NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
OF QUÉBEC

THIRD SESSION FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

Votes and Proceedings

of the Assembly

Thursday, 14 May 2026 — No. 6

President of the National Assembly:
Madam Nathalie Roy

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

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ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

Statements by Members

Ms. Roy (Verchères) made a statement to underline the 20th anniversary of Les Diableries de Contrecoeur.

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Ms. Caron (La Pinière) made a statement to underline Québec Meals on Wheels Week.

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Ms. Picard (Soulanges) made a statement to pay tribute to Mr. Antoine Forest.

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Mr. Leduc (Hochelaga-Maisonneuve) made a statement to underline the 60th anniversary of the Centre communautaire Hochelaga.

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Mr. Montigny (René-Lévesque) made a statement to underline the historical and cultural mission of the Musée de l'église Sainte-Amélie.

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Ms. Maccarone (Westmount–Saint-Louis) made a statement to underline Asian Heritage Month.

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Ms. Jeannotte (Labelle) made a statement to underline the 125th anniversary of Ferme-Neuve.

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Ms. Champagne Jourdain (Duplessis) made a statement to applaud the determination of young athletes from the Côte-Nord region.

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Mr. Carmant (Taillon) made a statement to applaud the Collège Français de Longueuil hockey club for its recent performances.

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Ms. Rouleau (Pointe-aux-Trembles) made a statement to underline the 384th anniversary of Montréal.

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By leave of the Assembly, Ms. Roy (Verchères) remade her statement to underline the 20th anniversary of Les Diableries de Contrecoeur.

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

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The proceedings resumed at 10:07 a.m.

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Moment of reflection

Introduction of Bills

Mr. Grandmont (Taschereau) moved that leave be granted to introduce the following bill:

690 An Act respecting the right to food

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

The motion was carried on the following vote:

(Division No. **9** in Appendix)

Yeas: **93** Nays: **0** Abstentions: **0**

Accordingly, Bill 690 was introduced in the Assembly.

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Mr. Arseneau (Îles-de-la-Madeleine) moved that leave be granted to introduce the following bill:

599 An Act to proclaim the National Day of Awareness of Immunocompromised Persons' Challenges

The motion was carried.

Accordingly, Bill 599 was introduced in the Assembly.

Presenting Papers

The President tabled the following decision of the Office of the National Assembly, dated 13 May 2026:

> Decision 2402 concerning the Règlement modifiant le Règlement sur le pavoisement et l'éclairage extérieur des édifices de l'Assemblée nationale (regulation respecting exterior flags and lights of the National Assembly buildings).
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> (Sessional Paper No. 80-20260514)

She then tabled the following:

> A report from the Commissioner for Children's Well-Being and Rights on a legislative reform for and with children in Québec entitled "Une réforme législative pour et avec les enfants au Québec".
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> (Sessional Paper No. 81-20260514)

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Fontecilla (Laurier-Dorion) tabled the following:

> The abstract of a petition on withdrawing Chapter I of Bill 20, An Act to enact the Act to facilitate access to housing and amending various provisions with respect to housing, signed by 14,406 citizens of Québec.
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> (Sessional Paper No. 82-20260514)

Ms. Poulet (Laporte) tabled the following:

> The abstract of a petition on reviewing the socioeconomic environment index and the mechanisms for allocating resources to schools, signed by 4,920 citizens of Québec.
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> (Sessional Paper No. 83-20260514)

By leave of the Assembly to set aside Standing Order 63, Mr. Fontecilla (Laurier-Dorion) tabled the following:

> The abstract of a petition on withdrawing Chapter I of Bill 20, An Act to enact the Act to facilitate access to housing and amending various provisions with respect to housing, signed by 550 citizens of Québec.
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> (Sessional Paper No. 84-20260514)

Complaints of Breach of Privilege or Contempt and Personal Explanations

Pursuant to section 102 of the *Code of ethics and conduct of the Members of the National Assembly*, Ms. Lakhoyan Olivier (Chomedey) made a statement.

The President informed the Assembly that the division on the Ethics Commissioner's investigation report would be held during Deferred Divisions on the next sitting day.

Oral Questions and Answers

The Assembly proceeded to Oral Question Period.

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

Motions Without Notice

Ms. Mallette (Huntingdon), together with Mr. Beauchemin (Marguerite-Bourgeoys), Mr. St-Pierre Plamondon, Leader of the Third Opposition Group, Mr. Chassin (Saint-Jérôme) and Mr. Dufour (Abitibi-Est), moved a motion on the tax rate for Quebecers; this motion could not be debated for want of unanimous consent.

