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D. C. LAM Lieutenant Governor

CANADA: PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom, Canada and Her Other Realms and Territories, Oueen, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith

To Our Faithful Members Elected to Serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of British Columbia, at Our City of Victoria — Greeting

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS We are desirous and resolved, as soon as may be to meet Our People of Our Province of British Columbia, and to have their advice in Our Legislature;

Now Know YE, that for divers causes and considerations and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving subjects, We have thought fit to hereby convoke, and by these presents enjoin you, and each of you, that on Monday, the fourteenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-four at two o'clock in the afternoon, you meet Us in Our said Legislature or Parliament, of Our said Province, at Our City of Victoria, FOR THE DISPATCH OF BUSINESS, to treat, do, act, and conclude upon those things which, in Our Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, by the Common Council of Our said Province may, by the favour of God, be ordained.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of Our Province to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS, the Honourable DAVID C. LAM, Lieutenant Governor of Our Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our Province, this twenty-fourth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ninety-four, and in the forty-third year of Our Reign.

By Command.

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OF THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

SESSION 1994

Monday, March 14, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by the Speaker.

This being the first day of the third meeting of the Thirty-Fifth Parliament of the Province of British Columbia for the dispatch of business, pursuant to a Proclamation of the Honourable DAVID C. LAM, Lieutenant Governor of the Province, dated the 24th day of February, 1994, the members took their seats.

The Honourable DAVID C. LAM, Lieutenant Governor of the Province, having entered the House, took his seat on the Throne, and was pleased to deliver the following gracious Speech:

Honourable Speaker, Members of the Legislative Assembly, Ladies and Gentlemen:

In opening this Third Session of the Thirty-Fifth Parliament of British Columbia, I extend greetings on behalf of our Sovereign, Her Majesty the Queen. And I take this opportunity to say how much we will welcome Her Majesty's visit to British Columbia this August when Victoria hosts the fifteenth Commonwealth Games.

Honourable Speaker and Members ... there is a saying, "Times change, and we change with them." Around the world, change has become the watchword for this historic decade. Here, in British Columbia, the winds of change swept in a new government, elected to lead our province in a new direction.

In the last two-and-a-half years, we have indeed seen a profound change in provincial government... especially with regard to fiscal policy. Spending growth has been cut in half, and the budget deficit has been reduced by one billion dollars. Conservative estimates project a balanced budget by 1996, and a practical plan for managing government debt will soon be put into effect.

In order to protect the pocketbooks of British Columbians and provide the highest level of service to the public, the government has moved to further eliminate wasteful spending and control administrative costs, realizing significant savings without sacrificing quality in education, health care and other vital social services the people of British Columbia expect and deserve.

Our fiscal house in order

By putting our province's fiscal house in order, this government has made an important contribution to sustained economic growth. In 1993, employment in British Columbia increased at a rate of two-point-nine per cent, three times faster than the rest of Canada. Last year, new capital investment grew at a rate of eight-point-four per cent, more than five times the national average. Our province can take pride in the fastest growing economy in the country. One of this government's top priorities is to continue this record of success.

This has been a period of sustained and meaningful change, and despite the inevitable difficulties, British Columbia today stands on a firm foundation. Now, let us look to the future. As we prepare for the twenty-first century, we face challenges that test our ingenuity and resolve.

- Record population growth will put more pressure on our urban communities, our environment and government services.
- Discriminatory reductions in federal transfer payments to B.C. from the new government in Ottawa would be counterproductive to our budget process and could harm our economy.
- Re-structuring our forest industry, the heart of British Columbia's economy, will require close and continued co-operation between government and the forest sector.
- Land-use disputes must be settled in a fair and timely manner to protect jobs, our environment and treaty negotiations with First Nations.
- New rules governing international trade present an excellent opportunity to expand our export industries and further cultivate ties with Asia Pacific countries, as well as our neighbours in North America.
- B.C. businesses will need well-trained workers to expand and compete in the global economy. We must place greater emphasis on skills training to prepare our workforce for tomorrow's jobs.
- Crime is a growing concern across our province. We must take steps to prevent crime and make our communities safer from violence, drugs and gangs.
- Restoring the integrity of our social safety net is a pressing concern. We must provide for
 those who are truly in need and help people on welfare back to work, while enforcing strict
 regulations that curb fraud.
- Our generation has a solemn responsibility to preserve British Columbia's magnificent natural heritage. Expanding our provincial parks and protecting wilderness areas has been, and will continue to be, a major commitment of this government.
- The well-being of every citizen depends on maintaining stability in our health care system. This government is forging a new partnership with care providers and patients to ensure an even greater share of every health dollar is spent directly on medical services.

The task before us is great, but so too is the spirit of British Columbia. This government stands ready to meet the challenges ahead, and asks every member of this legislative assembly to join with them in building a more just and more prosperous province.

The government's four priorities

To accomplish our goals, this government has established four key priorities to develop a strong and sustainable provincial economy, and ensure that citizens and communities have the opportunity to shape their lives and the issues affecting them.

- Investing in long-term job creation and economic growth.
- Skills training for the twenty-first century.
- Revitalizing our forest sector.
- Sound fiscal management and fair taxation.

The budget this government will propose for the coming year reflects a major commitment to these priorities ... priorities that put the people of British Columbia first.

In addition, this government will build on the significant policy initiatives and positive changes introduced in the legislative sessions of the past two years. Continued energy and resources will focus on action to re-establish public confidence in our social safety net, improve the quality of public education, work towards equality for women, forge a new relationship with aboriginal peoples, carry out responsible land use planning, and ensure medicare keeps up with our changing needs.

Investing in long-term job creation and economic growth

British Columbia must create jobs with a future. We must also boost our regional economies.

This government is investing in British Columbia's regions to expand and diversify our economy for the future. BC21, the government's major initiative introduced in last year's budget, will make new public sector investments in our province's infrastructure. This means construction work in the short run, and in the long-term, will make our province a better, more productive place to do business — and that means jobs.

By spending BC21 tax dollars wisely in education and health care facilities, and in transportation, communications and municipal infrastructure, we can create a climate which encourages long-term private sector investment and jobs.

This government looks to invest these tax dollars cost-effectively and to ensure benefits to B.C. communities include good local jobs and training for young people.

To diversify our economy, we are promoting small business, developing export trade, encouraging value-added manufacturing, and making venture capital available to entrepreneurs with innovative ideas. As British Columbia evolves into a more knowledge-based economy, we must increase our investment in advanced research to attract high-tech industries like telecommunications and biotechnology. This government will be building a new partnership with the private sector to help expand these industries and construct B.C.'s electronic highway.

Families will continue to receive support from this government as it expands child care services for children with 7,500 new spaces in the next three years. This will enable more parents to take full advantage of job or training opportunities.

Skills training for the twenty-first century

A strong economy requires a highly-skilled, productive workforce. The Premier has placed particular importance on educating our children and re-educating workers so British Columbia can compete successfully in a global economy. To that end, this government has increased education funding more than any other province in Canada.

In order to build on our initiatives to improve public education, including caps on administrative costs and funding new classroom computers, this government is completing changes to K-12 education with an emphasis on basic educational skills students need to succeed in the working world. We are also constructing new schools in areas of rapid population growth. This government will continue to demand the highest standards of performance and accountability for students, teachers and administrators to better prepare our children for the challenges ahead.

The new ministry of Skills, Training and Labour has been established, and in the coming months will introduce initiatives to strengthen skills training in British Columbia. These will include a new emphasis on high quality skills training, community-based training to help bridge the gap between social assistance and work, and new apprenticeship and work experience opportunities to better prepare high school students for the world of work.

This government also supports education and training outreach for women, aboriginal people, visible minorities, and persons with disabilities. On the horizon, a provincial learning network will interconnect schools, libraries, colleges and universities to enhance skills training throughout the province. The granting of four year degrees by B.C.'s colleges and institutes will also be expanded in this session as part of the government's new direction to provide more post-secondary choices for young people.

Revitalizing our forest sector

Perhaps the most complex and demanding issue facing this government concerns our province's vast forests, which have provided a good living and a way of life for generations of British Columbians. Management of our forests by past governments and industry without regard for long-term sustainability has jeopardized future jobs and communities.

For the past year, the Forest Sector Strategy Committee has brought together representatives from industry, labour, municipalities, and First Nations, as well as environmental advocates and academics. This Committee is in the process of formulating a comprehensive strategy that will enhance the economic and social benefits derived from our province's forests.

This government will be presenting to you a comprehensive set of measures designed to ensure future jobs and the sustainability of communities. This will include major investments in the forest and forest lands, in forest workers and in their communities, all built on recognizing economic, ecological, recreation and cultural values. As a result, we will achieve significant gains in job creation, training and labour adjustment, value-added manufacturing, long-term timber supply, environmental values and the participation of First Nations.

Commission on the Resources and Environment has submitted its Vancouver Island Land Use Plan to the government for consideration. The Premier has indicated land use changes will not proceed until economic and social impacts can be dealt with satisfactorily. Your government will ensure that workers and their families have a real opportunity to stay in their communities and pursue their life hopes and aspirations at home.

As promised, the government will introduce B.C.'s first Forest Practices Code this session. This landmark Code will make better forest practices the law in our province and include stronger enforcement and tougher penalties.

Sound fiscal management and fair taxation

The pocketbook of every British Columbian is a priority of paramount importance to this government. By pursuing a fair, progressive and responsible fiscal policy, this government has brought spending under control and lowered the deficit by one billion dollars, while maintaining vital public services. In addition, this government will balance the budget by 1996, and will soon put in place a plan to manage provincial debt.

By eliminating bureaucratic waste whenever and wherever we find it, this government is fulfilling its pledge to do more with less. This has direct bearing on issues like restoring public confidence in our social safety net.

Social programs are a vital part of the British Columbian economy and society. Programs such as medicare, social assistance, unemployment insurance, public education and a minimum wage define who we are as a society and how we take care of each other. They help us to cope with the unpredictable crises of life such as the loss of a job or ill health.

Today Canadians are discussing the future of our social programs. Too often this discussion focuses only on whether we can afford them. Our goal now must be to ensure they remain relevant, effective and accessible. It costs us all when people fall through the social safety net... in poor health, lost potential, and dependency. This government believes that the people of B.C. can't afford to lose our social safety net.

Consequently, this government will ensure British Columbians lead in shaping the future of our social programs. The Premier will sponsor a Forum on New Opportunities for Working and Living which will bring the people of B.C. into the discussion. Together we will design the future of our social safety net and the security we provide for all British Columbians.

Renewal of our health care system also depends on our ability to manage costs, and is essential if we are to meet the medical needs of a changing population. This government's new initiatives will include delivering health services closer to home, encouraging preventative care by British Columbians, and limiting administrative costs to ensure a larger share of each health care dollar is spent directly on medical services.

The average taxpayer is the true beneficiary of this government's balanced approach to fiscal management. A three year tax freeze, combined with increased taxenforcement, and pressure on Ottawa for our share of federal revenue, demonstrates this government's commitment to tax fairness.

A firm foundation for the future

Honourable Speaker and Members...our province has arrived at a turning point. The people of British Columbia have demanded change, and this government has done its best to meet the challenge. Our record of success in fiscal management speaks for itself. Maintaining services people depend on, like education and health care, while reducing the budget deficit, means we have laid a firm foundation for the future.

As British Columbia has grown from a frontier outpost to the fastest growing economy in Canada, the tradition of neighbour helping neighbour has remained strong.

Like those who came before us, we must now work together to build a sturdy home on this strong foundation. A home where hard working men and women can raise their families. A home where people live in peace with one another and in harmony with nature. A home where all are welcome and no one is turned away from the table.

British Columbia is our home. We enjoy a special quality of life unique to our province, and this government is determined to do its very best to protect this land we love and the people we represent.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

The Speaker reported that, in order to prevent mistakes, she had obtained a copy of His Honour's Speech.

On the motion of the Hon. *C. Gablemann* (Attorney General), Bill (No. 1) intituled *An Act to Ensure the Supremacy of Parliament* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of the Hon. G. Clark, seconded by Mr. Farrell-Collins, it was Ordered —

That *Emery O. Barnes*, Member for Vancouver-Burrard Electoral District, be appointed Deputy Speaker for this Session of the Legislative Assembly.

On the motion of the Hon. G. Clark, seconded by Mr. Farrell-Collins, it was Ordered —

That *Gretchen Brewin*, Member for Victoria-Beacon Hill Electoral District, be appointed Deputy Chair of the Committee of the Whole for this Session of the Legislative Assembly.

On the motion of the Hon. C. Gabelmann (Attorney General) it was Ordered —

That the Votes and Proceedings of this House be printed, being first perused by the Speaker, and that she do appoint the printing thereof, and that no person but such as she shall appoint do presume to print the same.

The Hon. *M. F. Harcourt* (Premier) moved that the Select Standing Committees of this House, for the present Session, be appointed for the following purposes:

- 1. Aboriginal Affairs;
- 2. Justice, Constitutional Affairs and Intergovernmental Relations;
- 3. Education, Culture and Multiculturalism;
- 4. Economic Development, Science, Labour, Training and Technology;
- 5. Environment and Tourism;
- 6. Finance, Crown Corporations and Government Services;
- 7. Health and Social Services;
- 8. Agriculture and Fisheries;
- 9. Forests, Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources;

- 10. Transportation, Municipal Affairs and Housing;
- 11. Women's Equality;
- 12. Public Accounts;
- 13. Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills;

which said Committees shall severally be empowered to examine and inquire into all such matters and things as shall be referred to them by this House, and to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon, with power to send for persons, papers and records, and that a Special Committee be appointed to prepare and report with all convenient speed lists of members to compose the above Select Standing Committees of this House under Standing Order 68 (1), the Committee to be composed of the Hon. *G. Clark* (Convener), the Hon. *J. MacPhail*, Messrs. *Dosanjh* and *Janssen*, Ms. *Hammell*, and Ms. *O'Neill*, Messrs. *Farrell-Collins* and *Hurd*.

Mr. Mitchell moved an amendment that the motion be amended as follows:

That after the words "following purposes:" numbers 1 through 13 be deleted and the following substituted therefore:

- 1. Crown Corporations.
- 2. Public Accounts.
- 3. Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills; and that Standing Order 68 (1) is hereby amended to so reflect; said Committees to have the powers conferred by section 69 of the *Constitution Act*.

A debate arose.

The House divided.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:

Serwa Mitchell	Wilson	Tyabji	H. De Jong
		Nays—68	
Petter	Giesbrecht	Conroy	Tanner
Sihota	Miller	Doyle	Jarvis
Marzari	Smallwood	Chisholm	Anderson
Pement	Cull	Dalton	Warnke
Priddy	Harcourt	Reid	K. Jones
Edwards	Gabelmann	Campbell	M. de Jong
Cashore	Clark	Farrell-Collins	Symons
Zirnhelt	MacPhail	Hurd	Fox
Charbonneau	Ramsey	Gingell	Neufeld
O'	Barlee	Stephens	Boone
Neill	Barnes	Weisgerber	Hartley
Garden	Pullinger	Hanson	Lali
Perry	Janssen	Jackson	Schreck
Hagen	Evans	Lovick	Copping
Dosanjh	Randall	Simpson	Brewin
Hammell	Beattie	Streifel	Krog
B. Jones	Farnworth	Lorď	Kasper
Lortie			•

Ms. *Tyabji* moved an amendment that the motion be amended as follows:

That after the words "following purposes:" numbers 1 through 13 be deleted and the following substituted therefore:

- 1. Water Diversion, Control and Export.
- 2. Public Accounts.
- 3. Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills;

and that Standing Order 68 (1) is hereby amended to so reflect; said Committees to have the powers conferred by section 69 of the *Constitution Act*.

A debate arose.

The amendment was negatived, on division.

Mr. Wilson moved an amendment that the motion be amended as follows:

That after the words "Constitution Act:" add number 14:

1. Gaming for Profit.

and that Standing Order 68 (1) is hereby amended to so reflect; said Committees to have the powers conferred by section 69 of the *Constitution Act*.

A debate arose.

The House divided.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:

		Yeas—25	
Perry Chisholm Dalton Reid Campbell Farrell-Collins Hurd	Gingell Stephens Weisgerber Hanson Serwa Mitchell	Wilson Tyabji Tanner Jarvis Anderson Warnke	K. Jones M. de Jong Symons Fox Neufeld H. De Jong
		Nays—48	
Petter	Dosanjh	Ramsey	Lovick
Sihota	Hammell	Barlee	Simpson
Marzari	B. Jones	Barnes	Streifel
Pement	Lortie	Pullinger	Lord
Priddy	Giesbrecht	Janssen	Boone
Edwards	Miller	Evans	Hartley
Cashore	Smallwood	Randall	Lali
Zirnhelt	Cull	Beattie	Schreck
Charbonneau	Harcourt	Farnworth	Copping
O'	Gabelmann	Conroy	Brewin
Neill	Clark	Doyle	Krog
Garden Hagen	MacPhail	Jackson	Kasper

Motion agreed to.

And then the House adjourned at 3.10 p.m.

Tuesday, March 15, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Hartley.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Mr. Garden moved, seconded by Ms. Copping —

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, in Session assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious Speech which Your Honour has addressed to us at the opening of the present Session.

A debate arose.

On the motion of Mr. Campbell, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 10.55 a.m.

Tuesday, March 15, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

The Hon. *D. Zirnhelt* (Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

David C. Lam

Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 4) intituled *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Amendment Act*, 1994 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 14, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. *E. Cull* (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 6) intituled *Insurance Amendment Act*, 1994 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 14, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. *E. Cull* (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 7) intituled *Financial Administration Amendment Act*, 1994 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 14, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. D. Miller (Minister of Skills, Training and Labour) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 2) intituled *Architects Amendment Act*, 1994 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 14, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The Hon. G. Clark advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

On the motion of the Hon. D. Zirnhelt, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5.40 p.m.

Wednesday, March 16, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Garden.

On the motion of Mr. *Schreck*, Bill (No. M201) intituled *Lobbying Disclosure Act 1994* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Mr. *Evans*, Bill (No. M202) intituled *Whistle Blowers' Protection Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Mr. *Mitchell*, Bill (No. M203) intituled *An Act to Elect the Speaker by Closed Ballot* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Ms. *Lord*, Bill (No. M204) intituled *Public Participation Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Mr. *Lortie*, Bill (No. M205) intituled *Retailing of Insurance Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Ms. *Hammell*, Bill (No. M206) intituled *An Act to Designate a Provincial Heritage Site at the Inaugural Plantation at Green Timbers* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Mr. *Krog*, Bill (No. M207) intituled *Libel and Slander Act Amendment Act*, 1994 was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *E. Cull* (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) tabled the Report of the Vancouver Stock Exchange & Securities Regulation Commission.

Mr. *Mitchell* asked leave, pursuant to Standing Order 35, to move adjournment of the House to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, the confidence of the Legislative Assembly in the Chair.

The Speaker ruled that the matter did not fall within the guidelines for urgency, and drew the member's attention to Standing Order 35 (10) d.

Mr. *Farrell-Collins* sought leave to move pursuant to Standing Order 37 that the member for West Vancouver-Garibaldi now be heard.

The Speaker ruled the motion out of order on the grounds that Standing Order 37 was not applicable to the circumstances presently before the House.

Ms. *Tyabji* asked leave to move a motion of confidence in the Chair.

The Speaker ruled it was not competent for the member to seek leave to move the motion unless the House was embarked on the business of motions.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for Motion No. 1 on the Order Paper.

Mr. *Mitchell* rose on a point of order namely that the motion anticipated Bill (No. M205), which had been introduced today.

The Speaker ruled that the rule against anticipation did not apply in the case at hand.

Mr. *Farrell-Collins* rose on a point of order, namely, that the motion purporting to amend Standing Order 11 was out of order, as Standing Order 11 had been repealed.

The Speaker ruled that the intent of the motion was to insert a new Standing Order 11 and the motion was in order.

1 The Hon. *M. F. Harcourt* moved — That the Standing Orders of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia be amended as follows:

Speaker

- 11. (a) (1) The House at its first Session of a Parliament, and at any other time as determined pursuant to Standing Order 11 (2) shall make the election of Speaker the first order of business, which shall not be interrupted by any other proceedings.
- (2) Where there is, or is to be, a vacancy in the Office of Speaker whether at the opening of a Parliament, or because the incumbent of that office has indicated his or her intention to resign the Office of Speaker, or for any other reason, the House shall proceed to elect one of its Members to be Speaker.
 - (3) No Minister of the Crown shall be eligible for election to the Office of Speaker.
- (4) The election of a Speaker shall take precedence over all other business and no Motion of any kind shall be accepted, and the House shall continue to sit, if necessary, beyond its ordinary hour of daily adjournment, until a Speaker is elected and is installed in the Chair and if the House has continued to sit beyond its ordinary hour of daily adjournment, the Speaker shall thereupon adjourn the House until the next sitting, unless otherwise ordered.
- 11. (b) (1) For the purpose of electing a Speaker, the Clerk of the House, or in the absence of the Clerk, the Deputy Clerk or a Clerk Assistant, shall administer the election process and shall preside during the election of a Speaker.

