

**WELCOME TO THE
PARLIAMENT
OF ALL WALLOONS**



THE OF DEMOCRACY

The seat of democracy, the Parliament of Wallonia is the institution of the Walloon Region where public policies are proposed, discussed, adopted, and audited. Its daily activity is at the service of all Walloon citizens.



5 MISSIONS:

- > **TO VOTE** on decrees
- > **TO MONITOR** the government
- > **TO LISTEN** to and **EXPRESS** the opinions of the Walloon people
- > **TO PARTICIPATE** in building the European Union
- > **TO PROMOTE** active citizenship

The Parliament votes on decrees but that's not all they do. The representatives ask questions to the Government and express themselves through resolutions. They follow the actions of the European Union very closely. Their action is totally for the benefit of the citizens.

5TH SESSION OF THE XITH LEGISLATURE

A legislature is divided into sessions. An extraordinary session takes place shortly after the renewal of the Parliament and is followed by ordinary sessions.

The Saint-Gilles building, a place steeped in history and with high heritage value, has been hosting the work of the Parliament of Wallonia since 1998. It is located at the confluence of the Meuse and Sambre rivers, in the heart of Namur, the capital of Wallonia.



Parliament is made up of representatives elected every five years by universal suffrage of the Walloon population. The members of Parliament are elected according to the system of proportional representation in eleven electoral districts that share the 75 representatives' seats proportionately to the population of each one. Together, they ensure the general interests of Wallonia.



75 PARLIAMENTARY REPRESENTATIVES FOR 3.662.495 WALLOONS



The competencies of the Parliament of Wallonia include the daily life of Walloon men and women: economy, employment, land use, environment, mobility, health, energy, housing, roads, agriculture, tourism, water, municipal and provincial institutions, etc.

8 COMMITTEES THAT DEAL WITH DOZENS OF POWERS CLOSE TO CITIZENS' INTERESTS



A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PROCESS FOR THE ADOPTION OF A DECREE



ORAL QUESTIONS

Each representative can engage or question members of the Wallonia Government orally, in order to remain informed of the policies that are being applied and the way in which they would react should difficulties arise. This is the Parliament's oversight function.



WRITTEN QUESTIONS

As with oral questions, written questions are part of the monitoring of the Government by the Parliament. Covering more technical aspects, they are published every two weeks in the question and answer Bulletin.

YOUR OPINION IS DECISIVE. WE REPRESENT IT.

The Parliament is the place where the representatives elected by the citizens can express themselves. Throughout the legislature, representatives listen to the citizens and defend their values and their projects in the Parliament. Do not hesitate to speak up!



A PARLIAMENT OF QUALITY



The administration of the Parliament, known as the Greffe, has been ISO 9001 certified in quality management for all of its services since 2009. The Registry is also ISO 14001 certified (environmental management) for both of its locations and ISO 27001 (management of information security) for all of its services.

AN INTERNATIONAL PARLIAMENT



By virtue of Declaration n°51 of the Kingdom of Belgium concerning national parliaments, annexed to the Lisbon Treaty, the Parliament of Wallonia is acting, in as far as its competencies are concerned, on an equal basis with the national parliaments in the functioning of the European Union.

The Parliament is an active member of the Interregional Parliamentary Council, the Parliament of the Great Region, of the Benelux Interparliamentary Assembly and of the Conference of European Regional Legislative Assemblies.

AN OPEN PARLIAMENT



The Parliament is open to all those who wish to better understand its work. Most of the meetings are public and the Saint-Gilles building which has great heritage can be visited. Each year, more than 6,000 citizens of all ages come to the Parliament of Wallonia.



YOUR PARLIAMENT

MEET YOUR MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT

Your representatives in Parliament want to hear what you think: www.parlement-wallonie.be/vos-elus

CONTRIBUTE TO THE PROCEEDINGS

You can:

- submit opinions on decrees and draft resolutions
- express concerns by depositing petitions
- participating in the drafting of a decree first hand in complete transparency, with the members of parliament, via the "Un décret par tous, un décret pour tous" platform

So make your voice heard: www.parlement-wallonie.be/vous-faire-entendre

Parliament may also set up a deliberative committee made up of ten MPs and thirty citizens drawn by lot to debate a specific issue of general interest and draw up proposals for recommendations

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