Ms. Maccarone (Westmount–Saint-Louis), together with Mr. Fontecilla (Laurier-Dorion), Mr. Arseneau (Îles-de-la-Madeleine), Mr. Dufour (Abitibi-Est), Ms. Poulet (Laporte) and Mr. Marissal (Rosemont), moved a motion on mental health support for public security professionals; this motion could not be debated for want of unanimous consent.

By leave of the Assembly to set aside Standing Order 185, Ms. Massé (Sainte-Marie–Saint-Jacques), together with Ms. Biron, Minister Responsible for the Status of Women, Ms. Maccarone (Westmount–Saint-Louis), Ms. Gentilcore (Terrebonne), Mr. Chassin (Saint-Jérôme), Ms. Poulet (Laporte) and Mr. Marissal (Rosemont), moved:

> THAT the National Assembly mark the 24th edition of the International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia, an initiative launched in Québec in 2003 by the organization Fondation Émergence, to be held on 17 May 2026;
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> THAT it also underline Fondation Émergence's public awareness campaign, under the theme "The Allied Effect is on the move", which highlights the importance of allies in building a more inclusive and respectful society;
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> THAT it recognize the essential role of allies, whether they are individuals, institutions or organizations, in making sure that sexually and gender diverse people are treated with respect and dignity, and able to live in safety;
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> THAT it acknowledge the growing concerns related to hate speech and hateful acts aimed at sexually and gender diverse people, both in Québec and across the world;
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> THAT it invite the Québec population to participate in the initiatives deployed as part of May 17, to take action in solidarity with sexually and gender diverse people, and to contribute to the Ally Effect by recalling that each act of support helps build a more compassionate society;
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> THAT, lastly, it reaffirm Québec's role as a leader in the fight against homophobia and transphobia, as well as its commitment to promoting equality, dignity and respect for all.

By leave of the Assembly, a debate arose thereon.

The debate being concluded, the motion was carried.

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Mr. Bérubé (Matane-Matapédia), together with Mr. Grandmont (Taschereau), Mr. Dufour (Abitibi-Est) and Mr. Marissal (Rosemont), moved a motion on Québec wildlife protection offices; this motion could not be debated for want of unanimous consent.

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Ms. Poulet (Laporte), together with Ms. Cadet (Bourassa-Sauvé), Mr. Nadeau-Dubois (Gouin), Mr. Bérubé (Matane-Matapédia) and Mr. Marissal (Rosemont), moved a motion on the socioeconomic environment index; this motion could not be debated for want of unanimous consent.

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Pursuant to Standing Order 267, Ms. LeBel, Deputy Government House Leader, moved that Private Bill 201, An Act respecting the Monastère des Ursulines de Québec, be referred to the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain for consultation and clause-by-clause consideration and that the Minister for Municipal Affairs be a member of the said Committee during its proceedings with respect to this order of reference.

The motion was carried.

Notices of Proceedings in Committees

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

— the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries, Energy and Natural Resources, to undertake examination of the "Energy" component of the 2026–2027 estimates of expenditure of the "Économie, Innovation et Énergie" portfolio;

— the Committee on Labour and the Economy, to undertake examination of the "Social Solidarity and Autonomous Community Action" component of the 2026–2027 estimates of expenditure of the "Emploi et Solidarité sociale" portfolio;

— the Committee on Institutions, to undertake examination of the "Public Security" component of the 2026–2027 estimates of expenditure of the "Sécurité publique" portfolio;

— the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries, Energy and Natural Resources, to undertake examination of the "Hydro-Québec" component of the 2026–2027 estimates of expenditure of the "Économie, Innovation et Énergie" portfolio;

— the Committee on Labour and the Economy, to undertake examination of the "Labour" component of the 2026–2027 estimates of expenditure of the "Travail" portfolio;

— the Committee on Institutions, to undertake examination of the "Canadian Relations" component of the 2026–2027 estimates of expenditure of the "Conseil exécutif" portfolio;

— the Committee on Public Finance, to undertake examination of the "Infrastructures" component of the 2026–2027 estimates of expenditure of the "Conseil du Trésor, Administration gouvernementale et Efficacité de l'État" portfolio;

— the Committee on Health and Social Services, to undertake examination of the "Health" component of the 2026–2027 estimates of expenditure of the "Santé et Services sociaux" portfolio;

— the Committee on Citizen Relations, to undertake examination of the "Anti-Bullying" component of the 2026–2027 estimates of expenditure of the "Famille" portfolio.