- (2) During the election of a Speaker, the Clerk of the House, Deputy Clerk or Clerk Assistant shall not be permitted to entertain any question of privilege or point of order.
 - (3) During the election of a Speaker, there shall be no debate.
- 11. (c) The election of a Speaker shall be conducted by secret ballot as follows:
- (1) Any Member who does not wish to be considered for election to the Office of Speaker shall advise the Clerk of the House in writing no later than 6:00 o'clock p.m. on the day preceding the day in which the election of a Speaker is expected to take place.
- (2) Before the taking of the first ballot, the Clerk of the House shall fix in the lobby an alphabetical list of candidates and shall distribute that list to Members present in the Chamber.
- (3) Members present in the Chamber shall be provided with ballot papers by the Clerk of the House.
- (4) Members wishing to indicate their choice for the Office of Speaker shall print the first and last name of a Member on the ballot paper and shall deposit their completed ballot papers in a box provided for that purpose at the Table.
- (5) Once all Members wishing to do so have deposited their ballot paper, the vote shall be counted by the Clerks at the Table who, for this purpose, shall retire from the Chamber. The Clerk of the House, being satisfied as to the accuracy of the count, shall destroy the ballots together with all records of the number of ballots cast for each candidate, and all those persons present will in no way divulge the number of ballots cast for any candidate.
- (6) If one candidate receives a majority of the votes cast, the Clerk of the House shall announce in the Chamber the name of that Member as Speaker.
- (7) If no candidate receives a majority of the votes cast, the name of the candidate having the least number of total votes shall be excluded from subsequent ballots.
- (8) If every candidate receives the same number of votes, no name shall be excluded from the next ballot.
- (9) For each subsequent ballot, the Clerk of the House shall prepare an alphabetical list of candidates and affix that list in the lobbies, and distribute it to Members present in the Chamber.
- (10) Subsequent ballots shall be conducted in the manner prescribed above, and the balloting shall continue, in like manner, until such time as a candidate is elected Speaker upon having received a majority of the votes cast.
- (11) At any time after the result of the first ballot has been declared, but before the commencement of a second or subsequent ballot, a candidate may withdraw from the election, which shall then proceed as if such Member has not been nominated.
- (12) If only one Member stands for election to Office of Speaker, or at any stage a withdrawal pursuant to the above rules leaves only one candidate remaining, the Clerk of the House shall announce in the Chamber that candidate's name and without any vote declare that Member to be elected Speaker.
- (13) The election of a Speaker shall not be considered to be a question of confidence in the Government.

A debate arose.

Mr. Gingell sought to move an amendment to Standing Order 68.

The Speaker ruled that the amendment was not relevant to the matter under discussion.

During the debate, Mr. Weisgerber advised the Chair of his intention to raise a matter of privilege.

Mr. *Anderson* moved the following amendment, namely, That Section 11 (2) of the Motion before this Legislative Assembly be amended by the deletion of the words "or for any other reason" and the insertion of the following therefor:

"the Speaker has passed away or the House has passed a Motion of non-confidence in the Speaker".

The debate on the amendment continued.

By leave, Mr. Mitchell tabled a copy of a letter addressed to Honourable Michael Harcourt, Premier.

The debate on the amendment continued.

On the motion of Mr. Jarvis, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5.53 p.m.

Thursday, March 17, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Doyle.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to Motion 1.

The House divided.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:

Chisholm Dalton Campbell Farrell-Collins Hurd	Gingell Stephens Weisgerber Hanson Serwa	Jarvis Anderson Warnke K. Jones M. de Jong	Symons Fox Neufeld H. De Jong
		Nays—43	
Petter Sihota Marzari Edwards Cashore Zirnhelt O' Neill Garden Perry Hagen Dosanjh	Hammell Lortie Giesbrecht Smallwood Cull Gabelmann Clark MacPhail Ramsey Barnes Pullinger	Janssen Evans Randall Beattie Farnworth Conroy Doyle Wilson Jackson Lovick Simpson	Streifel Lord Boone Hartley Lali Schreck Copping Brewin Krog Kasper

The debate was resumed on the main motion.

On the motion of Mr. Hurd, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 11.57 a.m.

Thursday, March 17, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

On the motion of Mr. *Mitchell*, Bill (No. M208) intituled *An Act to Reduce the Expenditures of Government*, 1994 was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Mr. *Mitchell*, Bill (No. M209) intituled *An Act to Balance the Budget*, 1994 was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on Motion 1.

By leave, the House reverted to presenting petitions.

Mr. Beattie presented a petition.

The debate was resumed on Motion 1.

Mr. Wilson moved an amendment as follows —

Section 11 (2) to read: "Where there is a vacancy in the Office of Speaker whether at the opening of a Parliament, or because the incumbent of that office has indicated his or her intention to resign the Office of Speaker, or for any other reason, the House shall proceed to elect one of its Members to be Speaker."

Motion agreed to.

The debate was resumed on the main motion.

Mr. Warnke moved the following amendment —

That this motion be amended by the insertion of the following: "(14) this Standing Order shall take effect upon the commencement of the 36th Parliament."

The debate on the amendment continued.

The House divided.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:

		Yeas—13	
Chisholm	Stephens	Jarvis	K. Jones
Dalton	Hanson	Anderson	Symons
Farrell-Collins	Serwa	Warnke	H. De Jong
Gingell			
		Nays — 49	
Petter	Lortie	Randall	Streifel
Sihota	Giesbrecht	Beattie	Lord
Marzari	Smallwood	Farnworth	Fox
Priddy	Cull	Conroy	Neufeld
Edwards	Gabelmann	Doyle	Boone
Cashore	Clark	Weisgerber	Hartley
Zirnhelt	MacPhail	Mitchell	Lali
O'	Ramsey	Wilson	Schreck
Neill	Barnes	Tyabji	Copping
Garden	Pullinger	Jackson	Brewin
Perry	Janssen	Lovick	Krog
Hagen	Evans	Simpson	Kasper
Dosanjh		-	-
Hammell			

The debate was resumed on the main motion.

By leave, Mr. Mitchell moved the following two amendments —

That Section 11 (a) (3) be amended by adding the following words after "no debate":

"except as required of the candidates under Section 11 (a) (4)";

and by adding the following Section:

"Section 11 (a) (4): Candidates for Office of the Speaker shall be permitted the opportunity to make a brief address to Members regarding their qualifications for the position."

That Section 11 (b) (5) be amended by adding the following words:

"The ballots shall neither be counted, nor destroyed, without the agreement of scrutineers representing the candidates for Office of the Speaker."

By leave, debate on the amendments proceeded with simultaneously.

The debate on the amendments continued.

The amendments were negatived.

On the motion of Mr. Jarvis, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5.48 p.m.

Friday, March 18, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Janssen.

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. Warnke, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 1 o'clock p.m.

Monday, March 21, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Gingell.

The Hon. *J. Sawicki* (Speaker) made a statement regarding the addition of Mr. *Robert Vaive* as a Table Officer with the Legislative Assembly.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. *Wilson* asked leave, pursuant to Standing Order 35, to move adjournment of the House to discuss a definite matter of public importance, namely, the current status of the Vancouver Island Land Use Plan.

The Hon. G. Clark made a statement.

Mr. Hurd made a statement.

The Speaker stated that she would take the matter under advisement.

By leave, Mr. *Dalton* tabled copies of correspondence regarding the condition of the Upper Levels Highway.

By leave, Mr. *Symons* tabled a copy of the Collective Agreement between Highways Constructors Ltd. and B.C. Highways and Related Construction Council.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on Motion 1, as amended, as follows:

That the Standing Orders of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia be amended as follows:

Speaker

- 11. (a) (1) The House at its first Session of a Parliament, and at any other time as determined pursuant to Standing Order 11 (2) shall make the election of Speaker the first order of business, which shall not be interrupted by any other proceedings.
- (2) Where there is a vacancy in the Office of Speaker whether at the opening of a Parliament, or because the incumbent of that office has indicated his or her intention to resign the Office of Speaker, or for any other reason, the House shall proceed to elect one of its Members to be Speaker.
 - (3) No Minister of the Crown shall be eligible for election to the Office of Speaker.
- (4) The election of a Speaker shall take precedence over all other business and no Motion of any kind shall be accepted, and the House shall continue to sit, if necessary, beyond its ordinary hour of daily adjournment, until a Speaker is elected and is installed in the Chair and if the House has continued to sit beyond its ordinary hour of daily adjournment, the Speaker shall thereupon adjourn the House until the next sitting, unless otherwise ordered.
- 11. (b) (1) For the purpose of electing a Speaker, the Clerk of the House, or in the absence of the Clerk, the Deputy Clerk or a Clerk Assistant, shall administer the election process and shall preside during the election of a Speaker.
- (2) During the election of a Speaker, the Clerk of the House, Deputy Clerk or Clerk Assistant shall not be permitted to entertain any question of privilege or point of order.
 - (3) During the election of a Speaker, there shall be no debate.
- 11. (c) The election of a Speaker shall be conducted by secret ballot as follows:
- (1) Any Member who does not wish to be considered for election to the Office of Speaker shall advise the Clerk of the House in writing no later than 6:00 o'clock p.m. on the day preceding the day in which the election of a Speaker is expected to take place.
- (2) Before the taking of the first ballot, the Clerk of the House shall fix in the lobby an alphabetical list of candidates and shall distribute that list to Members present in the Chamber.
- (3) Members present in the Chamber shall be provided with ballot papers by the Clerk of the House.
- (4) Members wishing to indicate their choice for the Office of Speaker shall print the first and last name of a Member on the ballot paper and shall deposit their completed ballot papers in a box provided for that purpose at the Table.
- (5) Once all Members wishing to do so have deposited their ballot paper, the vote shall be counted by the Clerks at the Table who, for this purpose, shall retire from the Chamber. The Clerk of the House, being satisfied as to the accuracy of the count, shall destroy the ballots together with all records of the number of ballots cast for each candidate, and all those persons present will in no way divulge the number of ballots cast for any candidate.
- (6) If one candidate receives a majority of the votes cast, the Clerk of the House shall announce in the Chamber the name of that Member as Speaker.
- (7) If no candidate receives a majority of the votes cast, the name of the candidate having the least number of total votes shall be excluded from subsequent ballots.
- (8) If every candidate receives the same number of votes, no name shall be excluded from the next ballot.
- (9) For each subsequent ballot, the Clerk of the House shall prepare an alphabetical list of candidates and affix that list in the lobbies, and distribute it to Members present in the Chamber.

- (10) Subsequent ballots shall be conducted in the manner prescribed above, and the balloting shall continue, in like manner, until such time as a candidate is elected Speaker upon having received a majority of the votes cast.
- (11) At any time after the result of the first ballot has been declared, but before the commencement of a second or subsequent ballot, a candidate may withdraw from the election, which shall then proceed as if such Member had not been nominated.
- (12) If only one Member stands for election to Office of Speaker, or at any stage a withdrawal pursuant to the above rules leaves only one candidate remaining, the Clerk of the House shall announce in the Chamber that candidate's name and without any vote declare that Member to be elected Speaker.
 - (13) The election of a Speaker shall not be considered to be a question of confidence in the Government.

Motion, as amended, agreed to on the following division:

	Yeas—54		
Petter	B. Jones	Janssen	Simpson
Marzari	Lortie	Evans	Streifel
Pement	Giesbrecht	Randall	Lord
Priddy	Miller	Beattie	Fox
Edwards	Smallwood	Farnworth	Neufeld
Cashore	Cull	Doyle	H. De Jong
Zirnhelt	Harcourt	Weisgerber	Hartley
Charbonneau	Gabelmann	Serwa	Lali
O'	Clark	Mitchell	Schreck
Neill	MacPhail	Wilson	Copping
Garden	Ramsey	Tyabji	Brewin
Perry	Blencoe	Jackson	Krog
Hagen	Barnes	Lovick	Kasper
Dosanjh	Pullinger		·
Hammell	Ü		
		Nays—13	
Chisholm	Hurd	Jarvis	K. Jones
Reid	Gingell	Anderson	M. de Jong
Campbell	Stephens	Warnke	Symons
Farrell-Collins	•		,

The Speaker made a statement as follows:

Honourable Members:

The motion having passed, I beg the indulgence of the House to make a brief statement.

While it would not normally be appropriate for the Speaker to comment on debates of the House, I want to thank all Honourable Members for the many gracious comments you have made about your current Speaker. I would add that if the media have missed any of them, the Chair would be pleased to provide them with an extra copy of Hansard.

On March 17, 1992, I was honoured to be unanimously elected as your Speaker in the traditional manner that we have used in this House. I do not hesitate in saying it was an overwhelming responsibility to assume as a newly elected Member of this Legislative Assembly.

It is a delicate balance that every Speaker must strive to achieve — between respect for freedom of speech and the need to maintain order, between the rights of the majority to govern and the rights of the minority to be heard. In return, every Speaker must be able to rely upon all Honourable Members to be vigilant in their support of the institution itself. Members' support is the only armour that comes with this unique, exposed position.

As your Speaker these last two years, it is inevitable that I have occasionally fallen into error, to the displeasure of one side of the House or the other. If however, the measure of my time in the Chair is the fairness and impartiality with which I have presided in this Chamber, and the respect that I have shown to this institution, then I am confident history will judge that I have been an honourable servant of this Assembly.

This House has just engaged in almost 10 hours of historic debate on one of the most fundamental aspects of our system of parliamentary democracy, the separation of powers, and with it the essential independence of the Office of the Speaker. If that debate has raised our awareness of the issue and if the decision the House has made has reduced the vulnerability of this Office, we will have made substantial progress.

As always, I have listened carefully to the points of view expressed by all Honourable Members in debate. While the House divided on the particular motion before it, I believe it is important that Members have the earliest possible opportunity to elect their Speaker according to the revised Standing Orders. In order to facilitate such an event, it is my decision to resign from the Office, effective immediately upon adjournment. In view of the circumstances that have given rise to considerable controversy over recent weeks, I further advise that I will not be a candidate in that election.

I know Honourable Members will appreciate these are not decisions I have taken lightly. It has been a great honour and privilege to serve as your Speaker.

I want to thank a group of men and women who seldom receive acknowledgement in this Assembly but whose work is essential to all of us as Members — namely the Officers of the House and the Legislative staff. Their dedication and cooperation have been instrumental in the many positive changes we have made within the Legislative precinct in the past two years and the initiatives I have taken to raise public understanding of what we do in this place.

I also wish to thank my constituents of Burnaby Willingdon, for their ongoing encouragement and support, despite the constraints that sometimes exist when one's Member serves as Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

Finally, I extend my best wishes to your new Speaker, whom I sincerely hope and trust will enjoy your full confidence and support to perform his or her duties in the best traditions of this high office.

This House now being without a Speaker, I do declare it adjourned pending election in accordance with the revised Standing Orders which this House has now adopted.

And then the House adjourned at 4.42 p.m.

The Clerk of the House, Mr. E. George MacMinn, Q.C. announced that the House would meet to elect a Speaker at 10 o'clock a.m.,

Tuesday, March 22, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

A ballot was held regarding the Election of Speaker.

E. George MacMinn, Q.C., Clerk of the House, having declared Emery O. Barnes duly elected, he was then taken out of his place, by the Hon. G. Clark and Mr. Mitchell and conducted to the Chair, where he made the following statement:

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

The House of Assembly has elected me as their Speaker, though I am but little able to fulfil the important duties thus assigned to me. If in the performance of those duties I should at any time fall into error, I pray that the fault be imputed to me and not to the Assembly, whose servant I am, and who, through me, the better to enable them to discharge their duty to the Queen and country, humbly claim all their undoubted rights and privileges, especially that they may have the freedom of speech in their debates and access to your Honour's person at all seasonable times, and that their proceedings may receive from Your Honour the most favourable interpretation.

The Speaker announced that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor was in the precinct and declared a short recess.

The Hon. A. Petter then said:

Mr. Speaker:

I am commanded by His Honour the Lieutenant Governor to declare to you that he freely confides in the duty and attachment of the House of Assembly to Her Majesty's person and Government, and not doubting that their respective proceedings will be conducted with wisdom, temper and prudence, he grants, and upon all occasions will recognize and allow, their constitutional privileges. I am commanded also to assure you that the Assembly shall have ready access to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor upon all seasonable occasions, and that their proceedings, as well as your words and actions, will constantly receive from him the most favourable construction.

Prayers by the Speaker.

The Speaker made a statement expressing his grateful thanks to the House for the great honour they had been pleased to confer upon him by electing him to be their Speaker.

Mr. Weisgerber rose on a matter of privilege relating to the resignation of the former Speaker of the House.

The Hon. G. Clark made representations.

Mr. Farrell-Collins made representations.

The Speaker stated he would take the matter under advisement.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

By leave, on the motion of the Hon. G. Clark, seconded by Mr. Farrell-Collins, it was Ordered —

That Mr. *Dale Lovick*, Member for Nanaimo Electoral District, be appointed Deputy Speaker for this Session of the Legislative Assembly.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

35 Mr. Warnke moved —

"We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, in Session assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious Speech which Your Honour has addressed to us at the opening of the present Session," be amended by adding the following: "... but this assembly regrets that 30 months after the election of this government, the province continues to operate without any economic plan, raising taxes, hiding taxes and increasing our debt as the key to our future, subsequently failing to protect working families and failing to provide long term work opportunities for the citizens of British Columbia; and that this Government continues to assault the education system in this Province thereby jeopardizing the future of our children and, furthermore regrets that this Speech from the Throne provides only platitudes to the taxpayers of the province, calling on them to be courageous in their sacrifice while this government steadfastly refuses to take up the same challenge that it offered to taxpayers."

The debate on the amendment continued.

On the motion of Mr. *Mitchell*, the debate on the amendment was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

The Hon. G. Clark advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

And then the House adjourned at 11.57 a.m.

Tuesday, March 22, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

On the motion of Mr. *Mitchell*, Bill (No. M210) intituled *Parliamentary Calendar Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Mr. *Mitchell*, Bill (No. M211) intituled *Budget Presentation Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion of the Hon. *E. Cull* (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) it was *Ordered* — That this House, at its next sitting, resolve itself for this Session into a Committee to consider the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

The Hon. E. Cull (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) presented:

The Report of the Comptroller General (Interim Financial Statements for the Ten Month Period Ending January 31, 1994) in accordance with section 8 (4) of the *Financial Administration Act*.

The Hon. *E. Cull* (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

David C. Lam

Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith:

Estimates — Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 1995; and

Supplement to the Estimates — Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 1995; and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

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Ordered, that the Message, and the Estimates accompanying same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The Hon. *E. Cull* (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) moved, seconded by the Hon. *P. Priddy* (Minister of Women's Equality), "That the Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

A debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Gingell, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

The Hon. *E. Cull* (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

David C. Lam

Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith: Bills (Nos. 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20) intituled:

Budget Measures Implementation Act, 1994;

Corporation Capital Tax Amendment Act, 1994;

Mineral Tax Amendment Act, 1994;

Property Transfer Tax Amendment Act, 1994;

Medical and Health Care Services Special Account Act;

Taxation Statutes Amendment Act, 1994; and

Local Government Grants Act;

and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 21, 1994.

Bills introduced and read a first time.

Bills *Ordered* for second reading at the next sitting after day.

And then the House adjourned at 3.42 p.m.

Wednesday, March 23, 1994

Two o'clock p.m.

Prayers by Mr. Garden.

On the motion of Mr. *Chisholm*, Bill (No. M212) intituled *Family Day Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. Chisholm presented a petition.

The Hon. *J. Pement* (Minister of Transportation and Highways) tabled the Annual Report of the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia, for the year ending December 31, 1993.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That the Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. Krog, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

The Speaker delivered his reserved opinion as follows:

Honourable Members:

On Monday last, the Member for Powell River-Sunshine Coast sought to move adjournment of the House under Standing Order 35 for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, the current status of the Vancouver Island Land Use Plan.

At the outset I would point out that Standing Order 35 provides a method of setting aside the normal business of the House in an extraordinary situation.

At the time when the matter was raised the House was embarked on the Throne Speech debate, a debate of wide scope to which the Standing Orders have given priority over other debates. The Throne Speech debate has been consistently cited as an "Ordinary Parliamentary Opportunity" which would accommodate the discussion proposed by the member. I would refer to the House Speakers' opinions to be found amongst others in the *Journals* of the House, 1991, page 54.

For the foregoing reason I am of the opinion that the matter does not comply within Standing Order 35.

EMERY BARNES, Speaker

Thursday, March 24, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. M. de Jong.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That the Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Ms. *Boone*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 11.52 a.m.

Thursday, March 24, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Leave was not granted for the Hon. G. Clark (Minister of Employment and Investment) to answer on behalf of the Hon. M. F. Harcourt (Premier), a question taken on notice.

The Hon. *G. Clark* (Minister of Employment and Investment) made a ministerial statement on behalf of the Hon. *M. F. Harcourt* (Premier) relating to the withdrawal of a lawsuit against the Official Opposition House Leader by Mr. Marc Eliesen, Chief Executive Officer of B.C. Hydro.

Mr. Farrell-Collins made a statement.

Mr. *Mitchell* asked leave, pursuant to Standing Order 35, to move adjournment of the House to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, the confidence of this Assembly in the Government's role in the recent change in presiding officers of this House.

The Speaker stated that he would have to deny the motion at this time, as there was a matter already before the Chair dealing with related facts.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That the Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. *Garden*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

The Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows: *Honourable Members:*

On Tuesday last, the Honourable Member for Peace River South raised a question of privilege with respect to allegations in the media surrounding the position of Speaker relative to the Government.

The Member referred to articles from the media alleging that the former Speaker had been "asked by the Government to step down as Speaker" and suggested that such allegations were confirmed by the fact that they were neither corrected, challenged or denied by the former Speaker.

In the opinion of the Member, there was Government interference with the Chair and that constituted, as such, a breach of the collective privileges of all Members. The Member tabled a number of documents which included a detailed outline of his point of privilege, the former Speaker's statement of resignation, a number of media reports and extracts reflecting the allegations referred to by the Member and a copy of the motion he intended to move should a *prima facie* case of privilege be established.

The Chair also heard and considered comments from other Members on this issue and is thankful for their contribution.

It is incumbent on the Chair to decide if a *prima facie* case of privilege has been established by the Member, to determine "if the case is of such a character as to entitle it to a motion" (Beauchesne, 6th edition, paragraph 26 (3) and May, 19th edition, page 231).

I have thoroughly reviewed the material tabled. Situations giving rise to doubts about the independence of the Speaker are of a grave concern to this House. Members must at all times have full confidence in the Speaker as an essential element in the functioning of the House.

In the situation at hand, the allegations in the media reports have remained unsubstantiated and were neither confirmed nor denied. Lack of denial of alleged facts does not constitute admission.

The Chair is therefore in a position of having to render a decision based on a series of unsubstantiated allegations. The fact that the allegations are of a serious nature does not thereby render them a matter of privilege.

