

Queen's Park notes

Update—October 23–December 8, 2023

43rd PARLIAMENT—Fall/Winter Session

Between October 23, 2023 and December 8, 2023, there were 19 new bills introduced (11 government, 11 private members' bills (2 PC, 8 NDP, 1 GRN), six bills referred to Standing Committees (4 government, 2 PC private members'), and seven government bills received Royal Assent.

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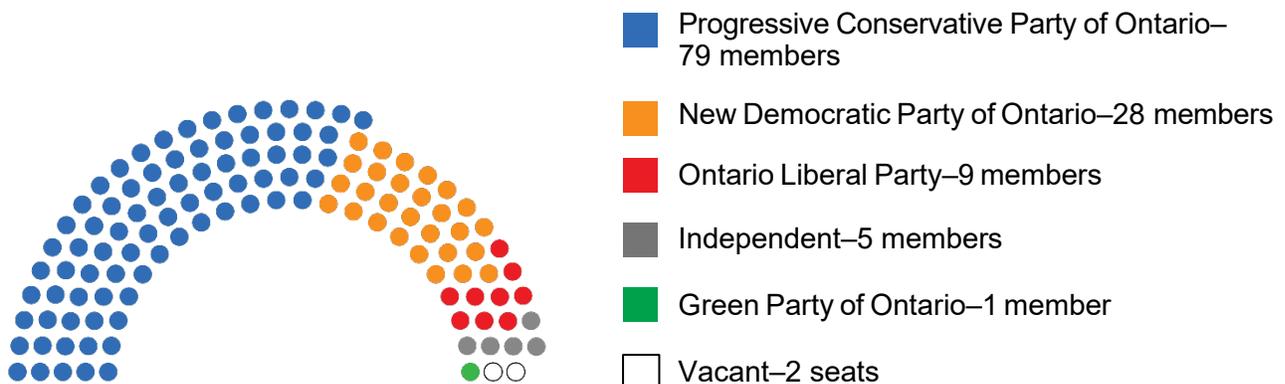
Find the [current bill](#) you are interested in (Ex. [Bill 98](#)) → Determine the day the vote took place ([Ex. June 8, 2023](#)) → Review the Votes and Proceedings ([available by month and day](#))

KEY EVENTS, DATES, AND DEADLINES

December 9–February 19, 2024
February 20, 2024
March 11–14, 2024
Before March 30, 2024

Legislature Break
Start of Spring Session
Constituency week—MPPs available for local lobbying
Lambton–Kent–Middlesex by-election

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Total MPPs/Ridings—124

BILLS INTRODUCED OR DEFEATED

BILL 161, EASTERN ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN WEEK ACT, 2023

Private Members' Bill—NDP
Tom Rakocevic (Humber River—Black Creek)

BILL 160, CLIMATE CRISIS HEALTH ACTION PLAN ACT, 2023

Private Members' Bill—NDP
Bhutila Karpoche (Parkdale—High Park)
Peter Tabuns (Toronto—Danforth)

BILL 159, PREVENTING UNETHICAL PUPPY SALES ACT, 2023

Government Bill
Hon. Michael Kerzner (York Centre)
Solicitor General

BILL 158, GROUP OF SEVEN DAY ACT, 2023

Private Members' Bill—PC
Brian Riddell (Cambridge)

BILL 157, ENHANCING ACCESS TO JUSTICE ACT, 2023

Government Bill
Hon. Doug Downey (Barrie—Springwater—Oro-Medonte)
Attorney General

BILL 156, HOMES YOU CAN AFFORD IN THE COMMUNITIES YOU LOVE ACT, 2023

Private Members' Bill
Mike Schreiner (Guelph)

BILL 155, AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE OF ONTARIO AMENDMENT ACT, 2023

Government Bill
Hon. Lisa Thompson (Huron—Bruce)
Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs

BILL 153, BUILDING INFRASTRUCTURE SAFELY ACT, 2023

Government Bill
Hon. Todd J. McCarthy (Durham)
Minister of Public and Business Service Delivery

BILL 152, CHAD'S LAW (ENFORCING SAFER PASSING) ACT, 2023

Private Members' Bill
Guy Bourgouin (Mushkegowuk—James Bay)

BILL 151, IMPROVING REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT ACT, 2023

Government Bill
Hon. Kinga Surma (Etobicoke Centre)
Minister of Infrastructure

BILLS INTRODUCED OR DEFEATED (CONTINUED)

BILL 149, WORKING FOR WORKERS FOUR ACT, 2023

Government Bill
Hon. David Piccini (Northumberland–Peterborough South)
Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development

BILL 148, CLEANING UP CORRUPTION ACT, 2023—DEFEATED AT 2ND READING

Private Members' Bill—NDP
Marit Stiles (Davenport)
Chris Glover (Spadina–Fort York)

BILL 147, PROTECTING OUR CROWNS (TRAINING REQUIREMENTS WITH RESPECT TO BLACK, INDIGENOUS, RACIALIZED, NATURAL AND TEXTURED HAIR TYPES) ACT, 2023

Private Members' Bill—NDP
Jill Andrew (Toronto–St. Paul's)

BILL 145, BIRD-SAFE WINDOWS ACT, 2023

Private Members' Bill—NDP
Chris Globber (Spadina–Fort York)

BILL 144, HEALTHCARE STAFFING AGENCIES ACT, 2023

Private Members' Bill—NDP
France Gélinas (Nickel Belt)
Wayne Gates (Niagara Falls)

BILL 143, HARVEST SEASON ROAD SAFETY WEEK ACT, 2023

Private Members' Bill—PC
Mike Harris (Kitchener–Conestoga)

BILL 140, IMPROVING AIR QUALITY FOR OUR CHILDREN ACT, 2023

Private Members' Bill—NDP
Bhutila Karpoche (Parkdale–High Park)
Teresa J. Armstrong (London–Fanshawe)
Chandra Pasma (Ottawa West–Nepean)

BILLS PASSED/RECEIVED ROYAL ASSENT

BILL 154, NEW DEAL FOR TORONTO ACT, 2023

Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy (Pickering–Uxbridge)
Minister of Finance

BILL 150, PLANNING STATUTE LAW AMENDMENT ACT, 2023

Hon. Paul Calandra (Markham–Stouffville)
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

BILL 146, BUILDING A STRONG ONTARIO TOGETHER ACT (BUDGET MEASURES), 2023

Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy (Pickering–Uxbridge)
Minister of Finance

BILL 142, BETTER FOR CONSUMERS, BETTER FOR BUSINESSES ACT, 2023

Hon. Todd J. McCarthy (Durham)
Minister of Public and Business Service Delivery

BILL 139, LESS RED TAPE, MORE COMMON SENSE ACT, 2023

Hon. Parm Gill (Milton)
Minister of Red Tape Reduction

BILL 136, GREENBELT STATUTE LAW AMENDMENT ACT, 2023

Hon. Paul Calandra (Markham–Stouffville)
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

BILL 135, CONVENIENT CARE AT HOME ACT, 2023

Hon. Sylvia Jones (Dufferin–Caledon)
Minister of Health

BILL 134, AFFORDABLE HOMES AND GOOD JOBS ACT, 2023

Hon. Paul Calandra (Markham–Stouffville)
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

BILL 131, TRANSPORTATION FOR THE FUTURE ACT, 2023

Hon. Kinga Surma (Etobicoke Centre)
Minister of Infrastructure

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