembly take note of the alarming increase in violence against women in Québec, in particular domestic violence, which is reflected, among other things, in the many femicides already committed since the beginning of 2026 and in the critical overcrowding of women's shelters and external services, whose capacity has been greatly exceeded;

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THAT it be alarmed that, last year, SOS violence conjugale received more than 19,000 requests for shelter and that more than one in two women were turned away due to a lack of space and resources and that, in some regions, the refusal rate was nearly 67%;

THAT it note that the actions taken by the Government in recent years have not curbed the increase in violence against women, that this violence continues to increase, and that it is appropriate and necessary to enhance the policy framework in this regard;

THAT, lastly, it demand that the Government urgently table an update to the 2022–2027 government strategy to fight against sexual violence and domestic violence and to rebuild trust, which is based in particular on predictability of funding for shelters and support services, increased shelter capacity and improved prevention, early detection and support services, including for women experiencing homelessness.

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**ORDERS OF THE DAY**

At 3:36 p.m., at the request of Mr. Lévesque, Deputy Government House Leader, Ms. Soucy, First Vice-President, suspended the proceedings until the expiry of the delay for receiving notices for debates upon adjournment.

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The proceedings resumed at 3:41 p.m.

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At 3:41 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 a debate upon adjournment on a question from Mr. Beauchemin (Marguerite-Bourgeoys) to Mr. Girard, Minister of Finance, about the CAQ government's catastrophic management of public finances.

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At 6:43 p.m., Mr. Benjamin, Third Vice-President, adjourned the Assembly until Wednesday, 4 February 2026 at 9:40 a.m.

**NATHALIE ROY**

*President*

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APPENDIX

Electronic Divisions

On the motion moved by Mr. Legault, Premier, that Ms. Nadine Koussa be appointed member and President of the Commission des droits de la personne et des droits de la jeunesse:

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YEAS - 90

Abou-Khalil (CAQ)	Champagne Jourdain (CAQ)	Jacques (CAQ)	Montigny (CAQ)
Allaire (CAQ)	Charest (CAQ)	Jeannotte (CAQ)	Paradis (PQ)
Arseneau (PQ)	Charette (CAQ)	Jolin-Barrette (CAQ)	Picard (CAQ)
Asselin (CAQ)	Chassin (IND)	Julien (CAQ)	Poulet (IND)
Bachand (CAQ)	Déry (CAQ)	Lachance (CAQ)	Poulin (CAQ)
Bélanger (CAQ) (Orford)	Dionne (CAQ)	Lacombe (CAQ)	Proulx (CAQ)
Bélanger (CAQ) (Prévost)	Dorismond (CAQ)	Laframboise (CAQ)	Provençal (CAQ)
Bernard (CAQ)	Drainville (CAQ)	Lafrenière (CAQ)	Reid (CAQ)
Bérubé (PQ)	Dubé (IND)	Lakhoyan Olivier (IND)	Rivest (CAQ)
Biron (CAQ)	Dufour (IND) (Abitibi-Est)	Lamontagne (CAQ)	Roberge (CAQ)
Blais (CAQ)	Duranceau (CAQ)	Lamothe (CAQ)	Rouleau (CAQ)
Blanchette Vézina (IND)	Emond (CAQ)	LeBel (CAQ)	Roy (CAQ)
Blouin (CAQ)	Fréchette (CAQ)	Lecours (CAQ) (Les Plaines)	Sainte-Croix (CAQ)
Bogemans (CAQ)	Gagnon (CAQ)	Lecours (CAQ) (Lotbinière-Frontenac)	Schmaltz (CAQ)
Boissonneault (PQ)	Gendron (CAQ)	Legault (CAQ)	Schneeberger (CAQ)
Boivin Roy (CAQ)	Gentilcore (PQ)	Lemay (CAQ)	Simard (CAQ)
Bonnardel (CAQ)	Girard (CAQ) (Lac-Saint-Jean)	Lemieux (CAQ)	Skeete (CAQ)
Boulet (CAQ)	Girard (CAQ) (Groulx)	Lévesque (CAQ) (Chauveau)	St-Louis (CAQ)
Bourassa (CAQ)	Grondin (CAQ)	Lévesque (CAQ) (Chapleau)	St-Pierre Plamondon (PQ)
Bussière (CAQ)	Guilbault (CAQ)	Mallette (CAQ)	Tardif (CAQ)
Caire (CAQ)	Guillemette (CAQ)	Marissal (IND)	Thouin (CAQ)
Carmant (IND)	Haytayan (CAQ)	Martel (CAQ)	Tremblay (CAQ) (Hull)
Caron (CAQ) (Portneuf)	Hébert (CAQ)		