The Chair has heard nothing from the Member, other than the media allegations, to indicate that any undue influence was exercised by the Government with respect to the former Speaker's resignation.

I recognize that the Honourable Member has great respect for the institution of Parliament and is quite concerned and aggrieved by what he considers to be a matter of privilege, but unless there is sufficient evidence to support the allegations, a *prima facie* matter of privilege has not been established. The Chair's examination of the documentation tabled by the Member leads to the conclusion that there is substantial uncertainty as to the facts alleged in the media reports. The strict definition of parliamentary privilege cannot be expanded to include controversies as to facts.

There are a number of rulings in this House and in other jurisdictions clearly stating that unsubstantiated allegations of facts or disputed facts "does not fulfill the condition of parliamentary privilege" (Beauchesne, 6th edition, paragraph 31 (1)).

More particularly, I refer Members to the *Journals* of British Columbia, April 13, 1982, page 41, June 8, 1982, page 132 and June 29, 1988, page 128, where Speakers of the day consistently ruled that matters of privilege cannot be based on disputed facts, and I quote partly from the June 8 ruling "This is clearly a dispute as to facts and accordingly does not qualify as a matter of privilege."

The Chair wishes to note that the former Speaker was elected to the Chair and continued in that Office until she resigned, which resignation was immediately followed by the election of a new Speaker at the next sitting. This process was in conformity with section 42 of the *Constitution Act* of British Columbia, the Standing Orders of this House and with the provisions of May's 19th edition at page 267.

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In the circumstances, and in accordance with the reasons outlined and the authorities cited above, I am unable to find that the Member has established a *prima facie* case of privilege.

EMERY BARNES, Speaker

And then the House adjourned at 5.47 p.m.

Friday, March 25, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Chisholm.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned the debate on the motion "That the Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

37 Ms. *Reid* moved, seconded by Mr. *Farrell-Collins* —

"Be it resolved that the motion 'that the Speaker do now leave the Chair' for the House to go into Committee of Supply be amended by adding the following, 'but the House regrets that the Government has seen fit to take an additional 1.2 Billion dollars out of the pockets of the taxpayers of British Columbia, further impairing the fragile economic recovery of the Province; and furthermore, that the budget continues to hamper the development of a healthy, diversified provincial economy through its interventionalist, ideologically driven spending measures."

The debate on the amendment continued.

On the motion of Mr. *Jarvis*, debate on the amendment was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 11.53 a.m.

Monday, March 28, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Neufeld.

The Hon. *E. Cull* (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM *Lieutenant Governor*

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 24) intituled *Supply Act* (No. 1), 1994 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, March 24, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Mr. *Mitchell*, Bill (No. M213) intituled *Railway Amendment Act*, 1994, was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. M. F. Harcourt (Premier) made a ministerial statement relating to a letter to the Prime Minister concerning Bill C-18, the *Electoral Boundaries Readjustment Suspension Act*.

Mr. Campbell made a statement.

By leave, Mr. Wilson made a statement.

By leave, Mr. Weisgerber made a statement.

The Hon. *R. Blencoe* (Minister of Government Services and Minister Responsible for Sport and Commonwealth Games) tabled the 1993 Annual Report of the Assessment Appeal Board.

The Hon. *C. Gabelmann* (Attorney General) tabled the Report on the Cariboo-Chilcotin Justice Inquiry, pursuant to the *Inquiry Act*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the motion "That the Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate on the amendment continued.

The House divided.

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The amendment was negatived on the following division:

	YEAS—20		
Chisholm	Gingell	Wilson	K. Jones
Dalton	Stephens	Tyabji	Symons
Campbell	Weisgerber	Jarvis	Fox
Farrell-Collins	Hanson	Anderson	Neufeld
Hurd	Serwa	Warnke	H. De Jong
		Nays—33	
Petter	Lortie	Blencoe	Simpson
Sihota	Giesbrecht	Lovick	Streifel
Edwards	Miller	Pullinger	Lord
Cashore	Smallwood	Janssen	Hartley
Charbonneau	Cull	Evans	Lali
Perry	Gabelmann	Randall	Copping
Dosanjh	MacPhail	Farnworth	Brewin
Hammell	Ramsey	Doyle	Kasper
B. Jones	•	-	-

The debate was resumed on the main motion.

On the motion of Mr. Lovick, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5.56 p.m.

Tuesday,	March	29,	1994
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TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Fox.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That the Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. Janssen, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 11.57 a.m.

Tuesday, March 29, 1994

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *E. Cull* (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM

Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 3) intituled *Manufactured Home Amendment Act*, 1994 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 14, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. *D. Miller* (Minister of Skills, Training and Labour) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

David C. Lam

Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 8) intituled *Accountants (Management) Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 17, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *C. Gabelmann* (Attorney General) tabled the Report of the Commission of Inquiry into an Incident Occurring in the Vancouver City Jail on 16 November, 1983, Honourable Lloyd G. McKenzie, Q.C., Commissioner.

The Hon. *E. Cull* (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) tabled the Seventeenth Annual Report of the business done in pursuance of the *Public Service Benefit Plan Act* for year ended March 31, 1993.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That the Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

On the motion of the Hon. J. MacPhail, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 24) intituled *Supply Act* (No. 1), 1994, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

Bill (No. 24) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. C. Gabelmann advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

And then the House adjourned at 5.16 p.m.

Wednesday, March 30, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. H. De Jong.

The Hon. A. Charbonneau (Minister of Education) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

David C. Lam

Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 10) intituled *School Amendment Act, 1994* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 24, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Ms. *Tyabji* presented a petition relating to air quality in Winfield and Oyama.

The Hon. C. Gabelmann (Attorney General) tabled the following:

The Annual Report of the Ministry of Attorney General, 1992-1993.

The Annual Report of the B.C. Liquor Distribution Branch, 1993.

Report of the Office of the Public Trustee — Year in Review, 1992-1993.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 24) intituled *Supply Act* (No. 1), 1994 was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

The Hon. G. Clark moved —

That the House at its rising stand adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. tomorrow, and by agreement question period will be held at 10 o'clock a.m.

And then the House adjourned at 5.53 p.m.

Thursday, March 31, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Hanson.

The Speaker declared a short recess.

His Honour the Administrator having entered the House, and being seated in the Chair — *E. George MacMinn*, Q.C., Clerk of the House, read the title to the following Bill:

Bill (No. 24) Supply Act (No. 1), 1994.

His Honour the Administrator was pleased in Her Majesty's name to give assent to the said Bill.

The said assent was announced by *E. George MacMinn*, Q.C., Clerk of the House, in the following words:

"In Her Majesty's name, His Honour the Administrator doth thank Her Majesty's loyal subjects, accepts their benevolence, and assents to this Bill."

His Honour the Administrator was then pleased to retire.

By agreement, Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That the Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. G. Clark moved —

That the House at its rising stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. Tuesday next.

And then the House adjourned at 12.29 p.m.

Tuesday, April 5, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Hon. J. MacPhail.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *C. Gabelmann* (Attorney General) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM *Lieutenant Governor*

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 5) intituled *Family Relations Amendment Act, 1994* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 14, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. *E. Cull* (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) presented the Public Accounts of the Province of British Columbia for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1993.

By leave, the Hon. E. Cull (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) moved —

That the Public Accounts for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1993, be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

The Hon. G. Clark (Minister of Employment and Investment) tabled the Fifteenth Annual Report of the Science Council of British Columbia, 1992-1993.

Mr. Weisgerber rose on a matter of privilege regarding the designation of political affiliation in Hansard, both printed and electronic.

The Hon. G. Clark made representations.

Mr. Hanson made representations.

Mr. Wilson made representations.

Mr. Speaker stated he would take the matter under advisement.

By leave, Ms. Reid tabled copies of documents referred to during Oral Question Period.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate on the amendment continued.

By leave, the Hon. *E. Cull* (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) tabled the B.C. Endowment Fund Inventory Report for the period ending September 30, 1993.

The debate on the amendment continued.

On the motion of the Hon. *G. Clark*, debate on the amendment was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

The Hon. G. Clark advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

And then the House adjourned at 5.46 p.m.

Wednesday, April 6, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Ms. O'Neill.

The Hon. *B. Barlee* (Minister of Small Business, Tourism and Culture) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

David C. Lam

Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 21) intituled *Heritage Conservation Statutes Amendment Act*, 1994 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House.

March 24, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

By leave, Mr. Weisgerber tabled a copy of a document received under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

By leave, Mr. Neufeld tabled a copy of a document from the B.C. Lottery Corporation.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate on the amendment continued.

On the motion of the Hon. M. F. Harcourt, debate on the amendment was adjourned.

41 The Hon. G. Clark moved —

Be it resolved that this House hereby authorizes the Committee of Supply for this Session to sit in two sections designated Section A and Section B; Section A to sit in such Committee Room as may be appointed from time to time, and Section B to sit in the Chamber of the Assembly, subject to the following rules:

- 1. The Standing Orders applicable to the Committees of the Whole House shall be applicable in both Sections of the Committee of Supply save and except that in Section A, a Minister may defer to a Deputy Minister to permit such Deputy to reply to a question put to the Minister.
- 2. Subject to paragraph 3, within one sitting day of the passage of this Motion, the House Leader of the Official Opposition may advise the Government House Leader, in writing, of three ministerial Estimates which the Official Opposition requires to be considered in Section B of the Committee of Supply, and upon receipt of such notice in writing, the Government House Leader shall confirm in writing that the said three ministerial Estimates shall be considered in Section B of the Committee of Supply.
- 3. All estimates shall stand referred to Section A, save and except those Estimates which shall be referred to Section B under the provisions of paragraph 2 of this Order and such other Estimates as shall be referred to Section B on motion by the Government House Leader, which motion shall be governed by the provisions of Standing Order 60 A. Practice Recommendation #6 relating to Consultation shall be applicable to this rule.
- 4. The Committee of Selection shall appoint 20 Members for Section A, being 13 Members of the New Democratic Party, five Members of the Liberal Party and two other Members. In addition, the Deputy Chair of the Committee of the Whole, or his or her nominee, shall preside over the debates in Section A. Substitution of Members will be permitted to Section A with the consent of that Member's Whip, where applicable, otherwise with the consent of the Member involved.
- 5. At thirty minutes prior to the ordinary time fixed for adjournment of the House, the Chair of Committee A will report to the House. In the event such report includes the last vote in a particular ministerial Estimate, after such report has been made to the House, the Government shall have a maximum of eight minutes, and the Official Opposition a maximum of five minutes, and all other Members (cumulatively) a maximum of three minutes to summarize the Committee debate on a particular ministerial Estimate completed, such summaries to be in the following order:
 - (1) Other members;
 - (2) Official Opposition; and
 - (3) Government.
 - 6. Committee B shall be composed of all Members of the House.
 - 7. Divisions in Section A will be signalled by the ringing of the division bells four times.
- 8. Divisions in Section B will be signalled by the ringing of the division bells three times at which time proceedings in Section A will be suspended until completion of the division in Section B.
- 9. Section B is hereby authorized to consider Bills referred to Committee after second reading thereof and the Standing Orders applicable to Bills in Committee of the Whole shall be applicable to such Bills during consideration thereof in Section B, and for all purposes Section B shall be deemed to be a Committee of the Whole. Such referrals to Section B shall be made upon motion without notice by the Minister responsible for the Bill, and such motion shall be decided without amendment or debate. Practice Recommendation #6 relating to Consultation shall be applicable to all such referrals.

- 10. Section A is hereby authorized to consider Bills referred to Committee after second reading thereof and the Standing Orders applicable to Bills in Committee of the Whole shall be applicable to such Bills during consideration thereof in Section A, and for all purposes Section A shall be deemed to be a Committee of the Whole. Such referrals to Section A shall be made upon motion without notice by the Minister responsible for the Bill, and such motion shall be decided without amendment or debate. Practice Recommendation #6 relating to Consultation shall be applicable to all such referrals.
- 11. Bills or Estimates previously referred to a designated Committee may at any stage be subsequently referred to another designated Committee on motion of the Government House Leader or Minister responsible for the Bill as hereinbefore provided by Rule Nos. 3, 9 and 10.

A debate arose.

Mr. Mitchell asked leave to adjourn the debate.

Leave was not granted.

The debate continued.

Mr. Serwa moved the following amendments —

In section 4:

by deleting the number "13" as it relates to Members of the New Democratic Party and substituting the number "15";

by deleting the word "five" as it relates to Members of the Liberal Party and substituting the word "six";

by deleting the word "two" as it relates to other Members and substituting the word "three".

In section 10 by deleting all the words after the word "shall" in the fourth line to the end of the sentence in the fifth line and substituting the words "only be made with the unanimous consent of the House."

The amendments were agreed to.

The debate on the motion, as amended, continued.

The Hon. G. Clark moved an amendment as follows —

In section 4 by deleting the number "20" and substituting the number "24".

The amendment was agreed to.

Motion, as amended, agreed to on the following division:

Petter	Yeas—50		
	Hammell	Blencoe	Jackson
Sihota	B. Jones	Lovick	Sawicki
Marzari	Lortie	Pullinger	Simpson
Priddy	Giesbrecht	Janssen	Streifel
Edwards	Miller	Evans	Fox
Cashore	Smallwood	Randall	Neufeld
Zirnhelt	Cull	Beattie	Boone
Charbonneau	Harcourt	Doyle	Hartley
O'	Gabelmann	Weisgerber	Schreck
Neill	Clark	Hanson	Copping
Garden	MacPhail	Serwa	Brewin
Perry	Ramsey	Mitchell	Kasper
Hagen	Barlee		•
Dosanjh			

Nays—13

ChisholmGingellTannerWarnkeDaltonStephensJarvisK. JonesReidTyabjiAndersonSymonsHurdTyabjiTyabji

The motion, as amended, reads as follows:

Be it resolved that this House hereby authorizes the Committee of Supply for this Session to sit in two sections designated Section A and Section B; Section A to sit in such Committee Room as may be appointed from time to time, and Section B to sit in the Chamber of the Assembly, subject to the following rules:

- 1. The Standing Orders applicable to the Committees of the Whole House shall be applicable in both Sections of the Committee of Supply save and except that in Section A, a Minister may defer to a Deputy Minister to permit such Deputy to reply to a question put to the Minister.
- 2. Subject to paragraph 3, within one sitting day of the passage of this Motion, the House Leader of the Official Opposition may advise the Government House Leader, in writing, of three ministerial Estimates which the Official Opposition requires to be considered in Section B of the Committee of Supply, and upon receipt of such notice in writing, the Government House Leader shall confirm in writing that the said three ministerial Estimates shall be considered in Section B of the Committee of Supply.
- 3. All estimates shall stand referred to Section A, save and except those Estimates which shall be referred to Section B under the provisions of paragraph 2 of this Order and such other Estimates as shall be referred to Section B on motion by the Government House Leader, which motion shall be governed by the provisions of Standing Order 60A. Practice Recommendation #6 relating to Consultation shall be applicable to this rule.
- 4. The Committee of Selection shall appoint 24 Members for Section A, being 15 Members of the New Democratic Party, six Members of the Liberal Party and three other Members. In addition, the Deputy Chair of the Committee of the Whole, or his or her nominee, shall preside over the debates in Section A. Substitution of Members will be permitted to Section A with the consent of that Member's Whip, where applicable, otherwise with the consent of the Member involved.
- 5. At thirty minutes prior to the ordinary time fixed for adjournment of the House, the Chair of Committee A will report to the House. In the event such report includes the last vote in a particular ministerial Estimate, after such report has been made to the House, the Government shall have a maximum of eight minutes, and the Official Opposition a maximum of five minutes, and all other Members (cumulatively) a maximum of three minutes to summarize the Committee debate on a particular ministerial Estimate completed, such summaries to be in the following order:
 - (1) Other members;
 - (2) Official Opposition; and
 - (3) Government.
 - 6. Committee B shall be composed of all Members of the House.
 - 7. Divisions in Section A will be signalled by the ringing of the division bells four times.
- 8. Divisions in Section B will be signalled by the ringing of the division bells three times at which time proceedings in Section A will be suspended until completion of the division in Section B.
- 9. Section B is hereby authorized to consider Bills referred to Committee after second reading thereof and the Standing Orders applicable to Bills in Committee of the Whole shall be applicable to such Bills during consideration thereof in Section B, and for all purposes Section B shall be deemed to be a Committee of the Whole. Such referrals to Section B shall be made upon motion without notice by the Minister responsible for the Bill, and such motion shall be decided without amendment or debate. Practice Recommendation #6 relating to Consultation shall be applicable to all such referrals.

- 10. Section A is hereby authorized to consider Bills referred to Committee after second reading thereof and the Standing Orders applicable to Bills in Committee of the Whole shall be applicable to such Bills during consideration thereof in Section A, and for all purposes Section A shall be deemed to be a Committee of the Whole. Such referrals to Section A shall only be made with the unanimous consent of the House. Practice Recommendation #6 relating to Consultation shall be applicable to all such referrals.
- 11. Bills or Estimates previously referred to a designated Committee may at any stage be subsequently referred to another designated Committee on motion of the Government House Leader or Minister responsible for the Bill as hereinbefore provided by Rule Nos. 3, 9 and 10.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 8) intituled *Accountants (Management) Act*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 8) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 6) intituled *Insurance Amendment Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 6) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 2) intituled *Architects Amendment Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 2) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate on the amendment continued.

The House divided.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:

		YEAS—12	
Chisholm	Stephens	Jarvis	K. Jones
Dalton	Hanson	Anderson	Symons
Hurd	Serwa	Warnke	Neufeld
		Nays—36	
Petter	Hagen	Ramsey	Sawicki
Sihota	B. Jones	Barlee	Simpson
Marzari	Lortie	Lovick	Streifel
Priddy	Giesbrecht	Pullinger	Boone
Edwards	Smallwood	Janssen	Hartley
Cashore	Cull	Evans	Schreck
Charbonneau	Harcourt	Beattie	Copping
Garden	Gabelmann	Doyle	Brewin
Perry	Clark	Jackson	Kasper

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On the motion of the Hon. G. Clark, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5.37 p.m.

Thursday, April 7, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Farnworth.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. M. de Jong, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 11.57 a.m.

Thursday, April 7, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

The Hon. *J. Smallwood* (Minister of Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

David C. Lam

Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 11) intituled *Cemetery and Funeral Services Amendment Act, 1994* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 28, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. *P. Ramsey* (Minister of Health) made a ministerial statement regarding an alleged breach of privacy under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

Ms. Reid made a statement.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. Kasper presented a Report of the Special Committee to Appoint an Auditor General.

The Report was taken as read and received.

By leave of the House, Mr. Kasper moved that the Rules be suspended and the Report adopted.

Motion agreed to.

By leave, Mr. Kasper moved —

That this House recommend to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor the appointment of Mr. George Morfitt, F.C.A., as an Officer of the Legislature to exercise the powers and duties assigned to the Auditor General for the Province of British Columbia pursuant to the *Auditor General Act*, Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1979, chapter 24.

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to unanimously.

Mr. Wilson rose on a matter of privilege regarding Motion 41 passed in the House on April 6, 1994.

The Hon. G. Clark made representations.

Mr. Farrell-Collins made representations.

Ms. *Tyabji* made representations.

The Hon. C. Gabelmann made representations.

Mr. Serwa made representations.

The Speaker stated that he would take the matter under advisement.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

By leave, on the motion of the Hon. *G. Clark*, it was *Ordered* that leave be given for the Special Committee of Selection to meet while the House is in session today.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. Farnworth, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

The Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows:

Honourable Members:

On Tuesday, April 5th, the Member for Peace River South sought to raise as a matter of privilege the party designations used in television broadcasts of the debates of the Assembly. The Member alleged that his privileges as a Member were contravened as the television broadcast identified him as an Independent rather than indicate the name of the political party he currently belongs to. During this Session there have been a number of changes in party designation which have led to this somewhat unique situation.

I believe it is the Member's position that if a Member of the House indicates that he or she belongs to a particular political party, that party should be shown on the television screen regardless of the number of Members of that party in the House, or whether the Member had run for election under the name of that party.

In 1991, electronic broadcast of debates was authorized by a decision of the then Board of Internal Economy which resolved as follows:

"That the Board proceed to provide quality gavel-to-gavel television coverage for the next Session of the Legislative Assembly under the authority of Mr. Speaker."

I invited submissions from other groups in the House following the raising of the matter of privilege and note that there appears to be a general consensus to allow the television broadcast to reflect a Member's political party, provided that this would not lead to a claim for procedural or financial considerations. Accordingly, I am prepared to accede to the Member's request and will so direct *Hansard*, beginning with tomorrow's proceedings.

I have not dealt with the matter as one of privilege, as I believe the material before me does not reveal a *prima facie* case of privilege, but it will, as indicated, be dealt with by the exercise of the Speaker's discretion in the manner mandated by the Board of Internal Economy.

EMERY BARNES, Speaker

And then the House adjourned at 5.56 p.m.

Friday, April 8, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Evans.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		Yeas—29	
Petter	Hammell	Lovick	Sawicki
Pement	B. Jones	Pullinger	Simpson
Priddy	Lortie	Janssen	Hartley
Zirnhelt	Giesbrecht	Evans	Lali
Charbonneau	Smallwood	Randall	Schreck
O'	Gabelmann	Farnworth	Brewin
Neill	Blencoe	Jackson	Kasper
Hagen			•
Dosanjh			
		Nays—11	
Chisholm	Serwa	Jarvis	Symons
Hurd	Wilson	Warnke	Neufeld
Stephens	Tanner	K. Jones	

And then the House adjourned at 12.52 p.m.

Monday, April 11, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Ms. Reid.

The Speaker made a statement regarding the first closed-captioned broadcast of the televised proceedings of the Legislative Assembly.

The Hon. J. Smallwood (Minister of Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services) made a ministerial statement relating to Ford Credit Canada and the Trade Practice Act.

Mr. Dalton made a statement.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. Mitchell rose on a point of order regarding the casting of aspersions upon an Officer of the House.

