

Penang Assembly To Sit Until May 10
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GEORGE TOWN, April 30 (Bernama) -- The Penang state assembly is scheduled to sit from Wednesday to May 10 and consider 68 oral questions, 403 written questions, one bill and four motions.

Speaker Datuk Abdul Halim Hussain said one of the motions is a proposal by Chief Minister Lim Guan Eng for the Standing Orders Committee to bring complete proposals and amendments to the meetings.

"The motion is to enable more time for feedback from the assemblymen and state executive councillors," he told reporters after the opening of the first meeting of the fifth session of the 12th state assembly, here.

Abdul Halim said Deputy Chief Minister I Datuk Mansor Othman would table a motion calling on the Election Commission to clean up the electoral rolls in a clean, fair and independent manner and another on the election of senators.

One of the motions would be on the appointment of an opposition elected representative as chairman of the Public Accounts Committee, as practised by Commonwealth countries, he said.

Abdul Halim said the period for oral questions has been shortened from three hours to 90 minutes daily to enable more questions to be answered.

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