

The French Fifth Republic is a hybrid system, with characteristics of both a parliamentary and a presidential system. Executive power is held by the President of the Republic and the Prime Minister. The Prime Minister, appointed by the President of the Republic, is the head of government. The Prime Minister and the government are accountable to Parliament, which exercises legislative power in France. In France, Parliament is bicameral. It includes:

- The National Assembly, composed of 577 deputies elected for a five-year term by direct universal suffrage in a two-round, first-past-the-post system.
- The Senate, composed of 348 Senators elected for a six-year term by indirect universal suffrage, by a college of electors. Half the Senate's seats are renewed every three years.

Among the differences between these two chambers, two are particularly noteworthy. Firstly, in case of disagreement between the Assembly and the Senate on a text of law, the government can give the final word to the National Assembly. Secondly, unlike the National Assembly, the Senate cannot be dissolved by the government.

The National Assembly and the Senate each have eight permanent parliamentary committees, covering different areas of competence: economy, defense, health, finance, foreign affairs, etc. Deputies and Senators are equally divided between these eight permanent committees. One of the main functions of these committees is to prepare the legislative work in public session. With a few exceptions, bills and proposed legislation are debated in public session on the basis of the text adopted by the corresponding standing committee. However, while parliamentarians may be more involved in certain areas of expertise, depending on which parliamentarians' committee they belong to, laws are adopted in plenary session, i.e. voted on by all parliamentarians.

Each bill (submitted by the government) or proposed law (submitted by one or more parliamentarians) is voted on successively by the two assemblies. The legislative procedure is generally characterized by a back-and-forth movement of the text of the law between the two assemblies. Each of the two assemblies is then responsible for examining and, if necessary, modifying (amending) the text adopted by the other assembly. This passage from one assembly to another to reach a consensus is known as the "parliamentary shuttle". When a text is adopted in identical terms, it becomes law.

Tobacco taxation is discussed each year as part of the Social Security Financing Bill (PLFSS). As a bill, the PLFSS is submitted by the government to the National Assembly, and the text is then examined by the Senate. All parliamentarians are free to submit amendments on tobacco taxation. As with any other legislation, all parliamentarians are required to vote on the PLFSS, and therefore on tobacco taxation.

<b>Code</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>Gender</b>	<b>Region</b>	<b>Prof. sector</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Political commission</b>	<b>Political leaning</b>	<b>Int. modality</b>
<b>1</b>	>65	M*	NB***	Medical sector	Deputy	Health	Centre	Videoc onf.
<b>2</b>	55-65	F**	NB	Education	Deputy	Economy	Centre	Videoc onf.
<b>3</b>	45-55	F	Border er	Ministerial officer	Deputy	Finance	Left	Videoc onf.
<b>4</b>	>65	M	NB	Engine er	Deputy	Finance	Centre	Phone
<b>5</b>	55-65	F	NB	Education	Deputy	Health	Centre	Videoc onf.
<b>6</b>	55-65	M	NB	Politician	Senator	Finance	Centre	Videoc onf.
<b>7</b>	55-65	M	NB	Education	Senator	Finance	Left	Videoc onf.
<b>8</b>	45-55	F	NB	Entrepreneurship	Deputy	Finance	Centre	Videoc onf.
<b>9</b>	>65	F	NB	Private sector	Senator	Health	Right	Videoc onf.
<b>10</b>	45-55	M	NB	Private sector	Deputy	Sus. development	Centre	Phone
<b>11</b>	45-55	M	NB	Politician	Senator	Health	Right	Face-to-face
<b>12</b>	45-55	M	NB	Public sector	Senator	Finance	Left	Videoc onf.
<b>13</b>	35-45	F	NB	Private sector	Deputy	Finance	Centre	Videoc onf.
<b>14</b>	>65	F	NB	Agriculture	Senator	Health	Right	Videoc onf.
<b>15</b>	55-65	M	NB	Agriculture	Senator	Economy	Left	Phone
<b>16</b>	55-65	M	Border er	Agriculture	Senator	Economy	Left	Videoc onf.
<b>17</b>	>65	F	Border er	Medical sector	Senator	Health	Centre	Videoc onf.
<b>18</b>	55-65	M	Border er	Private sector	Senator	Health	Centre	Videoc onf.
<b>19</b>	35-45	F	NB	Engine er	Senator	Finance	Right	Phone

<b>20</b>	55-65	F	NB	Civil servant	Senator	Health	Left	Videoc onf.
<b>21</b>	55-65	M	Border er	Politici an	Senator	EU affairs	Centre	Videoc onf.
<b>22</b>	>65	M	Border er	Unkno wn	Senator	Finance	Centre	Phone
<b>23</b>	>65	M	NB	Engine er	Senator	Sus. develop ment	Left	Videoc onf.
<b>24</b>	55-65	F	NB	Law	Senator	Finance	Centre	Videoc onf.
<b>25</b>	55-65	M	NB	Private sector	Senator	Finance	Centre	Phone
*Male **Female ***Non borderer								

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