Mr. Farrell-Collins made representations.

Mr. Warnke made representations.

Dr. Perry made representations.

By leave, the Hon. *R. Blencoe* (Minister of Government Services and Minister Responsible for Sport and Commonwealth Games) tabled a document entitled British Columbia Directory of Records, 1994.

The Hon. G. Clark (Minister of Employment and Investment) sought leave to table a document.

Leave not granted.

By leave, Mr. *Mitchell* tabled a copy of a computer printout from New Haven Correctional Centre re Mr. Daniel Perrault.

The Hon. G. Clark (Minister of Employment and Investment) presented the First Report of the Special Committee of Selection, which read as follows:

FIRST REPORT

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS
APRIL 7, 1994

HONOURABLE SPEAKER:

The Special Committee of Selection, appointed on March 14, 1994 to prepare and report lists of members to compose the Select Standing Committees of this House for the present Session, begs leave to report that the following is the list of members to compose the Select Standing Committees for the present Session:

ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS — Mr. Beattie (Convener), Mmes. Boone and O'Neill, Mr. Jackson, Ms. Hagen, Messrs. Lali and Kasper, Messrs. Anderson, Jarvis and Warnke and Mr. Serwa.

JUSTICE, CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS — Mr. *Doyle* (Convener), Messrs. *B. Jones, Giesbrecht* and *Dosanjh*, Mmes. *Hammell*, *Boone* and *Brewin*, Messrs. *Dalton, Warnke* and *M. de Jong* and Mr. *Wilson*.

EDUCATION, CULTURE AND MULTICULTURALISM — Ms. O'Neill (Convener), Mr. Lortie, Ms. Sawicki, Messrs. Perry, Giesbrecht, Conroy and B. Jones, Messrs. Anderson and Dalton, Ms. Stephens and Mr. H. De Jong.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, SCIENCE, LABOUR, TRAINING AND TECHNOLOGY — Mr. Farnworth (Convener), Messrs. Garden, Jackson, Simpson, Randall and Streifel, Ms. O'Neill, Mr. Farrell-Collins, Mmes. Reid and Stephens and Mr. Mitchell.

Environment and Tourism — Mr. Krog (Convener), Mmes. Lord and Pullinger, Messrs. Garden, Giesbrecht, Perry and Lortie, Messrs. Chisholm, Tanner and M. de Jong and Ms. Tyabji.

FINANCE, CROWN CORPORATIONS AND GOVERNMENT SERVICES — Mr. Simpson (Convener), Mmes. Pullinger, Boone, Copping and Hammell, Messrs. Hartley and Kasper and Messrs. Farrell-Collins, K. Jones and Tanner and Mr. Hanson.

HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES — Mr. *Garden* (Convener), Mr. *Schreck*, Ms. *Copping*, Mr. *Evans*, Ms. *Lord*, Messrs. *B. Jones* and *Randall*, Mr. *Anderson*, Ms. *Reid*, Mr. *Symons* and Mr. *Fox*.

AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES — Mr. Lali (Convener), Ms. Lord, Messrs. Conroy, Streifel, Evans, Hartley and Beattie, Messrs. Chisholm, Hurd and M. de Jong and Mr. H. De Jong.

Forests, Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources — Mr. Evans (Convener), Messrs. Conroy, Jackson, Giesbrecht, Streifel and Doyle, Ms. Pullinger, Messrs. Gingell, Hurd and Jarvis and Mr. Neufeld.

TRANSPORTATION, MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS AND HOUSING — Mr. Hartley (Convener), Ms. Brewin, Messrs. Farnworth, Randall, Doyle and Kasper, Ms. Sawicki, Messrs. Anderson, Hurd and Symons and Mr. Hanson.

Women's Equality — Ms. *Hammell* (Convener), Mr. *Lortie*, Mmes. *Brewin*, *Lord* and *Copping*, Messrs. *Simpson* and *Perry*, Mmes. *Reid* and *Stephens*, Mr. *Tanner* and Mr. *Neufeld*.

Public Accounts — Mr. Gingell (Convener), Ms. Hagen, Messrs. Krog, Schreck, Farnworth, Dosanjh and Beattie, Ms. Pullinger, Mr. K. Jones, Ms. Stephens and Mr. Wilson.

PARLIAMENTARY REFORM, ETHICAL CONDUCT, STANDING ORDERS AND PRIVATE BILLS — Mr. Dosanjh (Convener), Ms. Hammell, Messrs. Farnworth and B. Jones, Ms. Pullinger, Messrs. Schreck, Streifel and Krog, Messrs. Chisholm, Gingell and Warnke and Mr. Weisgerber.

Pursuant to an Order of the House of April 6, 1994 the Special Committee of Selection reports that the following is the list of permanent members to compose Committee of Supply Section A:

The Minister whose Estimates are being considered in Section A, B. Copping, S. Hammell, F. Jackson, B. Jones, R. Kasper, J. Sawicki, D. Schreck, E. Conroy, J. Doyle, H. Giesbrecht, U. Dosanjh, G. Brewin, J. Beattie, F. Garden, K. Jones, A. Warnke, J. Dalton, L. Reid, M. de Jong, F. Gingell, G. Wilson, J. Weisgerber and C. Serwa.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee.

HON. G. CLARK, CHAIR

By leave of the House, the Report was taken as read and received.

By leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the Report adopted.

The Hon. *G. Clark* (Minister of Employment and Investment) tabled the 1993 Annual Report of the Job Protection Commission.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Small Business, Tourism and Culture).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Attorney General).

(IN COMMITTEE)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.54 p.m.

Tuesday, April 12, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Symons.

The Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows:

Honourable Members:

On Thursday last, the Honourable Member for Powell River-Sunshine Coast rose on a matter of privilege alleging that the motion adopted by the House authorizing the Committee of Supply, for this Session, to sit in two sections "denies the fundamental right and privilege of a Member of this Assembly to fully participate in debate and have access to ministers of government during the financial estimates debates".

In the Honourable Member's opinion, membership to Section A of the Committee of Supply is restricted, thereby denying Members "the right to enter into debate and the right to vote".

I have carefully considered the Honourable Member's arguments, and the contributions of other Members.

Any process which denies or threatens Members' rights to freely speak or participate in debate in the Chamber or a Committee of the Whole is a situation which the Chair views with concern. Before determining whether the Honourable Member's application based on an alleged breach of privilege is, on first impression, sufficiently established to set aside the regular business of the House, I should like to briefly review with Members the intent and rationale behind the use of Committees by the House.

Committees are composed of a number of Members specifically named and regularly appointed to consider, inquire into or deal with particular matters or bills. Successive Parliaments have found in them a flexible means of accomplishing a wide variety of different purposes. Committees may be given different powers to meet different circumstances. (Erskine May's *Parliamentary Practice*, 21st edition, page 611.)

Select Standing and Special Committees in this House are appointed, pursuant to Standing Order 68 (1), by a Special Committee of Selection of the Assembly, which reports to the House. The Committee of Supply is appointed pursuant to Standing Order 60.

It has always been the practice in the U.K. and in most Canadian jurisdictions that the membership of Committees is allocated in generally the same proportion as that of the recognized political parties in the House itself. Other parties and Independent Members obtain representation through negotiation with recognized parties.

I should like to remind Honourable Members that the establishment of Section A of the Committee of Supply and its operating mechanism and powers were accomplished under strict adherence to and in conformity with the Standing Orders and recognized practices of this House.

To accept the principle of a parliamentary committee system is to accept and recognize that inevitably, only a fraction of all the Members of the House will become members of any particular committee.

Under the Ottawa practice, Members not appointed to a particular Committee are not precluded from participating in the Committee's deliberations. They "are entitled to be present at sittings of all Committees" and "may participate during the Committee's examination of witnesses". (Beauchesne's 6th edition, paragraph 766 (1)). It is significant for Members to appreciate that the Ottawa practice is at variance with the U.K. practice which is stated in Erskine May's *Parliamentary Practice*, 18th edition at page 636 as follows:

"A Member of the House of Commons, who was not named of a committee, may not address the committee, put questions to witnesses, or interfere in any matter whatever in the proceedings...."

In any event, in both jurisdictions, matters referred to any Committee of the House do return to the House for final approbation, thereby affording all Members the opportunity to vote.

Additionally, the motion in question provides that "substitution of Members will be permitted to Section A with the consent of that Member's Whip, where applicable, or otherwise with the consent of the Members 'involved'". In my opinion, this substitution mechanism provides ample opportunity for Members to participate to the fullest extent in committee work.

Furthermore, the unanimous consent provision respecting the referral of Bills at the Committee stage to Committee A is yet another control which the House may exercise in its consideration of legislation.

In view of the gravity of the matter raised by the Honourable Member, the Chair wishes to point out that the House is the master of its own proceedings. After debate on the proposed Motion and the adoption of amendments proposed during that debate, the House made the decision to debate Estimates in two sections of the Committee of the Whole. The substitution rules are designed in such a way to prevent any Member being denied access to any Estimate he or she chooses to debate. As with debates in the House or any Committee thereof, it is incumbent on the Member seeking to be heard to be present and to conform to the rules as interpreted by the Presiding Officer.

To a certain extent the matter raised by the Honourable Member for Powell River-Sunshine Coast <u>anticipates an inequity that has not occurred</u>. If the Chair, at some future time was advised that a Member had been improperly denied access to any section of a Committee of the Whole, the Chair would redress the situation forthwith.

With the indulgence of the House, the Chair would also observe that the business of Supply, and how it is handled, varies considerably from Parliament to Parliament. Some Parliaments and Legislatures place a strict time limit on the completion of Estimates debate, and if all Estimates are not completed by the date indicated, they are "deemed" to have passed. In other Parliaments, the Official Opposition selects several Ministries for detailed examination and only those specifically selected ever reach the debate stage. For example, Alberta sets aside 25 days for Estimates, with an average of 2.5 hours per day. After the 25th day, a mandatory vote is taken and the Estimates are passed. Manitoba devotes 240 hours to the business of Supply, including all Committee time necessary for interim and final Supply Bills. Ontario refers all Estimates to a Standing Committee on Estimates which has a fixed membership with a substitution rule similar to that in this House. Further, Members will note that in Ontario only 12 of 28 Ministries are selected for debate and by a fixed date all Estimates are deemed completed.

By contrast, in this Assembly, there is neither a time restriction nor an exclusion of any Ministries in our Estimate procedure. The questioned Motion provides for the examination of a portion of the Estimates in a branch of the traditional Committee of Supply with provision for substitution. The Chair has great difficulty with the suggestion that this arrangement restricts any Members' rights so as to amount to a *prima facie* breach of privilege, and I so rule.

EMERY BARNES, Speaker

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Small Business, Tourism and Culture).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Attorney General).

(IN COMMITTEE)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.54 a.m.

Tuesday, April 12, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

The Hon. D. Marzari (Minister of Municipal Affairs) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

David C. Lam *Lieutenant Governor*

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 12) intituled *Library Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, March 24, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. D. Marzari (Minister of Municipal Affairs) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM *Lieutenant Governor*

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 25) intituled *Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act*, 1994 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 28, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Mr. *Chisholm*, Bill (No. M214) intituled *An Act to Introduce a Minimum Ethanol Component for Gasoline* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. *E. Barnes* (Speaker) tabled the following Reports of the Auditor General to the Legislative Assembly:

1993/94: Report 1 — Value-for-Money Audits, Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks;

1993/94: Report 2 — Value-for-Money Audits, Ministry of Advanced Education, Training and Technology;

1993/94: Report 3 — Report on the 1992/93 Public Accounts, Province of British Columbia, and Report to the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia on the 1991-1992 Public Accounts.

By leave, the Hon. G. Clark (Minister of Employment and Investment) moved —

That the following Reports be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts:

1993/94: Report 1 — Value-for-Money Audits, Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks;

1993/94: Report 2 — Value-for-Money Audits, Ministry of Advanced Education, Training and Technology;

1993/94: Report 3 — Report on the 1992/93 Public Accounts, Province of British Columbia, and Report to the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia on the 1991-1992 Public Accounts.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Ms. *Tyabji* presented a petition with respect to devastation caused by deer in the orchards in Oyama.

By leave, Mr. *Weisgerber* tabled copies of letters to the Attorney General and the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Commissioner, with supporting documents.

Mr. *Dosanjh* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills, respecting Recall and Initiative.

Resolved, That the Report be taken as Read and Received.

The Honourable *D. Mazari* (Minister of Municipal Affairs) tabled the Annual Report of the British Columbia Assessment Authority for the 1992 fiscal year, in accordance with section 17 of the *Assessment Authority Act*.

By leave, Ms. Reid tabled a copy of a document from the Greater Victoria Hospitals Foundation.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Small Business, Tourism and Culture).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Attorney General).

(In Committee)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Hon. C. Gabelmann advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

And then the House adjourned at 5.53 p.m.

Wednesday, April 13, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. M. de Jong.

By leave, the Hon. C. Gabelmann (Attorney General) tabled a report with respect to Mr. Daniel Perrault.

The Hon. *C. Gabelmann* (Attorney General) made a ministerial statement relating to the appointment of Richard Peck, Q.C., as a Special Prosecutor to investigate the allegations of Mr. Gordon Watson, and tabled documents related thereto.

By leave, Mr. Mitchell made a statement.

Mr. Dalton made a statement.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 4) intituled *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 4) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 3) intituled *Manufactured Home Amendment Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 3) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 14) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. Warnke, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5.54 p.m.

Thursday, April 14, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Ms. Stephens.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Small Business, Tourism and Culture).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Attorney General).

(In Committee)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

- 51. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$342,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Small Business, Tourism and Culture, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1995.
- 52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$111,743,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Small Business, Tourism and Culture, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1995.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply having reported the last vote of the Estimates of the Ministry of Small Business, Tourism and Culture, debate on those Estimates was summarized, pursuant to Sessional Order of April 6, 1994.

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

Thursday, April 14, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. Mitchell rose on an alleged matter of privilege relating to the Attorney General.

The Speaker stated that he would review the request.

The Hon. E. Cull (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) tabled the following:

Annual Report of the British Columbia Lottery Corporation, 1992/1993.

Statement of Crown Proceeding Payments, for the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 1993, pursuant to the provisions of the *Crown Proceeding Act*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources).

(In the House)

The Hon. M. F. Harcourt (Premier) sought leave to move a motion.

Leave not granted.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 14) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act*, 1994.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division.

Petter	Yeas—42		
	Dosanjh	Blencoe	Simpson
Pement	Hammell	Lovick	Streifel
Priddy	B. Jones	Pullinger	Boone
Edwards	Lortie	Janssen	Hartley
Cashore	Miller	Evans	Lali
Zirnhelt	Smallwood	Beattie	Schreck
Charbonneau	Cull	Conroy	Copping
<i>O</i> '	Clark	Doyle	Brewin
Neill	MacPhail	Jackson	Krog
Garden	Ramsey	Sawicki	Kasper
Perry	Barlee		-
Hagen			

Nays—19

Chisholm Tanner Hanson Symons Reid Serwa Jarvis Fox Farrell-Collins Mitchell Anderson Neufeld Stephens Wilson Warnke H. De Jong Weisgerber Tyabji K. Jones

Bill (No. 14) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

THE HON. A Petter (Minister of Forests) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

ALLAN McEachern

Administrator

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 32) intituled *BC Forest Renewal Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, April 14, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 11) intituled *Cemetery and Funeral Services Amendment Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 11) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

And then the House adjourned at 5.19 p.m.

Friday, April 15, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Anderson.

The Clerk of the House informed the House of the unavoidable absence of the Speaker, whereupon Mr. *Lovick*, Deputy Speaker, took the Chair, pursuant to Standing Order 12.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Attorney General).

(In Committee — Section B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 12.19 p.m.

Monday, April 18, 1994

Two o'clock p.m.

Prayers by Mr. Serwa.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Upon the Member for Matsqui disregarding a direction of the Chair to withdraw an unparliamentary expression, the Chair ordered him to withdraw from the House for the balance of the day's sitting.

Mr. *Mitchell* asked leave, pursuant to Standing Order 35, to move adjournment of the House to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, alleged interference with the work of the Special Prosecutor named to investigate matters surrounding an Affidavit filed by the Attorney General.

The Hon. J. MacPhail made representations.

Mr. Farrell-Collins made representations.

Mr. Wilson made representations.

The Speaker stated that he would take the matter under advisement.

Mr. *Farrell-Collins* asked leave, pursuant to Standing Order 35, to move adjournment of the House to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, certain events which allegedly occurred in Committee of Supply and the ramifications thereof on the Estimates process.

The Hon. J. MacPhail made representations.

The Speaker stated that he would take the matter under advisement.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources).

(IN THE HOUSE)

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 21) intituled *Heritage Conservation Statutes Amendment Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 21) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 4) intituled Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Amendment Act, was committed.

In consideration of section 2 of Bill (No. 4) the Committee divided as follows:

		Yeas—43	
Sihota	MacPhail	Hurd	Warnke
Edwards	Blencoe	Gingell	K. Jones
Zirnhelt	Lovick	Hanson	Boone
O'	Evans	Mitchell	Hartley
Neill	Randall	Wilson	Lali
Garden	Doyle	Tyabji	Schreck
Hagen	Chisholm	Jackson	Copping
Dosanjh	Dalton	Sawicki	Brewin
Hammell	Reid	Simpson	Krog
B. Jones	Campbell	Tanner	Kasper
Giesbrecht	Farrell-Collins	Jarvis	
Miller			
		Nays—1	
Serwa			1

Section 6 of Bill (No. 4) passed, on division.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

- 25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$333,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1995.
- 26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$60,845,980 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1995.
- 27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources, British Columbia Utilities Commission, to 31st March 1995.

- 28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources, British Columbia Energy Council, to 31st March 1995.
- 29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$550,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources, Resource Revenue Sharing Agreements, to 31st March 1995.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply having reported the last vote of the Estimates of the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources, debate on those Estimates was summarized, pursuant to Sessional Order of April 6, 1994.

And then the House adjourned at 5.45 p.m.

Tuesday, April 19, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Hanson.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Ms. Stephens presented a petition.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks and Ministry Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights).

(IN COMMITTEE)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows:

Honourable Members:

On Thursday, April 14, the Member for West Vancouver-Garibaldi sought to raise a matter of privilege, namely that the Attorney General ought to step aside while a Special Prosecutor investigates the veracity of a charge.

In support of his application he tabled a list of Cabinet Ministers who, in the past, had resigned in a variety of circumstances. The list does not, on its face, contain any indication of a connection between any of the incidents listed and matters of privilege.

Erskine May's Parliamentary Practice (21st edition) at page 69 defines privilege as follows:

"Parliamentary privilege is the sum of the peculiar rights enjoyed by each House collectively as a constituent part of the High Court of Parliament, and by Members of each House individually, without which they could not discharge their functions, and which exceed those possessed by other bodies or individuals. Thus privilege, though part of the law of the land, is to a certain extent an exemption from the general law. Certain rights and immunities such as freedom from arrest or freedom of speech belong primarily to individual Members of each House and exist because the House cannot perform its functions without unimpeded use of the services of its Members. Other such rights and immunities such as the power to punish for contempt and the power to regulate its own constitution belong primarily to each House as a collective body, for the protection of its Members and the vindication of its own authority and dignity."

It is important that a distinction be drawn between situations which would involve a breach of privilege by, for instance, impeding a Member in the performance of his or her duties, and situations which are by their very nature political.

I would refer Members to two decisions of the House of Commons in Ottawa, namely June 3, 1969 and April 19, 1983. In both of those cases, the Speaker considered the distinction between matters of privilege and matters strictly political or within the executive power in the case of an alleged impropriety.

The makeup of Cabinet and matters surrounding a Member's performance in Cabinet are political questions which are not properly questions of privilege. Other opportunities exist for the discussion and debate of such matters.

The material tabled by the Member, and the argument presented does not indicate to the Chair any basis on which a *prima facie* case of breach of privilege can be made.

EMERY BARNES, Speaker

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

Tuesday, April 19, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. Mitchell sought leave to move a motion.

Leave was not granted.

By leave, Mr. Mitchell tabled a copy of a letter to the Commissioner of Conflict of Interest.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

43 The Hon. M. F. Harcourt moved —

Be it resolved that this House condemns the Federal Liberal Government's Bill C-18 which shortchanges British Columbia of two seats in the House of Commons and that this House calls upon the Senate to reject this unfair legislation.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. *Mitchell* that the question be now put pursuant to Standing Order 46, the House divided.

Motion negatived on the following division:

		Yeas—4	
Serwa	Mitchell	Wilson	Tyabji
		Nays—51	
Sihota	B. Jones	Conroy	K. Jones
Marzari	Lortie	Doyle	M. de Jong
Pement	Giesbrecht	Chisholm	Symons
Priddy	Miller	Dalton	Fox
Edwards	Smallwood	Campbell	Neufeld
Zirnhelt	Harcourt	Gingell	H. De Jong
Charbonneau	Gabelmann	Weisgerber	Hartley
O'	Clark	Hanson	Lali
Neill	Ramsey	Jackson	Schreck
Garden	Blencoe	Sawicki	Brewin
Perry	Lovick	Streifel	Krog
Hagen	Evans	Tanner	Kasper
Dosanjh	Farnworth	Anderson	•
Hammell			

On the motion of Mr. Fox, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

The Hon. G. Clark advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

And then the House adjourned at 6.06 p.m.

Wednesday, April 20, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. H. De Jong.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

By leave, Mr. Mitchell tabled a copy of a letter from the Commissioner of Conflict of Interest.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Women's Equality).

(In Committee — Section B)

- 57. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$358,699 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Women's Equality, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1995.
- 58. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$203,410,301 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Women's Equality, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1995.

Section B of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.55 p.m.

Thursday, April 21, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Weisgerber.

The Hon. *P. Ramsey* (Minister of Health and Minister Responsible for Seniors) tabled the Annual Report for the Ministry of Health and Ministry Responsible for Seniors, 1992/1993.

