

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, 2016. The House of Assembly had 57 sitting days during this period. The Summary of Members' Attendance includes Members of the 48th General Assembly.

Summary of Members' Attendance for the Period January 1 - December 31, 2016

| Member | District | Approved Absences | Other Absences |
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| Dwight Ball | Humber – Gros Morne | 4 | 0 |
| Cathy Bennett | Windsor Lake | 2 | 0 |
| Derek Bennett | Lewisporte - Twillingate | 5 | 0 |
| Derrick Bragg | Fogo Island – Cape Freels | 1 | 0 |
| David Brazil | Conception Bay East - Bell Island | 1 | 0 |
| Mark Browne | Placentia West - Bellevue | 0 | 0 |
| Gerry Byrne | Corner Brook | 8 | 0 |
| Siobhan Coady | St. John's West | 4 | 0 |
| Steve Crocker | Carbonear-Trinity-Bay de Verde | 5 | |
| Bernard Davis | Virginia Waters - Pleasantville | 0 | 0 |
| Paul Davis | Topsail - Paradise | 4 | 0 |
| Jerry Dean | Exploits | 0 | 0 |
| Lisa Dempster | Cartwright-L'Anse Au Clair | 3 | 0 |
| Randy Edmunds | Torngat Mountains | 5 | 0 |
| John Finn | Stephenville – Port au Port | 1 | 0 |
| Sherry Gambin Walsh | Placentia – St. Mary's | 1 | 0 |
| John Haggie | Gander | 4 | 0 |
| Carol Anne Haley | Burin – Grand Bank | 1 | 0 |
| Allan Hawkins | Grand Falls-Windsor - Buchans | 1 | 0 |
| Colin Holloway | Terra Nova | 0 | 0 |
| Keith Hutchings | Ferryland | 0 | 1 |
| Eddie Joyce | Humber - Bay of Islands | 0 | 0 |
| Steve Kent | Mount Pearl North | 2 | 0 |

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| Neil King | Bonavista | 2 | 0 |
| Dale Kirby | Mount Scio | 0 | 0 |
| Paul Lane | Mount Pearl - Southlands | 0 | 0 |
| Graham Letto | Labrador West | 0 | 0 |
| Lorraine Michael | St. John's East - Quidi Vidi | 4 | 0 |
| Christopher Mitchelmore | St. Barb – L'Anse aux Meadows | 4 | 0 |
| Tom Osborne | Waterford Valley | 1 | 0 |
| Elizabeth Parsley | Harbor Main | 3 | 0 |
| Andrew Parsons | Burgeo - La Poile | 1 | 0 |
| Kevin Parsons | Cape St. Francis | 0 | 0 |
| Pam Parsons | Harbour Grace – Port de Grave | 0 | 0 |
| Tracey Perry | Fortune Bay - Cape La Hune | 4 | 0 |
| Barry Petten | Conception Bay South | 0 | 0 |
| Scott Reid | St. George's – Humber | 0 | 0 |
| Gerry Rogers | St. John's Centre | 0 | 0 |
| Perry Trimper | Lake Melville | 0 | 0 |
| Brian Warr | Baie Verte – Green Bay | 0 | 0 |