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Beauchemin (QLP)	Fontecilla (QS)	Massé (QS)	Zaga Mendez (QS)
Bouazzi (QS)	Fortin (QLP)	McGraw (QLP)	Zanetti (QS)
Cadet (QLP)	Garceau (QLP)	Morin (QLP)	
Caron (QLP) (La Pinière)	Ghazal (QS)	Nadeau-Dubois (QS)	
Ciccone (QLP)	Grandmont (QS)	Nichols (QLP)	
Cliche-Rivard (QS)	Kelley (QLP)	Prass (QLP)	
Derraji (QLP)	Labrie (QS)	Rotiroti (QLP)	
Dufour (QLP) (Mille-Îles)	Leduc (QS)	Setlakwe (QLP)	
	Maccarone (QLP)	Tanguay (QLP)	

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On the motion moved by Ms. Mallette (Huntingdon), together with Ms. Cadet (Bourassa-Sauvé), Mr. Dufour (Abitibi-Est), Ms. Poulet (Laporte) and Ms. Rizqy (Saint-Laurent):

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Abou-Khalil (CAQ)	Cliche-Rivard (QS)	Jolin-Barrette (CAQ)	Nadeau-Dubois (QS)
Allaire (CAQ)	Derraji (QLP)	Julien (CAQ)	Nichols (QLP)
Asselin (CAQ)	Déry (CAQ)	Kelley (QLP)	Picard (CAQ)
Bachand (CAQ)	Dionne (CAQ)	Labrie (QS)	Poulet (IND)
Beauchemin (QLP)	Dorismond (CAQ)	Lachance (CAQ)	Poulin (CAQ)
Bélanger (CAQ)	Drainville (CAQ)	Lacombe (CAQ)	Prass (QLP)
(Prévost)	Dubé (IND)	Laframboise (CAQ)	Proulx (CAQ)
Bélanger (CAQ)	Dufour (IND)	Lafrenière (CAQ)	Provençal (CAQ)
(Orford)	(Abitibi-Est)	Lakhoyan Olivier (IND)	Reid (CAQ)
Bernard (CAQ)	Dufour (QLP)	Lamontagne (CAQ)	Rivest (CAQ)
Biron (CAQ)	(Mille-Îles)	Lamothe (CAQ)	Rizqy (IND)
Blais (CAQ)	Duranceau (CAQ)	LeBel (CAQ)	Roberge (CAQ)
Blanchette Vézina (IND)	Émond (CAQ)	Lecours (CAQ)	Rotiroti (QLP)
Blouin (CAQ)	Fontecilla (QS)	(Les Plaines)	Rouleau (CAQ)
Bogemans (CAQ)	Fortin (QLP)	Lecours (CAQ)	Roy (CAQ)
Boivin Roy (CAQ)	Fréchette (CAQ)	(Lotbinière-Frontenac)	Sainte-Croix (CAQ)
Bonnardel (CAQ)	Gagnon (CAQ)	Leduc (QS)	Schmaltz (CAQ)
Bouazzi (QS)	Garceau (QLP)	Legault (CAQ)	Schneeberger (CAQ)
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Cadet (QLP)	(Lac-Saint-Jean)	(Chapleau)	St-Louis (CAQ)
Carmant (IND)	Girard (CAQ)	Lévesque (CAQ)	Tanguay (QLP)
Caron (CAQ)	(Groulx)	(Chauveau)	Tardif (CAQ)
(Portneuf)	Grandmont (QS)	Maccarone (QLP)	Thouin (CAQ)
Caron (QLP)	Groncin (CAQ)	Mallette (CAQ)	Tremblay (CAQ)
(La Pinière)	Guilbault (CAQ)	Marissal (IND)	(Hull)
Champagne Jourdain	Guillemette (CAQ)	Martel (CAQ)	Zaga Mendez (QS)
(CAQ)			
Charest (CAQ)	Haytayan (CAQ)	Massé (QS)	Zanetti (QS)
Charette (CAQ)	Hébert (CAQ)	McGraw (QLP)	
Chassin (IND)	Jacques (CAQ)	Montigny (CAQ)	
Ciccone (QLP)	Jeannotte (CAQ)	Morin (QLP)	

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Arseneau (PQ)	Gentilcore (PQ)
Bérubé (PQ)	Paradis (PQ)
Boissonneault (PQ)	St-Pierre Plamondon
	(PQ)