The Speaker delivered his reserved opinions as follows: *Honourable Members*:

On Monday last, the Honourable Member for West Vancouver-Garibaldi sought to move an adjournment of the House pursuant to Standing Order 35 to discuss a definite matter of urgent and public importance, namely, alleged interference by the Premier and by a Minister with the work of the Special Prosecutor named to investigate matters surrounding an affidavit filed by the Attorney General.

I consider such allegations relating to the conduct of Members as matters of grave concern.

Standing Order 35 is a vehicle by which the House may set aside its usual business to debate a matter that is so pressing that the public interest will suffer if the matter is not given immediate attention.

In determining whether the matter should be given immediate attention, the Chair takes into account the wording of Standing Order 35, as well as other considerations established through practice.

The Chair also weighs the probability of the matter being brought before the House within a reasonable time by other means.

With respect to other reasonable opportunity for debate, I remind Honourable Members, that the Estimates, including the Attorney General's Estimates, having been referred by order of the House, are currently before the Committee of Supply, a venue which traditionally affords Members an opportunity to address questions such as that raised by the Honourable Member.

I would also point out that the matters raised by the Honourable Member have been the subject of questions during successive periods of "Oral Questions by Members" over the past week, and may continue to be so, again providing a further opportunity for raising the matter.

I now wish to turn my attention to another issue relating directly to the allegations that a Minister interfered with the investigations of a special prosecutor.

In my view, the allegation is a matter which relates to the conduct of a Member and as such, the authorities clearly indicate that the issue should be raised by substantive motion.

The discussion which could ensue under the adjournment motion for an emergency debate must not raise any matter which can only be debated on Motions under Notice.

On the application of Standing Orders dealing with emergency debates, I refer Honourable Members to Beauchesne's 6th edition at citation 395:

"The conduct of a Member ought not to be the subject of debate under this Standing Order. If a Member's conduct is to be examined, it should be done on the basis of a substantive motion, of which notice is required, drawn in terms which clearly state a charge of wrongdoing."

I also refer Honourable Members to Erskine May's *Parliamentary Practice*, 20th edition at page 430:

"Unless the discussion is based upon a substantive motion, drawn in proper terms, reflections must not be cast in debate upon ... Members of either House."

I further urge Members to consult the *Debates of the House of Commons* in Ottawa, March 25, 1971, at page 4590, where the Speaker rejected an application for leave to adjourn on the grounds that the matter involved related to the conduct of a Minister and was a substantive matter which could only be debated on a distinct Motion under Notice.

For the above reasons, I cannot find that a genuine "urgency of debate" has been established for the purpose of Standing Order 35 and hence the application must fail.

EMERY BARNES, Speaker

Honourable Members:

On Monday last, the Honourable Member for Fort Langley-Aldergrove sought to move an adjournment of the House pursuant to Standing Order 35 to discuss a definite matter of urgent and public importance, namely, certain events which occurred in Committee of Supply and the ramifications thereof on the estimates process.

The Chair was notified in advance of this request, a courtesy for which I thank the Honourable Member.

The Honourable Member's application was the second matter raised under Standing Order 35 during the same sitting last Monday, second to that raised by the Honourable Member for West Vancouver-Garibaldi. I refer the Honourable Member to Standing Order 35 (10) (a) of this House:

"35(10) The right to move the adjournment of the House under this Standing Order is subject to the following restrictions:

(a) not more than one such motion may be made at the same sitting;"

It is my opinion that the matter raised does not satisfy the requirements of Standing Order 35 (10) (a) as leave for such a motion of adjournment under this Standing Order was already sought by another Member during the same sitting.

When there is more than one application for leave in the same sitting, the Speaker, under the provisions of Standing Order 35 (10) (a), can only entertain one such request and must give priority to the Member who first catches the Speaker's eye.

For this reason, Standing Order 35 (10) (a) disallows the Honourable Member's application.

While this finding effectively disposes of the Member's application, in these particular circumstances, I have considered the Honourable Member's statement of the matter which, in his opinion, justifies an emergency debate.

The Member referred to the need for "urgent and immediate address" in the House of issues under the responsibility of the Attorney General, which issues, in the Member's opinion, will no longer be the subject of debate because of, and here again I quote the Member's words "the inability of Members to debate those issues, due to the sudden termination of the estimates."

In his presentation of the matter, the Honourable Member referred to a decision of the Committee of Supply last Friday, April 15, 1994, to rise and report progress on the deliberations of the Attorney General's estimates and he concluded from the debate surrounding this motion that the Government had "terminated" the debate on the Attorney General's estimates.

It is not the Speaker's intention, nor is it his role, to discuss the rationale behind decisions of Committees of this House.

I refer Members to Beauchesne's 6th edition, citation 478:

"The proceedings of a committee may not be referred to in debate before they have been laid upon the Table."

It is a well established practice that within their terms of reference, Committees have total independence in their deliberations and decisions. Proceedings in Committee of Supply and indeed in any other Committee of this House cannot be brought into consideration or debate in the House except by way of a report from a Committee. I remind Members that the Committee of Supply has not presented a substantive report to the House during the current session.

There are a number of authorities which support the independence of Committees, the first of which is our own Standing Order 71 (1):

"... Procedural matters arising in Committee shall be decided in Committee."

I further refer Members to Beauchesne's 6th edition, citation 760 (3):

"The Speaker has ruled on many occasions that it is not competent for the Speaker to exercise procedural control over the committees. Committees are and must remain masters of their own procedure."

Members may also wish to consult Erskine May's *Parliamentary Practice*, 21st edition, page 618 and British Columbia *Journals*, February 14, 1968, page 52 on the same subject.

I also wish to remind Members that the Government does have unfettered discretion in calling Government business, both in the House and in Committee of Supply, a practice which is followed in the United Kingdom and in Ottawa.

Hence, it would be difficult to justify an emergency debate predicated on an alleged Government initiative in the Committee of Supply, based, in any event, on an absolute right and power which the Government exercises every day without provoking the need for emergency debates on other matters not before the House.

On technical grounds and for the substantive reasons outlined above, I find that the matter raised by the Honourable Member cannot succeed.

EMERY BARNES, Speaker

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks and Ministry Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights).

(In Committee)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.58 a.m.

Thursday, April 21, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

On the motion of Mr. *Symons*, Bill (No. M215) intituled *Uranium Moratorium Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. M. F. Harcourt (Premier) made a ministerial statement regarding the Federal Liberal Government's social security reform.

Mr. Gingell made a statement.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services).

(IN THE HOUSE)

The House resumed the adjourned debate on Motion 43: "Be it resolved that this House condemns the Federal Liberal Government's Bill C-18 which shortchanges British Columbia of two seats in the House of Commons and that this House calls upon the Senate to reject this unfair legislation."

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to *nemine contradicente* on the following division.

YEAS—52		
Miller	Dalton	Jarvis
Smallwood	Farrell-Collins	Anderson
MacPhail	Gingell	Warnke
Blencoe	Hanson	K. Jones
Lovick	Serwa	M. de Jong
Pullinger	Mitchell	Symons
Janssen	Wilson	H. De Jong
Evans	Tyabji	Hartley
Randall	Jackson	Lali
Beattie	Sawicki	Copping
Farnworth	Simpson	Brewin
Doyle	Streifel	Krog
Chisholm	Tanner	Kasper
	Smallwood MacPhail Blencoe Lovick Pullinger Janssen Evans Randall Beattie Farnworth Doyle	Smallwood Farrell-Collins MacPhail Gingell Blencoe Hanson Lovick Serwa Pullinger Mitchell Janssen Wilson Evans Tyabji Randall Jackson Beattie Sawicki Farnworth Simpson Doyle Streifel

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks and Ministry Responsible for Multicultarlism and Human Rights).

(IN COMMITTEE)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.55 p.m.

Friday, April 22, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

The Clerk of the House informed the House of the unavoidable absence of the Speaker, whereupon Mr. *Lovick*, Deputy Speaker, took the Chair, pursuant to Standing Order 12.

Prayers by Mr. Lovick.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

The Hon. *M. Sihota* (Minister of Environment, Lands and Parks and Minister Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights) made a ministerial statement regarding Earth Day.

Mr. Hurd made a statement.

By leave, Mr. Serwa made a statement.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks and Ministry Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights).

(In Committee — Section B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 12.27 p.m.

Monday, April 25, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Streifel.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. D. Miller (Minister of Skills, Training and Labour) tabled the following:

Ministry of Labour and Consumer Services Annual Report, 1992-1993;

Workers' Compensation Board of British Columbia Annual Report, 1993; and

Labour Relations Board Annual Report, 1993.

The Hon. *J. Cashore* (Minister of Aboriginal Affairs) tabled the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs Annual Report, 1992/1993.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

By leave, Mr. Weisgerber tabled a copy of a letter from B.C. Ferry Corporation with attached report.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs).

(IN THE HOUSE)

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 32) intituled *BC Forest Renewal Act*, a debate arose. The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. Jackson, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.51 p.m.

Tuesday, April 26, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Ms. Hammell.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs).

(In the House)

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 32) intituled *BC Forest Renewal Act*.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. Streifel, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.51 a.m.

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Tuesday, April 26, 1994

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

By leave, Mr. Weisgerber tabled a document received from the Ministry of Transportation and Highways, pursuant to the Peat Marwick Report, 1992.

The Hon. C. Gabelmann (Attorney General) tabled the British Columbia Police Commission Annual Report, 1992/1993.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs).

(IN THE HOUSE)

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 32) intituled BC Forest Renewal Act.

The debate continued.

On the motion of the Hon. J. Pement, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.54 p.m.

Wednesday, April 27, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Ms. Hagen.

The Hon. C. Gabelmann (Attorney General) made a ministerial statement with regard to the appointment of Madam Justice Jo-Ann E. Prowse to conduct an independent public commission of inquiry into the corrections branch's decision to transfer Danny Perrault to the New Haven Correctional Centre; and with regard to the creation of an independent investigation, inspection and standards office in the Ministry of the Attorney General.

Mr. Dalton made a statement.

The Hon. *C. Gabelmann* (Attorney General) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith a Bill (No. 33) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act*, 1994 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, April 27, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

By leave, on the motion of the Hon. *G. Clark*, it was *Ordered* that leave be given for the Select Standing Committee on Finance, Crown Corporations and Government Services to meet while the House is in session today.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services).

(In the House)

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 32) intituled *BC Forest Renewal Act*.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. Lali, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

(In Committee — Section A)

- 44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$354,847 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1995.
- 45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$102,113,153 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1995.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

By agreement, summary debate of estimates passed in Section A (Ministry of Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.50 p.m.

Thursday, April 28, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Giesbrecht.

The Hon. D. Miller (Minister of Skills, Training and Labour) made a ministerial statement recognizing April 28, 1994, as a day of mourning for workers killed or injured on the job in British Columbia.

Mr. Farrell-Collins made a statement.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Section A of Committee of Supply having reported the last vote of the Estimates of the Ministry of Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services, debate on those Estimates was summarized, pursuant to Sessional Order of April 6, 1994.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 32) intituled *BC Forest Renewal Act*.

The debate continued.

By agreement, Mr. *Randall* made a statement with regard to the official day of mourning for workers killed or injured on the job in British Columbia, and the House observed a minute of silence.

The debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 32) intituled *BC Forest Renewal Act* resumed.

On the motion of Mr. Janssen, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 11.51 a.m.

Thursday, April 28, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

The Hon. *P. Ramsey* (Minister of Health and Minister Responsible for Seniors) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

ALLAN McEachern

Administrator

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 27) intituled *Medical Practitioners Amendment Act, 1994* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, April 14, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

By leave, Mr. *Chisholm* tabled a copy of a document described as a ministerial statement from the Hon. *D. Zirnhelt*, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

The Hon. *P. Priddy* (Minister of Women's Equality) made a ministerial statement with regard to Child Care Month, and the opening of six new child care centres.

Ms. Stephens made a statement.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Government Services and Ministry Responsible for Sports and Commonwealth Games).

(IN THE HOUSE)

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 32) intituled *BC Forest Renewal Act*.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		Yeas—42	
Petter	Giesbrecht	Randall	Lord
Sihota	Smallwood	Beattie	Fox
Priddy	Harcourt	Farnworth	Neufeld
Charbonneau	Gabelmann	Doyle	H. De Jong
O'Neill	Clark	Hanson	Hartley
Garden	MacPhail	Mitchell	Lali
Perry	Ramsey	Jackson	Schreck
Hagen	Blencoe	Sawicki	Brewin
Hammell	Lovick	Simpson	Krog
B. Jones	Janssen	Streifel	Kasper
Lortie	Evans	v	•
		Nays—10	
Reid	Stephens	Warnke	M. de Jong
Farrell-Collins	Wilson	K. Jones	Symons
Hurd	Tanner		ř

Bill (No. 32) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 10) intituled *School Amendment Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

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Bill (No. 10) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 11) intituled *Cemetery and Funeral Services Amendment Act, 1994* was committed and reported complete with amendment.

Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 5) intituled *Family Relations Amendment Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 5) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

 $(In\ Committee - Section\ A)$

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.06 p.m.

Friday, April 29, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Krog.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks and Ministry Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights).

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 12.33 p.m.

Monday, May 2, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Anderson.

Ms. Brewin requested that congratulations be forwarded to the new Government of South Africa.

The Speaker advised the House that he would convey the good wishes of the Members of the Legislative Assembly to the new Government and to the people of South Africa.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. Wilson asked leave, pursuant to Standing Order 35, to move adjournment of the House to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, the comments made today in British Columbia by the Federal Leader of the Official Opposition regarding the separation of Quebec.

Mr. Farrell-Collins made representations.

The Speaker stated that he would take the matter under advisement.

By leave, Mr. Dalton tabled a copy of a statement on the Pacific Salmon Treaty.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

By leave, on the motion of the Hon. *G. Clark*, it was *Ordered* that leave be given for the following Select Standing Committees to meet while the House is in session tomorrow:

Select Standing Committee on Forests, Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources.

Select Standing Committee on Environment and Tourism.

Select Standing Committee on Transportation, Municipal Affairs and Housing.

Select Standing Committee on Aboriginal Affairs.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs).

(IN THE HOUSE)

Bill (No. 11) intituled *Cemetery and Funeral Services Amendment Act, 1994*, was read a third time and passed.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 15) intituled *Corporation Capital Tax Amendment Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 15) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 19) intituled *Taxation Statutes Amendment Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 19) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 18) intituled *Medical and Health Care Services Special Account Act*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 18) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

The House recessed for ten minutes.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 16) intituled *Mineral Tax Amendment Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 16) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. *E. Cull* (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) tabled the Report of Guarantees and Indemnities Issued and Authorized by Treasury Board or the Lieutenant Governor in Council for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1993.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 7) intituled *Financial Administration Amendment Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 7) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 17) intituled *Property Transfer Tax Amendment Act,* 1994, a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

Sihota	Yeas—37		
	Giesbrecht	Evans	Simpson
Marzari	Miller	Beattie	Fox
Pement	Smallwood	Farnworth	Neufeld
Priddy	Cull	Conroy	H. De Jong
Cashore	Clark	Doyle	Boone
Garden	MacPhail	Hanson	Hartley
Perry	Lovick	Wilson	Copping
Dosanjh	Pullinger	Tyabji	Krog
Hammell	Janssen	Jackson	Kasper
Lortie			•

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Nays—13

ChisholmGingellJarvisK. JonesDaltonStephensAndersonM. de JongFarrell-CollinsTannerWarnkeSymonsHurdSymons

Bill (No. 17) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 6) intituled *Insurance Amendment Act, 1994*, was committed and reported complete with amendment.

Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.37 p.m.

Tuesday, May 3, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Chisholm.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs).

(In the House)

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 20) intituled *Local Government Grants Act*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 20) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

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Bill (No. 19) intituled Taxation Statutes Amendment Act, 1994, was committed.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 12.03 p.m.

Tuesday, May 3, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

The Speaker delivered his reserved opinion as follows:

Honourable Members:

On Monday last, the Honourable Member for Powell River-Sunshine Coast sought to move an adjournment of the House pursuant to Standing Order 35 to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, comments attributed to the Leader of the Official Opposition in Ottawa with reference to the separation of Quebec from Canada. Notice was received in the Speaker's Office for which I thank the Honourable Member.

Standing Order 35 (1) provides for adjournment of the House "for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance". The proposed matter for discussion must relate to a genuine and immediate emergency, calling for immediate and urgent debate on a clear and definite matter, such that the ordinary daily business of the House would be set aside. The words "urgent public importance" in the standing order suggest a sudden or unexpected occurrence — hence the essential element of suddenness must be present.

I think all Honourable Members would agree that, while the matter he raises is of public importance for the Province of British Columbia and indeed for Canada, it has been a continuing and long standing situation of concern which, in my opinion, cannot be brought forward under Standing Order 35.

I remind members that the matter of the separation of Quebec from Canada is of long standing and not of sudden occurrence.

Moreover, I remind the Honourable Member that during the recent Throne Speech Debate, there was ample opportunity to debate the matter. The issue was as current then as it is now. (*Debates of the House of Commons*, Ottawa, November 9, 1976, page 893.)

For the above reasons, I find that the matter raised does not meet the requirements of Standing Order 35, and I must rule accordingly.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *C. Gabelmann* (Attorney General) made a ministerial statement regarding British Columbia joining the Federal and Alberta governments, and Municipal governments in the Lower Mainland, to participate in the Canatex 2 exercise dealing with earthquake preparedness.

Mr. Dalton made a statement.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs).

(IN THE HOUSE)

Bill (No. 19) intituled *Taxation Statutes Amendment Act, 1994*, was again committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 17) intituled *Property Transfer Tax Amendment Act, 1994*, was committed and reported complete with amendment.

Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 3) intituled *Manufactured Home Amendment Act, 1994*, was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 16) intituled *Mineral Tax Amendment Act, 1994*, was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 18) intituled *Medical and Health Care Services Special Account Act*, was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 14) intituled Budget Measures Implementation Act, 1994, was committed.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Hon. E. Cull advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

And then the House adjourned at 5.58 p.m.

Wednesday, May 4, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Gingell.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *C. Gabelmann* (Attorney General) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM *Lieutenant Governor*

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 9) intituled *Limitation Amendment Act*, 1994 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, May 2, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs followed by the Ministry of Transportation and Highways).

(In the House)

Bill (No. 32) intituled BC Forest Renewal Act was committed.

In consideration of a proposed amendment on the Order Paper to section 2 of Bill (No. 32) the Committee divided.

The amendment was defeated on the following division:

		Yeas—20	
Chisholm	Hurd	Tyabji	K. Jones
Dalton	Gingell	Tanner	M. de Jong
Reid	Hanson	Jarvis	Symons
Campbell	Serwa	Anderson	Fox
Farrell-Collins	Mitchell	Warnke	Neufeld
		Nays—35	
Petter	Dosanjh	MacPhail	Sawicki
Sihota	Hammell	Ramsey	Simpson
Pement	B. Jones	Barlee	Hartley
Priddy	Lortie	Pullinger	Schreck
Cashore	Giesbrecht	Janssen	Copping
Zirnhelt	Miller	Evans	Brewin
Garden	Cull	Farnworth	Krog
Perry	Gabelmann	Conroy	Kasper
Hagen	Clark	Doyle	

Mr. Mitchell moved a proposed amendment to section 2 of Bill (No. 32) as follows:

SECTION 2, Line 1:

that all the words after the words "British Columbia" be deleted and the following substituted therefore:

"by maintaining and enhancing the timber supply of the province through enhancement of the productive capacity and environmental value of forest lands, creating jobs, providing training for forest workers and strengthening communities."

The amendment was defeated on the following division:

		Yeas—17	
Chisholm	Hurd	Tyabji	K. Jones
Dalton	Stephens	Tanner	Symons
Reid	Hanson	Jarvis	Fox
Campbell	Mitchell	Anderson	Neufeld
Farrell-Collins			, and the second
		Nays—32	
Petter	Perry	Clark	Doyle
Sihota	Hagen	Ramsey	Simpson
Pement	Dosanjh	Barlee	Hartley
Priddy	Hammell	Pullinger	Schreck
Cashore	Lortie	Janssen	Copping
Zirnhelt	Giesbrecht	Evans	Brewin
O'Neill	Cull	Beattie	Krog
Garden	Gabelmann	Conroy	Kasper

In consideration of a proposed amendment on the Order Paper to section 3 (1) of Bill (No. 32) the Committee divided.

The amendment was defeated on the following division:

Chisholm Dalton Reid Campbell	Farrell-Collins Hurd Gingell Stephens	YEAS—14 Tanner Jarvis Anderson	Warnke K. Jones Symons
		Nays—39	
Petter	Hammell	Janssen	Simpson
Pement	Lortie	Evans	Fox
Priddy	Giesbrecht	Farnworth	Neufeld
Cashore	Miller	Conroy	Hartley
Zirnhelt	Cull	Doyle	Schreck
O'Neill	Gabelmann	Weisgerber	Copping
Garden	Clark	Hanson	Brewin
Perry	Ramsey	Serwa	Krog
Hagen	Barlee	Tyabji	Kasper
Dosanjh	Pullinger	Sawicki	•

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$319,041 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1995.

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10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$28,987,959 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1995.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply having reported the last vote of the Estimates of the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs, debate on those Estimates was summarized, pursuant to Sessional Order of April 6, 1994.

And then the House adjourned at 5.47 p.m.

EMERY BARNES, Speaker

Thursday, May 5, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Farrell-Collins.

By leave, Dr. Perry presented a petition.

By leave, Mr. *Hartley* presented a petition.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Transportation and Highways).

(IN THE HOUSE)

Bill (No. 32) intituled BC Forest Renewal Act was again committed.

Mr. *Hurd* moved a proposed amendment to section 3 of Bill (No. 32) as follows:

SECTION 3 (1), after the words "all to be appointed by Lieutenant Governor in Council" add the following: "and must be representative of industry, labour, First Nations, environmentalists, academics, communities and government, as well as reflect the regional diversity of British Columbia."

The amendment was defeated, on division.