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

— the Committee on Culture and Education, to undertake examination of the "Culture and Communications" component of the 2026–2027 estimates of expenditure of the "Culture et Communications" portfolio;

- the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain, to undertake examination of the "Regions" component of the 2026–2027 estimates of expenditure of the "Affaires municipales et Habitation" portfolio;

- the Committee on Planning and the Public Domain, to undertake examination of the "Housing" component of the 2026–2027 estimates of expenditure of the "Affaires municipales et Habitation" portfolio;

- the Committee on Citizen Relations, to undertake examination of the "Family" component of the 2026–2027 estimates of expenditure of the "Famille" portfolio.

At 11:37 a.m., pursuant to Standing Order 282, Mr. Benjamin, Third Vice-President, adjourned the Assembly until Tuesday, 26 May 2026 at 1:40 p.m.

NATHALIE ROY

President

APPENDIX

Electronic Divisions

On the motion moved by Mr. Grandmont (Taschereau) that leave be granted to introduce Bill 690, An Act respecting the right to food:

(Division No. 9)

YEAS - 93

Allaire (*CAQ*)	Ciccone (*QLP*)	Kelley (*QLP*)	Poulin (*CAQ*)
Arseneau (*PQ*)	Cliche-Rivard (*QS*)	Lacombe (*CAQ*)	Proulx (*CAQ*)
Asselin (*CAQ*)	Déry (*CAQ*)	Laflamme (*PQ*)	Reid (*CAQ*)
Bachand (*CAQ*)	Dionne (*CAQ*)	Laframboise (*CAQ*)	Rivest (*CAQ*)
Beauchemin (*QLP*)	Drainville (*CAQ*)	Lafrenière (*CAQ*)	Roberge (*CAQ*)
Bélanger (*CAQ*)	Dufour (*IND*)	Lakhoyan Olivier (*IND*)	Rotiroti (*QLP*)
(*Prévost*)	(*Abitibi-Est*)	LeBel (*CAQ*)	Rouleau (*CAQ*)
Bernard (*CAQ*)	Dufour (*QLP*)	Lecours (*CAQ*)	Roy (*CAQ*)
Bérubé (*PQ*)	(*Mille-Îles*)	(*Les Plaines*)	Sainte-Croix (*CAQ*)
Biron (*CAQ*)	Duranceau (*CAQ*)	Lecours (*CAQ*)	Schmaltz (*CAQ*)
Blais (*CAQ*)	Émond (*CAQ*)	(*Lotbinière-Frontenac*)	Schneeberger (*CAQ*)
Blouin (*CAQ*)	Fontecilla (*QS*)	Leduc (*QS*)	Setlakwe (*QLP*)
Bogemans (*CAQ*)	Fréchette (*CAQ*)	Lemay (*CAQ*)	Simard (*CAQ*)
Boissonneault (*PQ*)	Gagnon (*CAQ*)	Lemieux (*CAQ*)	Skeete (*CAQ*)
Boivin Roy (*CAQ*)	Garceau (*QLP*)	Lévesque (*CAQ*)	St-Louis (*CAQ*)
Boulet (*CAQ*)	Gendron (*CAQ*)	(*Chapleau*)	Tanguay (*QLP*)
Bourassa (*CAQ*)	Gentilcore (*PQ*)	Maccarone (*QLP*)	Tardif (*CAQ*)
Bussière (*CAQ*)	Ghazal (*QS*)	Mallette (*CAQ*)	Thouin (*CAQ*)
Cadet (*QLP*)	Girard (*CAQ*)	Martel (*CAQ*)	Tremblay (*CAQ*)
Carmant (*CAQ*)	(*Lac-Saint-Jean*)	Massé (*QS*)	(*Hull*)
Caron (*CAQ*)	Grandmont (*QS*)	McGraw (*QLP*)	Zaga Mendez (*QS*)
(*Portneuf*)	Grondin (*CAQ*)	Montigny (*CAQ*)	Zanetti (*QS*)
Caron (*QLP*)	Guillemette (*CAQ*)	Morin (*QLP*)	
(*La Pinière*)	Hébert (*CAQ*)	Nadeau-Dubois (*QS*)	
Champagne Jourdain (*CAQ*)	Jacques (*CAQ*)	Paradis (*PQ*)	
Charette (*CAQ*)	Jeannotte (*CAQ*)	Picard (*CAQ*)	
Chassin (*IND*)	Julien (*CAQ*)	Poulet (*IND*)	