Members' Attendance in the House of Assembly

Section 13 of the House of Assembly Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act requires that a Member (excluding the Premier, the Leader of the Official Opposition and the Leader of a Third Party) attend the House of Assembly when it is sitting, but outlines acceptable reasons for a Member's absence, such as:

- sickness of the Member;
- adoption, pregnancy or parental leave as established by directive;
- a serious illness related to the Member's family;
- bereavement;
- attendance at a meeting of a committee of the House of Assembly, the Management Commission or a committee of the Commission;
- attendance to duties as a Member of a caucus, attendance to constituency business, or attendance to ministerial duties; and
- other circumstances as approved by the Speaker.

By January 31 of each year, a Member is required to file with the Clerk a declaration under oath or affirmation of his or her attendance while the House of Assembly was sitting in the previous year. Dates of any absences and an explanation for those absences must be provided. A deduction in the amount of \$200 is made from the Member's salary for each day the Member was absent from a sitting of the House of Assembly for a reason other than those provided for in the legislation.

The following table provides a summary of the attendance of all Members of the House of Assembly, including those who resigned or were elected during the reporting period January 1 to December 31, 2020. The House of Assembly had 41 sitting days during this period. The Summary of Members' Attendance includes Members who were elected to the 49th General Assembly.

Summary of Members' Attendance for the Period January 1 - December 31, 2020

Member	District	Approved Absences	Other Absences
Ball, Dwight	Humber – Gros Morne	0	0
Bennett, Derek	Lewisporte - Twillingate	1	0
Bragg, Derrick	Fogo Island – Cape Freels	0	0
Brazil, David J	Conception Bay East - Bell Island	0	0
Brown, Jordan	Labrador West	0	1
Byrne, Gerry	Corner Brook	0	0
Coady, Siobhan	St. John's West	0	0
Coffin, Alison	St. John's East - Quidi Vidi	0	0
Conway Ottenheimer, Helen	Harbour Main	1	0
Crocker, Steve	Carbonear - Trinity-Bay de Verde	0	0
Crosbie, Ches	Windsor Lake	0	0
Davis, Bernard	Virginia Waters - Pleasantville	0	0
Dempter, Lisa	Cartwright-L'Anse Au Clair	0	0
Dinn, James	St. John's Centre	0	0
Dinn, Paul	Topsail - Paradise	0	0
Dwyer, Jeffrey	Placentia West - Bellevue	1	0
Evans, Lela	Torngat Mountains	0	1
Forsey, Pleaman	Exploits	0	0
Furey, Andrew	Humber – Gros Morne	0	0
Gambin-Walsh, Sheryl	Placentia-St. Mary's	0	0
Haggie, John	Gander	0	0
Haley, Carol Anne	Burin – GrandBank	3	0
Joyce, Edward	Humber - Bay of Islands	2	0

Lane, Paul	Mount Pearl - Southlands	1	0
Lester, Jim	Mount Pearl - North	0	0
Loveless, Elvis	Fortune Bay - Cape La Hune	1	0
Mitchelmore, Christopher	St. Barb – L'Anse aux Meadows	8	0
O'Driscoll, Loyola	Ferryland	4	0
Osborne, Thomas	Waterford Valley	0	0
Pardy, Craig	Bonavista	0	0
Parrott, Lloyd	Terra Nova	0	0
Parsons, Andrew	Burgeo - La Poile	10	0
Parsons, Kevin	Cape St. Francis	0	0
Parsons, Pamela	Harbour Grace – Port de Grave	1	0
Petten, Barry	Conception Bay South	0	0
Reid, Scott M	St. George's - Humber	0	0
Stoodley, Sarah	Mount Scio	3	0
Tibbs, Christopher	Grand Falls-Windsor - Buchans	0	0
Trimper, Perry	Lake Melville	0	0
Wakeham, Tony	Stephenville - Port au Port	0	0
Warr, Brian	Baie Verte – Green Bay	1	0