In consideration of section 3 of Bill (No. 32) the Committee divided as follows:

		Yeas—31	
Petter	B. Jones	Janssen	Streifel
Pement	Lortie	Evans	Hartley
Cashore	Giesbrecht	Randall	Schreck
Zirnhelt	Miller	Beattie	Copping
O'Neill	Gabelmann	Farnworth	Brewin
Perry	Clark	Conroy	Krog
Hagen	Ramsey	Doyle	Kasper
Hammell	Pullinger	Simpson	
		Nays—14	
Chisholm	Hurd	Tanner	Symons
Dalton	Gingell	Jarvis	Fox
Reid	Serwa	Warnke	Neufeld
Farrell-Collins	Wilson		v

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Hon. *M. Sihota* (Minister of Environment, Lands and Parks and Minister Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

ALLAN McEachern

Administrator

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 29) intituled *Environmental Assessment Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, April 14, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

And then the House adjourned at 11.51 a.m.

Thursday, May 5, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

The Hon. *M. F. Harcourt* (Premier) made a ministerial statement regarding the Supreme Court of Canada decision affecting the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway.

Mr. Symons made a statement.

By leave, Mr. Serwa made a statement.

Mr. *Mitchell* sought leave pursuant to Standing Order 37 to move that a Member be heard in response to a ministerial statement.

The Speaker ruled that Standing Order 37 is not available to a Member who is seeking leave to respond to a ministerial statement.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Transportation and Highways).

(In the House)

Bill (No. 32) intituled BC Forest Renewal Act was again committed.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks and Ministry Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights).

(In Committee)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.57 p.m.

Friday, May 6, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Dalton.

The Hon. *B. Barlee* (Minister of Small Business, Tourism and Culture) made a ministerial statement regarding George Woodcock.

Mr. Warnke made a statement.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

The Hon. *M. Sihota* (Minister of Environment, Lands and Parks and Minister Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM *Lieutenant Governor*

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 28) intituled *Land Title Amendment Act*, 1994and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 3, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks and Ministry Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights).

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 12.27 p.m.

Monday, May 9, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Serwa.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *D. Zirnhelt* (Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food) tabled the British Columbia Marketing Board Annual Report for the year ended March 31, 1993.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Transportation and Highways).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks and Ministry Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights).

(IN COMMITTEE)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.54 p.m.

Tuesday, May 10, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. H. De Jong.

The Hon. G. Clark (Minister of Employment and Investment) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 41) intituled *Community Financial Services Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 10, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Transportation and Highways).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks and Ministry Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights).

(IN COMMITTEE)

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$386,800 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks and Ministry Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1995.

Section B of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.44 a.m.

Tuesday, May 10, 1994

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. D. Miller (Minister of Skills, Training and Labour) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 37) intituled *Skills Development and Fair Wage Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, May 9, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

By leave, on the motion of the Hon. *J. MacPhail*, it was *Ordered* that leave be given for the Select Standing Committee on Education, Culture and Multiculturalism to meet today while the House is in session.

The Hon. J. MacPhail advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Transportation and Highways).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks and Ministry Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights).

(IN COMMITTEE)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(In the House)

47 The Hon. D. Zirnhelt moved —

Be it resolved that this House call on the Government of Canada to take the strongest possible stand with the United States to achieve full implementation of the Pacific Salmon Treaty's core principles — namely, an equitable sharing of salmon commensurate with national production and the rebuilding and conservation of salmon stocks — and aggressively advance British Columbia's interests in support of the salmon resource and the thousands of British Columbians that depend on it.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

Motion agreed to.

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

Wednesday, May 11, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Weisgerber.

The Hon. *P. Ramsey* (Minister of Health and Minister Responsible for Seniors) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 38) intituled *Health Statutes Amendment Act*, 1994 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 5, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. D. Miller (Minister of Skills, Training and Labour) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

ALLAN McEachern

Administrator

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 13) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act*, 1994 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

April 14, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. *D. Miller* (Minister of Skills, Training and Labour) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 23) intituled *Institute of Technology Amendment Act*, 1994 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 2, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. D. Miller (Minister of Skills, Training and Labour) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 22) intituled *College and Institute Amendment Act, 1994* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 2, 1994.

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Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

Mr. Weisgerber made a personal statement regarding party affiliation.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Upon the Member for Richmond East failing to withdraw an unparliamentary expression, the Chair ordered her to withdraw from the House for the balance of the day's sitting.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Transportation and Highways).

(In the House)

Bill (No. 32) intituled BC Forest Renewal Act was again committed.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 10) intituled School Amendment Act, 1994, was committed and reported complete with amendment.

Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.33 p.m.

Thursday, May 12, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Fox.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs).

(IN THE HOUSE)

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 27) intituled *Medical Practitioners Amendment Act,* 1994, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

Bill (No. 27) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.54 a.m.

Thursday, May 12, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

The Clerk of the House informed the House of the unavoidable absence of the Speaker, whereupon Mr. *Lovick*, Deputy Speaker, took the Chair, pursuant to Standing Order 12.

The Hon. *G. Clark* (Minister of Employment and Investment) rose on a point of order with regard to comments made in the House yesterday by the Member for Richmond East. The Speaker ruled that the matter had been dealt with at the time by the Speaker, and there was no valid point of order.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs).

(In the House)

Bill (No. 21) intituled Heritage Conservation Statutes Amendment Act, 1994 was committed.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 9) intituled *Limitation Amendment Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 9) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Ms. *Tyabji* rose on an alleged matter of privilege relating to a division earlier today in Section A of Committee of Supply.

The Speaker took the matter under advisement.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 33) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

On the motion of Mr. *Dalton*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Bill (No. 6) intituled *Insurance Amendment Act*, 1994 was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 10) intituled School Amendment Act, 1994 was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 17) intituled *Property Transfer Tax Amendment Act, 1994* was read a third time and passed.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

On the motion that Committee A rise and report progress, the Committee divided.

Motion defeated on the following division:

		YEAS—9	
Chisholm Reid Wilson	Gingell Weisgerber	Tanner Warnke	K. Jones Neufeld
		Nays—14	
Marzari	Randall	Boone	Brewin
Zirnhelt	Conroy	Lali	Krog
Garden	Jackson	Copping	Kasper
Giesbrecht	Lord		

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

Friday, May 13, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Neufeld.

Ms. *Brewin* requested that further to the Speaker's statement of May 2, 1994, the House extend an invitation to President Nelson Mandela of South Africa to attend the Commonwealth Games in Victoria.

The Speaker stated that, with the approval of the House, he would be pleased to implement the request.

The Hon. G. Clark advised the House of the passing of the Rt. Hon. John Smith, Leader of the Labour Party in Britain.

The Speaker stated that, with the approval of the House, he would convey to the family of the late Rt. Hon. John Smith the condolences of Members of the Legislative Assembly.

The Hon. *M. Sihota* (Minister of Environment, Lands and Parks and Minister Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM *Lieutenant Governor*

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 35) intituled *Waste Management Amendment Act*, 1994and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 12, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

The Speaker made a statement relating to Private Members' Statements and the requirement that they not be of a partisan nature.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Attorney General).

(In Committee — Section B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 12.28 p.m.

Monday, May 16, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by the Hon. J. Pement.

The Hon. A. Petter (Minister of Forests) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM *Lieutenant Governor*

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 34) intituled *Forest Amendment Act, 1994* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 11, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. A. Petter (Minister of Forests) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

David C. Lam

Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 40) intituled *Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 12, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. E. Cull (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) made a ministerial statement regarding disproportionate cuts in the Federal defence budget which adversely affect British Columbia.

Mr. Gingell made a statement.

Mr. Weisgerber made a statement.

By leave, Mr. Wilson made a statement.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Transportation and Highways).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Attorney General).

(In Committee)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.35 p.m.

Tuesday, May 17, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Conroy.

The Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows: *Honourable Members*:

On Thursday last, the Honourable Member for Okanagan East rose on an alleged matter of privilege stating that a motion adopted by the House "to strike Committee A as a committee of the whole with restricted membership" caused the Honourable Member to be "excluded from voting in a division" in Committee A.

This issue was canvassed as a question of privilege on April 7 last by the Honourable Member for Powell River-Sunshine Coast who then alleged that the restricted membership of Committee A denied Members, and I quote "the right to enter into debate and the right to vote".

I refer the Honourable Member to a ruling of the Chair dated April 12, 1994, on this very issue — a decision which I urge the Honourable Member to read carefully.

At that time, the Chair could not find a *prima facie* breach of privilege. The point raised by the Honourable Member for Okanagan East last week did not provide the Chair with new facts which would lead to a different conclusion on the same issue.

By a decision of the House, the membership of Committee A was established at 24 members and did not include the name of the Member for Okanagan East. Well established practice in our parliamentary system stipulates that the right to vote in a Committee of the House requires membership in that Committee, either through appointment by the House or through substitution under an established mechanism. The Member has given the Chair no indication that she duly substituted for another member of Committee A at the time of the division and was therefore not eligible to vote.

The Honourable Member referred to the Chair's undertaking to redress a situation which would improperly deny Members access to any section of a Committee of the Whole. The Member will note that the Chair alluded to access by Members to Committees of the House in terms of attendance and participation in debate and clearly not in terms of voting in a Committee.

For the above reasons and for those stated in the Chair's ruling of April 12 on this very issue, I cannot find a *prima facie* case of privilege.

EMERY BARNES, Speaker

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The Hon. C. Gabelmann advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Transportation and Highways).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Attorney General).

(In Committee — Section B)

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$424,063 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Attorney General, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1995.

- 17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$731,044,818 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Attorney General, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1995.
- 18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Attorney General, Statutory Services, to 31st March 1995.
- 19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$33,241,202 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Attorney General, Judiciary, to 31st March 1995.
- 20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$993,557 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Attorney General, Emergency Assistance, to 31st March 1995.

Section B of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN THE HOUSE)

The House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice."

Bill (No. 5) intituled Family Relations Amendment Act, 1994 was committed.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

(In Committee — Section A)

- 55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$420,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Transportation and Highways, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1995.
- 56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$683,587,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Transportation and Highways, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1995.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

By agreement, summary debate of estimates passed in Section A (Ministry of Transportation and Highways) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.47 a.m.

Tuesday, May 17, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

The Hon. *J. MacPhail* (Minister of Social Services) made a ministerial statement regarding child abuse and, by leave, tabled the Superintendent of Family and Child Service Review into the death of Matthew Vaudreuil together with the Minister's response to these findings, conclusions and recommendations.

Mr. Anderson made a statement.

Mr. Neufeld made a statement.

By leave, Ms. *Tyabji* made a statement.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Speaker tabled the following Reports of the Auditor General:

1993/94: Report 4 — Compliance-with-Authorities Audits: Statutory Tabling Requirements; Safeguarding Moveable Physical Assets; and Treatment of Unclaimed Money.

1993/94: Report 5 — Value-for-Money Audits, Ministry of Health: The Transfer of Patients from Riverview Hospital to the Community; and Psychiatrist Services.

By leave, the Hon. G. Clark (Minister of Employment and Investment) moved —

That the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts be referred the following documents issued by the Auditor General of British Columbia:

1993/94: Report 4 — Compliance-with-Authorities Audits: Statutory Tabling Requirements; Safeguarding Moveable Physical Assets; and Treatment of Unclaimed Money.

1993/94: Report 5 — Value-for-Money Audits, Ministry of Health: The Transfer of Patients from Riverview Hospital to the Community; and Psychiatrist Services.

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Section A of Committee of Supply having reported the last vote of the Estimates of the Ministry of Transportation and Highways, debate on those Estimates was summarized, pursuant to Sessional Order of April 6, 1994.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Government Services).

(IN THE HOUSE)

Bill (No. 5) intituled *Family Relations Amendment Act, 1994* was again committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 33) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act*, 1994.

The debate continued.

Bill (No. 33) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 9) intituled *Limitation Amendment Act*, 1994 was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 32) intituled BC Forest Renewal Act was again committed.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.57 p.m.

Wednesday, May 18, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Ms. Lord.

The Hon. *P. Ramsey* (Minister of Health and Minister Responsible for Seniors) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

David C. Lam *Lieutenant Governor*

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 26) intituled *Medical and Health Care Services Amendment Act, 1994* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 12, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

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The Hon. *J. MacPhail* (Minister of Social Services) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 46) intituled *Child*, *Family and Community Service Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 17, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. *J. MacPhail* (Minister of Social Services) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 45) intituled *Child*, *Youth and Family Advocacy Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 17, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Ms. *Tyabji*, Bill (No. M216) intituled *Public Officers Recall Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. *Serwa* asked leave, pursuant to Standing Order 35, to move adjournment of the House to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, the provision of public funds by the Government of Canada to the Federal Leader of the Official Opposition during his recent visit to Paris.

The Speaker stated that he would take the matter under advisement.

The Speaker tabled a Report entitled Opinion of the Commissioner of Conflict of Interest in the Matter of a Complaint by the Honourable Member for Vancouver-Quilchena with respect to Alleged Contravention of Provisions of the *Members' Conflict of Interest Act* by the Honourable Member for Cariboo South.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Government Services).

(In the House)

Bill (No. 32) intituled BC Forest Renewal Act was again committed.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered later today.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

(IN THE HOUSE)

The Hon. M. F. Harcourt (Premier) made a ministerial statement regarding the Report of the Commissioner of Conflict of Interest as it relates to the Hon. D. Zirnhelt.

Mr. Campbell made a statement.

Mr. *Fox* made a statement.

The Hon. G. Clark advised the Chair of his intention to raise a matter of privilege.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Government Services).

(IN THE HOUSE)

Bill (No. 32) intituled *BC Forest Renewal Act* was again committed and reported complete with amendment.

Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 27) intituled Medical Practitioners Amendment Act, 1994 was committed.

Ms. Reid moved a proposed amendment to section 1 of Bill (No. 27) as follows:

SECTION 1, to be amended by adding the following definition after the definition "member":

"sexual misconduct" means exploitation of the physician-patient relationship, in a sexual way, by the physician's words or actions and for the physician's selfish purposes;

The amendment was defeated on the following division:

		Yeas—19	
Chisholm	Hurd	Wilson	K. Jones
Dalton	Gingell	Tanner	M. de Jong
Reid	Stephens	Jarvis	Symons
Campbell	Hanson	Anderson	Neufeld
Farrell-Collins	Serwa	Warnke	
	Nays—32		
Petter	Dosanjh	Ramsey	Sawicki
Pement	Hammell	Blencoe	Streifel
Edwards	B. Jones	Pullinger	Lord
Zirnhelt	Giesbrecht	Janssen	Hartley
Charbonneau	Miller	Evans	Lali
O'Neill	Gabelmann	Beattie	Schreck
Garden	Clark	Doyle	Brewin
Perry	MacPhail	Jackson	Kasper

Ms. Reid moved a proposed amendment to section 2 (a) of Bill (No. 27) as follows:

SECTION 2 (a) (j.3) (iv), be amended by adding the words "within thirty (30) days" after the words "to give proper notice".

The amendment was defeated, on division.

Ms. Reid moved a proposed amendment to section 7 of Bill (No. 27) as follows:

SECTION 7, be amended by adding:

Appeals

A patient or representative of the patient may appeal to the college any decision, determination or order of the sexual misconduct review committee that affects the patient.

The amendment was defeated on the following division:

		Yeas—18	
Chisholm	Hurd	Wilson	Warnke
Dalton	Gingell	Tanner	K. Jones
Reid	Stephens	Jarvis	Symons
Campbell	Hanson	Anderson	Neufeld
Farrell-Collins	Serwa		-
		Nays—31	
Petter	Dosanjh	Ramsey	Sawicki
Pement	Hammell	Pullinger	Streifel
Edwards	B. Jones	Janssen	Lord
Zirnhelt	Lortie	Evans	Hartley
Charbonneau	Giesbrecht	Randall	Lali
O'Neill	Gabelmann	Beattie	Schreck
Garden	Clark	Doyle	Kasper
Perry	MacPhail	Jackson	•

Ms. Reid moved a proposed amendment to section 11 of Bill (No. 27) as follows:

SECTION 11, be amended by adding a new subsection (b) and changing the current subsection (b) to (c) as follows:

- (b) representative of the patient, or
- (c) if the patient is not competent to consent to treatment, a parent, guardian or committee of the patient.

The amendment was defeated, on division.

Bill (No. 27) was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 38) intituled *Health Statutes Amendment Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 38) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.56 p.m.

Thursday, May 19, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Schreck.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 37) intituled *Skills Development and Fair Wage Act*, a debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. *D. Miller*, adjourned until later today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 34) intituled *Forest Amendment Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 34) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 37) intituled *Skills Development and Fair Wage Act*.

A debate arose.

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On the motion of Mr. Hanson, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 11.53 a.m.

Thursday, May 19, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

The Hon. *D. Zirnhelt* (Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

ALLAN MCEACHERN

Administrator

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 30) intituled *Agricultural Land Commission Amendment Act, 1994* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

April 14, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. *J. Smallwood* (Minister of Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM

Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 31) intituled *Municipal Amendment Act*, 1994 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 5, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Social Services).

(IN THE HOUSE)

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 37) intituled *Skills Development and Fair Wage Act*.

A debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		Yeas—28	
Petter	Hagen	Clark	Jackson
Edwards	Dosanjh	MacPhail	Sawicki
Zirnhelt	Hammell	Pullinger	Streifel
Charbonneau	B. Jones	Janssen	Schreck
O'Neill	Lortie	Randall	Copping
Garden	Smallwood	Farnworth	Brewin
Perry	Gabelmann	Wilson	Kasper
		Nays—11	
Chisholm	Tanner	Warnke	Neufeld
Dalton	Jarvis	M. de Jong	H. De Jong
Hanson	Anderson	Symons	_

Bill (No. 37) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 4) intituled *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Amendment Act, 1994* was again committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 2) intituled *Architects Amendment Act, 1994* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Hon. *G. Clark* requested that the Speaker convey the best wishes of the Legislative Assembly to the Members for Okanagan East and Powell River-Sunshine Coast on the occasion of their wedding.

The Speaker stated that, with the approval of the House, he would be pleased to implement the request.

The Hon. G. Clark moved that the House adjourn until 2 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday next.

And then the House adjourned at 4.04 p.m.

Tuesday, May 24, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Chisholm.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *E. Cull* (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 44) intituled *Finance and Corporate Relations Statutes Amendment Act, 1994* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 18, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. J. Cashore (Minister of Aboriginal Affairs) made a ministerial statement relating to Aboriginal Awareness Week.

Mr. Warnke made a statement.

Mr. Weisgerber made a statement.

By leave, Mr. Wilson made a statement.

The Hon. *J. MacPhail* (Minister of Social Services) tabled the Annual Report of the Ministry of Social Services, 1991/92.

The Hon. G. Clark advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Social Services).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks and Ministry Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights).

(IN COMMITTEE)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Speaker delivered his reserved opinion as follows:

Honourable Members:

On Wednesday, May 18th, the Member for Okanagan West sought leave to move adjournment of the House to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance pursuant to Standing Order 35.

The Member indicated to the House that the subject matter of his application concerned the provision of public funds by the Government of Canada to the Leader of the Official Opposition in the House of Commons, while on a visit to Paris.

There are a number of grounds on which the Member's application would fail, but in particular I am of the view that Standing Order 35 would not apply to a matter coming within the exclusive jurisdiction of the Government of Canada, and clearly not involving the administrative responsibilities of any ministry of the Province of British Columbia.

Members may wish to review the Speaker's Opinions to be found at pages 32 and 48 of the *Journals* of the Legislative Assembly of 1984, both of which dealt with matters under the exclusive jurisdiction of the Federal Government.

Accordingly, the matter must fail.

EMERY BARNES, Speaker

And then the House adjourned at 5.28 p.m.

Wednesday, May 25, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Gingell.

The Hon. *E. Barnes* (Speaker) tabled a report from the Ombudsman entitled Public Report No. 33 — LISTENING A Review of Riverview Hospital.

The Hon. D. Miller (Minister of Skills, Training and Labour) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 39) intituled *Skills, Training and Labour Statutes Amendment Act, 1994* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 18, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

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The Hon. D. Miller (Minister of Skills, Training and Labour) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

David C. Lam
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 43) intituled *Fishing Collective Bargaining Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 24, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. A. Edwards (Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources) made a ministerial statement relating to Mining Week.

Mr. Jarvis made a statement.

Mr. Neufeld made a statement.

By leave, the Hon. *D. Miller* (Minister of Skills, Training and Labour) tabled the Kelleher Report on Collective Bargaining Legislation for the Fishing Industry.

Dr. Perry presented a petition.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Social Services).

(In the House)

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 41) intituled *Community Financial Services Act*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

Mr. Campbell moved the following amendment:

"That the motion for second reading of Bill 41 be amended by deleting all the words after "that" and substituting therefore the following "Bill 41 not be read a second time, but that the subject matter be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Finance, Crown Corporations and Government Services."

The debate on the amendment continued.

On the motion of Mr. *Symons*, the debate on the amendment was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.57 p.m.

Thursday, May 26, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Symons.

The Hon. *J. Smallwood* (Minister of Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 50) intituled *Residential Tenancy Amendment Act*, 1994 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 25, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. *J. Smallwood* (Minister of Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

David C. Lam *Lieutenant Governor*

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 47) intituled *Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services Statutes Amendment Act*, 1994 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 25, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Social Services).

(IN THE HOUSE)

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 44) intituled *Finance and Corporate Relations Statutes Amendment Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 44) read a second time, on division, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 14) intituled Budget Measures Implementation Act, 1994, was again committed.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.57 a.m.

Thursday, May 26, 1994

Two o'clock p.m.

The Hon. *E. Cull* (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) made a ministerial statement with regard to British Columbia's credit rating.

Mr. Gingell made a statement.

Mr. Weisgerber made a statement.

By leave, Mr. *Chisholm* tabled letters from the Aboriginal Fishing Vessel Owners Association of British Columbia and the Fishing Vessel Owners' Association of British Columbia.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Social Services).

(IN THE HOUSE)

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 41) intituled *Community Financial Services Act*.

The debate on the amendment continued.

The House divided.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:

	Yeas—10	
Hurd	Warnke	M. de Jong
Gingell	K. Jones	Symons
Anderson		•
	Nays—35	
Giesbrecht	Beattie	H. De Jong
Smallwood	Farnworth	Boone
Cull	Doyle	Hartley
Clark	Hanson	Lali
MacPhail	Serwa	Copping
Barlee	Wilson	Brewin
Blencoe	Jackson	Krog
Janssen	Streifel	Kasper
Randall	Neufeld	•
	Gingell Anderson Giesbrecht Smallwood Cull Clark MacPhail Barlee Blencoe Janssen	Hurd Warnke Gingell K. Jones Anderson NAYS—35 Giesbrecht Beattie Smallwood Farnworth Cull Doyle Clark Hanson MacPhail Serwa Barlee Wilson Blencoe Jackson Janssen Streifel

The debate resumed on the main motion.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		Yeas—32	
Edwards	Lortie	Lovick	Streifel
Charbonneau	Giesbrecht	Janssen	Anderson
O'Neill	Smallwood	Randall	Boone
Garden	Cull	Beattie	Hartley
Perry	Clark	Farnworth	Lali
Hagen	MacPhail	Doyle	Copping
Dosanjh	Barlee	Jackson	Brewin
Hammell	Blencoe	Sawicki	Kasper
		Nays—9	
Farrell-Collins	Weisgerber	Serwa	Fox
Hurd Gingell	Hanson	K. Jones	Neufeld

Bill (No. 41) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 14) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 1994* was again committed and reported complete with amendment.

Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting.

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(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 6.09 p.m.

Friday, May 27, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. K. Jones.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Government Services and Ministry Responsible for Sports and Commonwealth Games).

(In Committee — Section B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 12.15 p.m.

Monday, May 30, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. H. De Jong.

The Hon. *C. Gabelmann* (Attorney General) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 49) intituled *Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act*, 1994 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 26, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. *D. Zirnhelt* (Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food) made a ministerial statement regarding the current status of the Pacific Salmon Treaty negotiations with the United States.

Mr. *Chisholm* made a statement.

Mr. Hanson made a statement.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The Hon. E. Cull (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) tabled the following:

Statement of 1992/93 Borrowings Pursuant to Section 41.5 of the *Financial Administration Act*, Schedule A and Schedule B.

Statement of 1993/94 Borrowings Pursuant to Section 41.5 of the *Financial Administration Act*, Schedule A and Schedule B.

Bill (No. 14) intituled Budget Measures Implementation Act, 1994 was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 32) intituled BC Forest Renewal Act was read a third time and passed.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Finance and Corporate Relations).

(IN THE HOUSE)

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 40) intituled Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Act, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to *nemine contradicente* on the following division:

YEAS-48

Petter Gabelmann Dalton Jarvis Priddy Clark Hurd Anderson **Edwards** Blencoe Gingell Warnke Stephens Cashore Lovick M. de Jong Zirnhelt Pullinger Weisgerber Symons O'Neill Janssen Hanson Fox Garden Evans Serwa Neufeld Dosanjh Wilson H. De Jong Randall Hammell Jackson Hartley Reattie B. Jones Schreck Farnworth Sawicki Lortie Conroy Streifel Krog CullChisholm Tanner Kasper

Bill (No. 40) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 30) intituled *Agricultural Land Commission Amendment Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

On the motion of Mr. Wilson, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

(In Committee — Section A)

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.56 p.m.

Tuesday, May 31, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Neufeld.

The Hon. *E. Cull* (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM *Lieutenant Governor*

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 52) intituled *Public Education Labour Relations Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 30, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The Hon. G. Clark advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Social Services).

(IN THE HOUSE)

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 30) intituled *Agricultural Land Commission Amendment Act*, 1994.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. Farnworth, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.57 a.m.

Tuesday, May 31, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

The Hon. *C. Gabelmann* (Attorney General) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 51) intituled *Family Maintenance Enforcement Amendment Act, 1994* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 30, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Social Services).

(IN THE HOUSE)

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 30) intituled *Agricultural Land Commission Amendment Act*, 1994.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		Yeas—49	
Marzari	Harcourt	Conroy	Jarvis
Priddy	Gabelmann	Chisholm	Anderson
Edwards	Clark	J. Dalton	Warnke
Zirnhelt	MacPhail	Farrell-Collins	K. Jones
Garden	Ramsey	Hurd	Symons
Perry	Barlee	Gingell	Boone
Hagen	Pullinger	Stephens	Hartley
Dosanjh	Janssen	Jackson	Lali
Hammell	Evans	Sawicki	Schreck
B. Jones	Randall	Streifel	Copping
Lortie	Beattie	Lord	Krog
Smallwood	Farnworth	Tanner	Kasper
Cull			
		Nays—8	
Weisgerber	Serwa	Tyabji	Neufeld
Hanson	Wilson	Fox	H. De Jong

Bill (No. 30) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 12) intituled *Library Act*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 12) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 25) intituled *Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

Mr. *Fox* moved the following amendment:

That the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 25) be amended by deleting all the words after "that" and substituting therefor the following:

"Bill (No. 25) not to be read a second time, but that the subject matter be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Transportation, Municipal Affairs and Housing."

The debate on the amendment continued.

The House divided.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:

		YEAS—'/	
Weisgerber	Serwa	Fox	H. De Jong
Hanson	Tyabji	Neufeld	
		Nays—50	
Marzari	Cull	Conroy	Warnke
Priddy	Gabelmann	Chisholm	K. Jones
Edwards	Clark	J. Dalton	M. de Jong
Zirnhelt	MacPhail	Farrell-Collins	Symons
Garden	Ramsey	Hurd	Boone
Perry	Barlee	Jackson	Hartley
Hagen	Blencoe	Sawicki	Lali
Dosanjh	Pullinger	Streifel	Schreck
Hammell	Janssen	Lord	Copping
B. Jones	Evans	Tanner	Brewin
Lortie	Randall	Jarvis	Krog
Miller	Beattie	Anderson	Kasper
Smallwood	Farnworth		

The debate was resumed on the main motion.

Bill (No. 25) read a second time, on division, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 15) intituled *Corporation Capital Tax Amendment* Act, 1994 was committed and reported complete, with amendment.

Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting.

(In Committee — Section A)

- 53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$392,165 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Social Services, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1995.
- 54. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,735,588,835 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Social Services, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1995.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

By agreement, summary debate of estimates passed in Section A (Ministry of Social Services) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.21 p.m.

Wednesday, June 1, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Fox.

The Hon. A. Edwards (Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 42) intituled *Petroleum Corporation Repeal Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, June 1, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Finance and Corporate Relations).

(IN THE HOUSE)

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 22) intituled *College and Institute Amendment Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

	Yeas—52		
Petter	B. Jones	Beattie	Anderson
Marzari	Lortie	Chisholm	K. Jones
Pement	Giesbrecht	Dalton	Symons
Priddy	Miller	Reid	Fox
Edwards	Cull	Farrell-Collins	Neufeld
Cashore	Gabelmann	Hurd	Boone
Charbonneau	Clark	Stephens	Hartley
O'Neill	MacPhail	Weisgerber	Lali
Garden	Ramsey	Hanson	Schreck
Perry	Blencoe	Jackson	Copping
Hagen	Janssen	Simpson	Brewin
Dosanjh	Evans	Tanner	Krog
Hammell	Randall	Jarvis	Kasper
		Nays—2	
Wilson	Tyabji		

Bill (No. 22) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

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On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 23) intituled *Institute of Technology Amendment Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 23) read a second time, on division, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 13) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

On the motion of Mr. Warnke, the debate was adjourned until later today.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

The House recessed for forty minutes.

THIRTY-FIVE MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Government Services and Ministry Responsible for Sports and Commonwealth Games).

(In the House)

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 13) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act*, 1994.

Bill (No. 13) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

By leave, Mr. *Chisholm* tabled copies of letters relating to a claim before the Workers' Compensation Board.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 39) intituled *Skills, Training and Labour Statutes Amendment Act, 1994*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 39) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 8) intituled *Accountants (Management) Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

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Bill (No. 37) intituled *Skills Development and Fair Wage Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 9.31 p.m.

Thursday, June 2, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Weisgerber.

The Speaker declared a short recess.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor having entered the House, and being seated in the Chair — *Ian D. Izard*, Esq., Law Clerk and Clerk Assistant, read the titles to the following Bills:

Bill (No. 2) Architects Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 3) Manufactured Home Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 4) Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 5) Family Relations Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 6) Insurance Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 9) Limitation Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 10) School Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 11) Cemetery and Funeral Services Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 14) Budget Measures Implementation Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 16) Mineral Tax Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 17) Property Transfer Tax Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 18) Medical and Health Care Services Special Account Act.

Bill (No. 19) Taxation Statutes Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 27) Medical Practitioners Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 32) BC Forest Renewal Act.

His Honour was pleased in Her Majesty's name to give assent to the said Bills.

The said assent was announced by *E. George MacMinn*, Q.C., Clerk of the House, in the following words:

"In Her Majesty's name, His Honour the Lieutenant Governor does assent to these Bills."

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Finance and Corporate Relations).

(IN THE HOUSE)

Bill (No. 22) intituled College and Institute Amendment Act, 1994 was committed.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.52 a.m.

Thursday, June 2, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

The Speaker made a statement as follows:

Honourable Members:

Members of the House may have noticed that at the start of this session the publications of the House, including Orders of the Day, Votes and Proceedings, Bills and Hansard were changed in size. I am pleased to advise that the simple change to a standard paper size has resulted in a dramatic decrease in the amount of printed material, without changing the content, and was achieved through co-operation of this House, the Queen's Printer and Legislative Counsel.

A further change as to content is being made beginning today. On Tuesday and Thursday when the House sits twice, the afternoon printing of the Order Paper will no longer contain Notices of Motion and Written Questions, to avoid unnecessary duplication. Notices of Motion and Written Questions will be incorporated by reference to the morning Order Paper. This initiative will reduce today's afternoon Order Paper by 15 pages and our printing requirements by approximately 21,000 pages a week with corresponding cost benefits.

I would like to thank all of the Members of the House for their co-operation in implementing this improvement.

The Hon. A. Edwards (Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources) made a ministerial statement relating to a decision made on an appeal to the Motor Carrier Commission.

Mr. Farrell-Collins made a statement.

Mr. Weisgerber made a statement.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. Wilson rose on an alleged matter of privilege relating to the Estimates of the Ministry of Finance and Corporate Relations being held in Committee A at the same time as legislation was being concurrently considered in the House.

The Hon. G. Clark made representations.

Mr. Gingell made representations.

The Speaker stated that he would take the matter under advisement.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Finance and Corporate Relations).

(IN THE HOUSE)

Bill (No. 22) intituled College and Institute Amendment Act, 1994 was again committed.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered later today.

Bill (No. 39) intituled *Skills, Training and Labour Statutes Amendment Act, 1994* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 13) intituled Workers Compensation Amendment Act, 1994 was committed.

Mr. Hanson moved a proposed amendment to section 5 of Bill (No. 13) as follows:

SECTION 5, 8.1 (2) (b) be amended by the addition of the words "administration costs" between the words "rehabilitation costs" and "or health care costs."

The amendment was defeated, on division.

Bill (No. 13) was reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

By leave, the Hon. A. Edwards (Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources) tabled documents referred to in her ministerial statement earlier today relating to a decision of the Motor Carrier Commission.

Bill (No. 22) intituled College and Institute Amendment Act, 1994 was again committed.

In consideration of section 9 contained within section 3 of Bill (No. 22) the Committee divided as follows:

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		Yeas—28	
Priddy	Lortie	Pullinger	Boone
Edwards	Giesbrecht	Evans	Hartley
Cashore	Miller	Conroy	Lali
Charbonneau	Cull	Jackson	Schreck
Garden	Gabelmann	Sawicki	Copping
Hammell	Clark	Simpson	Brewin
B. Jones	Ramsey	Streifel	Krog
		Nays—17	
Chisholm	Stephens	Wilson	M. de Jong
Dalton	Weisgerber	Jarvis	Symons
Farrell-Collins	Hanson	Anderson	Fox
Hurd Gingell	Serwa	K. Jones	H. De Jong
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The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered later today.

The Hon. G. Clark sought leave to move a motion.

Leave was not granted.

By leave, Mr. Farrell-Collins moved —

Be it resolved that this House, mindful of the need to encourage tolerance of all religious faiths, congratulates all branches of the Royal Canadian Legion that allow entry to members of every religious faith, regardless of belief or dress and calls upon all other branches to follow this example.

On the motion of the Hon. M. Sihota, the debate was adjourned until later today.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

The House recessed for thirty-five minutes.

THIRTY-FIVE MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Finance and Corporate Relations followed by the Ministry of Education).

(IN THE HOUSE)

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion: "Be it resolved that this House, mindful of the need to encourage tolerance of all religious faiths, congratulates all branches of the Royal Canadian Legion that allow entry to members of every religious faith, regardless of belief or dress and calls upon all other branches to follow this example."

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to *nemine contradicente* on the following division:

	Yeas—48		
Priddy	Clark	Weisgerber	K. Jones
Zirnhelt	Ramsey	Hanson	M. de Jong
Charbonneau	Lovick	Serwa	Symons
Garden	Pullinger	Wilson	Fox
Perry	Janssen	Jackson	H. De Jong
Hammell	Evans	Sawicki	Boone
B. Jones	Conroy	Simpson	Hartley
Lortie	Dalton	Streifel	Lali
Giesbrecht	Reid	Tanner	Schreck
Miller	Hurd	Jarvis	Copping
Cull	Gingell	Anderson	Brewin
Gabelmann	Stephens	Warnke	Krog

Bill (No. 41) intituled Community Financial Services Act was committed.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

- 33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$342,581 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Finance and Corporate Relations, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1995.
- 34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$73,658,885 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Finance and Corporate Relations, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1995.
- 35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Finance and Corporate Relations, Pensions Administration, to 31st March 1995.
- 59. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$981,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Management of Public Funds and Debt, to 31st March 1995.
- 60. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$45,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Contingencies (All Ministries) and New Programs, to 31st March 1995.
- 61. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,614,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Corporate Accounting System, to 31st March 1995.
- 62. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,513,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Public Sector and Public Service Human Resource Management, to 31st March 1995.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

By agreement, summary debate of Estimates passed in Section A (Ministry of Finance and Corporate Relations) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 10.06 p.m.

Friday, June 3, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Hanson.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Mr. Warnke advised the Chair of his intention to raise a matter of privilege.

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Government Services and Ministry Responsible for Sports and Commonwealth Games).

 $(\hbox{In Committee} - \hbox{Section B})$

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 1.02 p.m.

Monday, June 6, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Hartley.

The Hon. *E. Cull* (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 53) intituled *Pension Statutes Amendment Act*, 1994 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

June 6, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. E. Cull (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations and Deputy Premier), made a ministerial statement regarding D-Day, and requested that the House observe a minute of silence.

Mr. Campbell made a statement.

Mr. Weisgerber made a statement.

The House observed a minute of silence.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *P. Ramsey* (Minister of Health and Minister Responsible for Seniors) made a ministerial statement regarding Seniors' Week.

Ms. Reid made a statement.

Mr. Fox made a statement.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food).

(In the House)

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 52) intituled *Public Education Labour Relations Act*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

Ms. *Tyabji* moved the following amendment:

That Bill (No. 52) be not now read a second time, because this government promised the electorate in the 1991 general election that decisions on education would remain at the local level.

The debate on the amendment continued.

The House divided.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:

	Yeas—3		
Wilson	Tyabji	H. De Jong	
		Nays—40	
Petter	B. Jones	Randall	Streifel
Sihota	Lortie	Conroy	Lorď
Pement	Miller	Doyle	Jarvis
Edwards	Cull	Dalton	M. de Jong
Zirnhelt	Clark	Farrell-Collins	Fox
Charbonneau	Ramsey	Stephens	Boone
Garden	Barlee	Weisgerber	Hartley
Hagen	Blencoe	Hanson	Copping
Dosanjh	Janssen	Sawicki	Brewin
Hammell	Evans	Simpson	Kasper

On the motion of the Hon. G. Clark, debate on the main motion was adjourned until later today.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

The House recessed for thirty-five minutes.

FORTY MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food).

(IN THE HOUSE)

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 52) intituled *Public Education Labour Relations Act*.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		Yeas—40	
Petter	Hammell	Conroy	Streifel
Sihota	Miller	Doyle	Lord
Pement	Cull	Chisholm	Jarvis
Edwards	Gabelmann	Dalton	Anderson
Zirnhelt	Clark	Stephens	M. de Jong
Charbonneau	Ramsey	Weisgerber	Fox
Garden	Barlee	Hanson	Hartley
Perry	Janssen	Jackson	Copping
Hagen	Evans	Sawicki	Brewin
Dosanjh	Randall	Simpson	Kasper
		Nays—3	
Wilson	Tyabji	H. De Jong	

Bill (No. 52) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks and Ministry Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights).

(In Committee)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 9.57 p.m.

Tuesday, June 7, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Ms. O'Neill.

The Hon. *R. Blencoe* (Minister of Government Services and Minister Responsible for Sports and Commonwealth Games) made a ministerial statement regarding the confirmation of South Africa's participation in the Commonwealth Games.

Mr. K. Jones made a statement.

Mr. Fox made a statement.

By leave, Mr. Serwa made a statement.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The Hon. G. Clark advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food).

(In the House)

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 45) intituled *Child, Youth and Family Advocacy Act*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 45) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 46) intituled *Child, Family and Community Service Act*, a debate arose.

On the motion of Mr. Anderson, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

Tuesday, June 7, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

The Hon. *C. Gabelmann* (Attorney General) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM

Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 54) intituled *Liquor Distribution Amendment Act*, 1994 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

June 6, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. *C. Gabelmann* (Attorney General) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM *Lieutenant Governor*

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 48) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No.* 2), 1994 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

June 7, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. Warnke rose on a matter of privilege relating to the position of a member who has withdrawn from debate pursuant to the Members' Conflict of Interest Act.

The Speaker took the matter under advisement.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Section A of Committee of Supply having reported the last vote of the Estimates of the Ministry of Social Services, debate on those Estimates was summarized, pursuant to Sessional Order of April 6, 1994.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food).

(IN THE HOUSE)

Bill (No. 15) intituled *Corporation Capital Tax Amendment Act, 1994* was read a third time and passed.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 46) intituled *Child, Family and Community Service Act*.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

	Yeas—39		
Petter	B. Jones	Chisholm	Anderson
Marzari	Cull	Dalton	Warnke
Pement	Gabelmann	Reid	M. de Jong
Edwards	MacPhail	Hurd	Fox
Zirnhelt	Ramsey	Weisgerber	Neufeld
Charbonneau	Blencoe	Hanson	Lali
O'Neill	Janssen	Jackson	Brewin
Garden	Farnworth	Sawicki	Krog
Perry	Conroy	Streifel	Kasper
Hammell	Doyle	Lord	

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Bill (No. 46) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 12) intituled Library Act was committed.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered later today.

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Bill (No. 52) intituled Public Education Labour Relations Act was committed.

Mr. Wilson moved a proposed amendment to section 1 of Bill (No. 52) as follows:

SECTION 1, be amended to read:

""Local matters" means terms and conditions of employment other than those designated under Section 7 as Provincial matters."

The amendment was defeated, on division.

Section 1 of Bill (No. 52) passed, on division.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered later today.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

The Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows:

Honourable Members:

On Thursday last, the Honourable Member for Powell River-Sunshine Coast rose on a matter of privilege alleging the Sessional Order adopted by the House on April 6, 1994, which provided for concurrent debates on Estimates and on Legislation in Committee A and in the House, respectively, "denied our privileges by virtue of the fact that the government, contrary to the stated intention of the House Leader, is holding two critical debates concurrently".

I thank the Honourable Member for Delta South and the Government House Leader for their contribution to this matter.

I remind the House that this very issue was raised as a question of privilege on two previous occasions during this Session by the Honourable Member for Powell River-Sunshine Coast and by the Honourable Member for Okanagan East.

In both instances, and I refer Honourable Members to the *Journals* of April 12, 1994, and May 17, 1994, the Chair could not find a *prima facie* case of privilege on the same facts.

In his current submission, the Honourable Member did not provide the Chair with new facts which would lead to a different conclusion on the same issue.

While it is important for all Members to participate as much as possible in deliberations of the House and of its Committees, Members must, in a very subjective way, decide in which venue they feel their contributions can be most helpful: in Committee A or in the House.

Any difficulty which Members encounter in this respect is solely due to a scheduling conflict relating to the Member's priorities and is clearly not due to a breach of privilege as alleged by the Honourable Member.

The Government House Leader, recognizing the dilemma that Members may face from time to time with respect to scheduling of House business, has invited Members, and I quote "to canvass with our Government House Leader and we'll try to accommodate his wishes as best we can."

The Chair recognizes and supports Members' democratic rights to raise points of order and matters of privilege but cautions Members that once the Speaker has ruled on a particular issue, the matter is no longer open to discussion, either directly through debate or indirectly through revisiting the same matter in another form.

For the above reasons and for those stated in the Chair's rulings of April 12, 1994, and May 17, 1994, on the same issue, I cannot find a *prima facie* case of privilege.

EMERY BARNES, Speaker

The House recessed for thirty-five minutes.

THIRTY-FIVE MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food).

(In the House)

Bill (No. 52) intituled *Public Education Labour Relations Act* was again committed.

In consideration of section 2 of Bill (No. 52) the Committee divided as follows:

		Yeas—34	
Petter	Cull	Chisholm	Lord
Marzari	Gabelmann	Reid	Warnke
Pement	MacPhail	Stephens	K. Jones
Edwards	Ramsey	Weisgerber	Fox
Zirnhelt	Barlee	Hanson	Neufeld
Charbonneau	Blencoe	Serwa	Lali
O'Neill	Janssen	Jackson	Brewin
Hammell	Farnworth	Streifel	Krog
B. Jones	Doyle		
		Nays—2	
	Wilson	Tyabji	

Sections 3, 4, 5 and 6 of Bill (No. 52) passed, on division.

Ms. *Tyabji* moved a proposed amendment to section 7 (4) of Bill (No. 52) as follows:

SECTION 7, Subsection (4), be amended to read:

- "In subsection (3), 'cost provisions' includes all provisions relating to
- (a) salaries.
- (b) health and welfare benefits.

- (c) class size provisions.
- (d) time worked and paid leave that substantially affect the cost of the collective agreement."

The amendment was defeated, on division.

Section 7 of Bill (No. 52) passed, on division.

In consideration of section 8 of Bill (No. 52) the Committee divided as follows:

	Yeas—37		
Petter	Miller	Doyle	Lord
Marzari	Cull	Chisholm	Anderson
Pement	Gabelmann	Reid	Warnke
Edwards	MacPhail	Farrell-Collins	K. Jones
Zirnhelt	Ramsey	Hurd	Symons
Charb	Barlee	Stephens	Fox
onneau	Blencoe	Weisgerber	Neufeld
O'Neill	Janssen	Jackson	Brewin
Garden	Farnworth	Streifel	Krog
Hammell		· ·	
B. Jones			
		Nays—3	
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Sections 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22 of Bill (No. 52), passed on division.

Schedule 1 of Bill (No. 52) passed, on division.

An amendment to Schedule 2 of Bill (No. 52) passed, on division.

Schedule 2 of Bill (No. 52), as amended, passed on division.

Bill (No. 52) was reported complete with amendment.

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 52) the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

	Yeas—34		
Petter	B. Jones	Janssen	Jackson
Marzari	Miller	Farnworth	Streifel
Pement	Cull	Doyle	Lord
Edwards	Gabelmann	Chisholm	Anderson
Zirnhelt	MacPhail	Reid	Warnke
Charbonneau	Ramsey	Farrell-Collins	K. Jones
O'Neill	Barlee	Hurd	Brewin
Garden	Blencoe	Stephens	Krog
Hammell	Lovick		
		Nays—3	
Serwa	Wilson	Tyabji	

By leave, Bill (No. 52) read a third time and passed.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$291,891 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1995.

- 12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$63,090,010 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1995.
- 13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,242,819 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, Provincial Agricultural Land Commission, to 31st March 1995.
- 14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$519,380 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, British Columbia Marketing Board, to 31st March 1995.
- 15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, Okanagan Valley Tree Fruit Authority, to 31st March 1995.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

By agreement, summary debate of estimates passed in Section A (Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 10.22 p.m.

Wednesday, June 8, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Lortie.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *J. Pement* (Minister of Transportation and Highways) tabled the British Columbia Railway Group Annual Report for 1993.

The Hon. *J. Pement* (Minister of Transportation and Highways) made a ministerial statement regarding Transportation Week, June 5-11.

Mr. Symons made a statement.

Mr. Hanson made a statement.

Mr. Lovick rose on a point of order with respect to Standing Order 40.

Mr. Farrell-Collins made a statement.

Mr. Weisgerber made a statement.

Mr. Wilson made a statement.

The Speaker took the matter under advisement.

Mr. Mitchell presented a petition relating to recall and referendum legislation.

The Hon. E. Barnes (Speaker) tabled the following:

The Annual Report of the British Columbia Legislative Library, 1993, and

The Annual Report of the Ombudsman, 1993.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Government Services and Ministry Responsible for Sports and Commonwealth Games).

(In the House)

Bill (No. 22) intituled College and Institute Amendment Act, 1994 was again committed.

Mr. Wilson moved a proposed amendment to section 10 contained within section 3 of Bill (No. 22) as follows:

SECTION 10 (3), be amended to read:

(3) Remuneration may be paid to only those members appointed to the board by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

The amendment was defeated, on division.

Section 10 contained within section 3 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

In consideration of section 11.4 contained within section 3 of Bill (No. 22), the Committee divided as follows:

		Yeas—40	
Petter	Cull	Doyle	Jarvis
Marzari	Gabelmann	Dalton	K. Jones
Edwards	Ramsey	Reid	M. de Jong
Charbonneau	Barlee	Farrell-Collins	Symons
O'Neill	Blencoe	Hurd	Hartley
Perry	Janssen	Stephens	Lali
Hammell	Evans	Jackson	Schreck
Lortie	Randall	Sawicki	Copping
Giesbrecht	Farnworth	Lord	Brewin
Miller	Conroy	Tanner	Kasper
		Nays—6	
Weisgerber Hanson	Wilson Tyabji	Fox	Neufeld

Section 11.7 contained within section 3 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Section 13.1 contained within section 3 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Section 8 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

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In consideration of section 12 of Bill (No. 22), the Committee divided as follows:

		Yeas—42	
Petter	Cull	Doyle	Jarvis
Sihota	Harcourt	Dalton	Anderson
Marzari	Gabelmann	Hurd	Fox
Edwards	Ramsey	Stephens	Neufeld
Charbonneau	Barlee	Hanson	Hartley
O'Neill	Blencoe	Jackson	Lali
Perry	Janssen	Sawicki	Schreck
Hammell	Evans	Simpson	Copping
Lortie	Randall	Lord	Brewin
Giesbrecht	Farnworth	Tanner	Kasper
Miller	Conroy		
		Nays—2	
Wilson	Tyabji		

Sections 13 and 14 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Bill (No. 22) intituled *College and Institute Amendment Act, 1994* was reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed, on division.

Bill (No. 23) intituled *Institute of Technology Amendment Act, 1994* was committed, reported complete without amendment, on division, read a third time and passed.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

The House recessed for thirty minutes.

FORTY-FIVE MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Government Services and Ministry Responsible for Sports and Commonwealth Games).

(In the House)

Bill (No. 21) intituled Heritage Conservation Statutes Amendment Act, 1994 was again committed.

Mr. Wilson moved a proposed amendment to section 15 of Bill (No. 21) as follows:

SECTION 15, be amended by adding the following section:

3.1 (6) Where an agreement under subsection (1) may affect access to Crown resources by licensed tenure holders, those licensees must be notified and provided an opportunity to be involved in the development of such agreements, including arrangements whereby they will have access to all information necessary to avoid contravention of sites protected under section 6(2).

The amendment was defeated on the following division:

		Yeas—7	
Weisgerber Hanson	Wilson Tyabji	Fox Neufeld	H. De Jong
		Nays—32	
Charbonneau	Harcourt	Doyle	Tanner
O'Neill	Gabelmann	Dalton	Jarvis
Perry	Ramsey	Farrell-Collins	Anderson
Dosanjh	Barlee	Jackson	Warnke
Hammell	Blencoe	Sawicki	Hartley
Lortie	Lovick	Simpson	Schreck
Giesbrecht	Janssen	Streifel	Copping
Miller	Conroy	Lord	Kasper

Mr. Wilson moved a proposed amendment to section 4.2 contained within section 16 of Bill (No. 21) as follows:

SECTION 4.2, (1) to add after "the designated property" "or, in the case of Crown land, the licensed tenure holder or holders that may be affected by the designation," and after owner add "or licensed tenure holders".

The amendment was defeated on the following division:

Dalton	Tyabji	Jarvis	Fox
Hanson Wilson	Tanner	Warnke	Neufeld
		Nays—28	
Marzari	Giesbrecht	Janssen	Streifel
Charbonneau	Miller	Randall	Lord
O'Neill	Harcourt	Farnworth	Hartley
Perry	Gabelmann	Doyle	Lali
Dosanjh	Ramsey	Jackson	Schreck
Hammell	Barlee	Sawicki	Copping
Lortie	Blencoe	Simpson	Kasper

In consideration of section 6 contained within section 16, as amended, of Bill (No. 21) the Committee divided as follows:

	Yeas—28		
Charbonneau	Miller	Evans	Streifel
O'Neill	Harcourt	Randall	Lord
Perry	Gabelmann	Farnworth	Hartley
Dosanjh	Ramsey	Conroy	Lali
Hammell	Barlee	Doyle	Schreck
Lortie	Blencoe	Jackson	Copping
Giesbrecht	Janssen	Sawicki	Kasper

Nays—10

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Mr. Wilson moved a proposed amendment to section 9 of Bill (No. 21) as follows:

SECTION 9, subsection 1 (1),

"cultural heritage resource" means an object, a site, or the location of a traditional societal practice that is of historical, cultural, or archaeological significance to the province, community, or an aboriginal people and has sufficient historical or physical evidence to enable it to be identified, substantiated, measured, and judged for authenticity.

The amendment was defeated on the following division:

		Yeas—2	
Wilson	Tyabji		
		Nays—36	
Charbonneau	Gabelmann	Doyle	Anderson
O'Neill	Ramsey	Dalton	Warnke
Perry	Barlee	Hanson	Fox
Dosanjh	Blencoe	Jackson	Neufeld
Hammell	Janssen	Simpson	Hartley
Lortie	Evans	Streifel	Lali
Giesbrecht	Randall	Lord	Schreck
Miller	Farnworth	Tanner	Copping
Harcourt	Conroy	Jarvis	Kasper

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 10.16 p.m.

Thursday, June 9, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Doyle.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Education).

(IN THE HOUSE)

Bill (No. 46) intituled *Child, Family and Community Service Act* was committed.

Ms. *Tyabji* moved a proposed amendment to section 1 of Bill (No. 46) as follows: **SECTION 1**, to change the definition to read:

""aboriginal child" means a child

- (a) who is registered under the *Indian Act* (Canada),
- (b) who has a biological parent who is registered under the *Indian Act* (Canada),
- (c) who is under 12 years of age and has a biological parent who
 - (i) is of aboriginal ancestry,
 - (ii) has been raised in aboriginal culture or an aboriginal community, and
 - (iii) considers himself or herself to be aboriginal, or" etc.

The amendment was defeated, on division.

Ms. *Tyabji* moved a proposed amendment to section 1 of Bill (No. 46) as follows:

SECTION 1, be amended by adding:

""aboriginal" means a person of ancestry indigenous to the province of British Columbia or the country of Canada, and for the purposes of this Act, is someone residing in an aboriginal community:"

The amendment was defeated, on division.

Ms. *Tyabji* moved a proposed amendment to section 1 of Bill (No. 46) as follows:

SECTION 1, be amended by adding:

"parent" means

- (a) the mother of the child,
- (b) the father of the child, or
- (c) the guardian,

but does not include a caregiver.

The amendment was defeated, on division.

Ms. *Tyabji* moved a proposed amendment to section 1 of Bill (No. 46) as follows:

SECTION 1, be amended by adding:

""guardian" means the person lawfully charged with the legal right, duty, and responsibility to care for a child or person, and may include those rights to care for the child or person's property;"

The amendment was defeated, on division.

Ms. *Tyabji* moved a proposed amendment to section 1 of Bill (No. 46) as follows:

SECTION 1, be changed to read:

""aboriginal community" means a body of aboriginal people living in one region or district, with a common aboriginal history, and sharing common interests;"

The amendment was defeated, on division.

Ms. *Tyabji* moved a proposed amendment to section 1 of Bill (No. 46) as follows:

SECTION 1, be amended by adding:

""community" means a body of people living in one region or district, and sharing common interests;"

The amendment was defeated, on division.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.58 a.m.

Thursday, June 9, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

The Hon. *C. Gabelmann* (Attorney General) made a ministerial statement regarding the findings of an investigation by Barbara Fisher, and by leave tabled the Report on the Process and Procedure in Supervising Jason Karl Gamache.

Mr. Dalton made a statement.

Mr. Weisgerber made a statement.

By leave, Mr. Wilson made a statement.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The Hon. *D. Miller* (Minister of Skills, Training and Labour) tabled the 1992-1993 Annual Report of the Ministry of Advanced Education, Training and Technology.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Education).

(IN THE HOUSE)

Bill (No. 46) intituled *Child, Family and Community Services Act* was again committed.

Ms. *Tyabji* moved the following proposed amendments to section 1 of Bill (No. 46):

SECTION 1, be amended by adding:

""abuse" as any form of cruelty to a person or child's emotional or physical well-being which may be subject to criminal prosecution;"

SECTION 1, be amended by adding:

""harm" the detrimental result to a person of an action; or an injury or loss to a person or child caused by any act by a person or agency;"

SECTION 1, be amended by adding:

""neglect" absence of care or attention which may result in harm and may be subject to criminal prosecution, and may mean a refusal, indifference, or unwillingness to perform a responsibility or duty;"

The amendments were defeated, on division.

A proposed amendment on the Order Paper to section 1 of Bill (No. 46) was defeated, on division.

In consideration of section 1 of Bill (No. 46), the Committee divided as follows:

		YEAS—39	
Petter	Cull	Dalton	Jarvis
Edwards	Harcourt	Hurd	Anderson
Charbonneau	Gabelmann	Gingell	Warnke
Garden	MacPhail	Stephens	Symons
Perry	Ramsey	Jackson	Lali
Hagen	Barlee	Sawicki	Copping
Dosanjh	Randall	Simpson	Brewin
Lortie	Farnworth	Streifel	Krog
Giesbrecht	Doyle	Lord	Kasper
Miller	Chisholm	Tanner	•
		Nays—5	
Weisgerber Hanson	Wilson	Tyabji	Fox

Ms. *Tyabji* moved a proposed amendment to section 2 (f) of Bill (No. 46) as follows:

SECTION 2, be amended by changing subsection (f) to read:

"the cultural identity of children is an important aspect of their ongoing education;"

The amendment was defeated, on division.

Section 2 of Bill (No. 46) was passed, on division.

Ms. *Tyabji* moved a proposed amendment to section 3 (b) of Bill (No. 46) as follows: **SECTION 3**, be amended by deleting subsection (b).

The amendment was defeated, on division.

Section 3 of Bill (No. 46) was passed, on division.

Mr. *Wilson* moved a proposed amendment to section 4 of Bill (No. 46) as follows: **SECTION 4**, be amended by deleting subsection (2).

The amendment was defeated on the following division:

Weisgerber	Hanson	Wilson	Tyabji
		Nays—36	
Petter	Cull	Chisholm	Jarvis
Edwards	Gabelmann	Dalton	Anderson
Charbonneau	MacPhail	Stephens	Warnke
Garden	Ramsey	Jackson	Symons
Perry	Barlee	Sawicki	Lali
Hagen	Blencoe	Simpson	Copping
Dosanjh	Randall	Streifel	Brewin
Lortie	Farnworth	Lord	Krog
Giesbrecht	Doyle	Tanner	Kasper

Section 4 of Bill (No. 46) was passed, on division.

Ms. *Tyabji* moved a proposed amendment to section 5 of Bill (No. 46) as follows:

SECTION 5, be amended by adding subsection (4):

"The parent may terminate the agreement at any time, if, in the opinion of the parent, the services of the director are no longer needed by the family."

The amendment was defeated, on division.

Section 5 of Bill (No. 46) was passed, on division.

Section 6, as amended, was passed, on division.

Section 7 of Bill (No. 46) was passed, on division.

Ms. *Tyabji* moved a proposed amendment to section 9 (1) of Bill (No. 46) as follows:

SECTION 9, be amended by deleting (1) (a) and renumerate subsections to add:

- (b) provides a written statement from his or her parent of the parent's unwillingness to assist, or
- (c) provides evidence to the director of his or her need for assistance,

The amendment was defeated, on division.

Sections 9 and 10 of Bill (No. 46) were passed, on division.

Mr. Weisgerber moved a proposed amendment to section 13 of Bill (No. 46) as follows:

SECTION 13, be amended by deleting paragraph (1) (e) and subsection (2) and substituting therefor the following paragraph:

(e) if the child is suffering severe emotional abuse caused by the parent's conduct;

The amendment was defeated, on division.

Ms. *Tyabji* moved a proposed amendment to section 13 (1) of Bill (No. 46) as follows: **SECTION 13**, be amended by deleting from (1) (a), (b), (c) and (d): "..., or is likely to be, ...".

The amendment was defeated, on division.

Ms. *Tyabji* moved the following proposed amendments to section 13 (1) of Bill (No. 46):

SECTION 13, subsection (1), sub-subsection (a) be amended by adding after "... parent":

"or if the director has tangible evidence that the child will be harmed;"

SECTION 13, subsection (1), sub-subsection (b) be amended by adding after "... parent":

"or if the director has tangible evidence that the child will be sexually abused or exploited;"

SECTION 13, subsection (1), sub-subsection (c) be amended by adding after "... protect the child":

"or if the director has tangible evidence that the child will be physically harmed, sexually abused or sexually exploited if the director does not intervene;"

SECTION 13, subsection (1), sub-subsection (d) be amended by adding after "... parent":

", or if the director has tangible evidence that the child will be physically harmed because of neglect by the child's parent;"

The amendments were defeated, on division.

Ms. *Tyabji* moved the following proposed amendments to section 13 of Bill (No. 46):

SECTION 13, subsection (1), be amended by deleting subsection (g).

SECTION 13, subsection (1), sub-subsection (1) be amended by adding after "in force":

", and the director has tangible evidence to that effect".

The amendments were defeated, on division.

A proposed amendment on the Order Paper to section 13 (1) of Bill (No. 46) was defeated, on division.

In consideration of section 13 of Bill (No. 46) the Committee divided as follows:

	Yeas—31		
Petter	Cull	Farnworth	Jarvis
Edwards	Harcourt	Doyle	Anderson
Garden	Gabelmann	Gingell	Lali
Hagen	MacPhail	Sawicki	Copping
Dosanjh	Ramsey	Simpson	Brewin
Lortie	Barlee	Streifel	Krog
Giesbrecht	Blencoe	Lord	Kasper
Miller	Randall	Tanner	-
		Nays—3	
Weisgerber	Hanson	Tyabji	

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.59 p.m.

Friday, June 10, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Randall.

The Speaker declared a short recess.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor having entered the House, and being seated in the Chair — *Ian D. Izard*, Esq., Law Clerk and Clerk Assistant, read the titles to the following Bills:

Bill (No. 8) Accountants (Management) Act.

Bill (No. 13) Workers Compensation Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 15) Corporation Capital Tax Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 22) College and Institute Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 23) Institute of Technology Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 37) Skills Development and Fair Wage Act.

Bill (No. 39) Skills, Training and Labour Statutes Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 52) Public Education Labour Relations Act.

His Honour was pleased in Her Majesty's name to give assent to the said Bills.

The said assent was announced by *E. George MacMinn*, Q.C., Clerk of the House, in the following words:

"In Her Majesty's name, His Honour the Lieutenant Governor does assent to these Bills."

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Section A of Committee of Supply having reported the last vote of the Estimates of the Ministry of Finance and Corporate Relations, debate on those Estimates was summarized, pursuant to Sessional Order of April 6, 1994.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks and Ministry Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights).

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows: *Honourable Members:*

On Tuesday last, the Member for Richmond-Steveston sought to raise a matter of Privilege in connection with comments made by another Member following his withdrawal from debate pursuant to section 9 of the *Members' Conflict of Interest Act*. Section 9 reads as follows:

- (1) A member who has reasonable grounds to believe that he or she has a conflict of interest in a matter that is before the Assembly or the Executive Council, or a committee of either of them, shall, if present at a meeting considering the matter,
 - (a) disclose the general nature of the conflict of interest, and
 - (b) withdraw from the meeting without voting or participating in the consideration of the matter.

I would point out that the test for compliance is a subjective test and the requirement to withdraw is mandatory. In addition, a Member may have sought the advice of the Conflict of Interest Commissioner in confidence prior to making the withdrawal.

The *Hansard* indicates that the Member stated that he was withdrawing to comply with the Act, and that another member commented adversely.

While I cannot see that the Member's ability to function has been impeded so as to attract a claim of breach of Privilege, I would expect that withdrawal from debate under the mandatory provisions of the Act ought not to be the subject of adverse comment by other Members.

EMERY BARNES, Speaker

And then the House adjourned at 12.37 p.m.

Monday, June 13, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Anderson.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. Lovick advised the Chair of his intention to raise a matter of privilege.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Education).

(In the House)

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 50) intituled *Residential Tenancy Amendment Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

Mr. *Tanner* moved the following amendment:

That the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 50) be amended by deleting the word "now" and substituting therefore the words "six months hence."

The debate on the amendment continued.

The House divided.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:

Chisholm Dalton Campbell Hurd Gingell	Stephens Hanson Serwa Mitchell	YEAS—17 Wilson Tanner Anderson M. de Jong	Symons Fox Neufeld H. De Jong
		Nays—35	
Petter	Dosanjh	Pullinger	Streifel
Sihota	Hammell	Janssen	Boone
Marzari	B. Jones	Randall	Hartley
Edwards	Lortie	Beattie	Lali
Charbonneau	Giesbrecht	Farnworth	Schreck
O'Neill	Smallwood	Doyle	Copping
Garden	Barlee	Jackson	Brewin
Perry	Blencoe	Sawicki	Kasper
Hagen	Lovick	Simpson	-

The debate was resumed on the main motion.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		Yeas—34	
Petter	Hammell	Janssen	Streifel
Sihota	B. Jones	Randall	Boone
Marzari	Lortie	Beattie	Hartley
Charbonneau	Giesbrecht	Farnworth	Lali
O'Neill	Smallwood	Doyle	Schreck
Garden	Barlee	Jackson	Copping
Perry	Blencoe	Sawicki	Brewin
Hagen	Lovick	Simpson	Kasper
Dosanjh	Pullinger	-	•
		Nays—14	
Chisholm	Hanson	Tanner	Symons
Dalton	Serwa	Anderson	Neufeld
Farrell-Collins	Wilson	M. de Jong	H. De Jong
Gingell	Tvabii	o o	0

Bill (No. 50) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

The House recessed for forty-five minutes.

SEVEN O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Education).

(IN THE HOUSE)

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 31) intituled *Municipal Amendment Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		Yeas—39	
Petter	Lortie	Doyle	Anderson
Sihota	Giesbrecht	Chisholm	M. de Jong
Marzari	Smallwood	Dalton	Symons
Charbonneau	Barlee	Gingell	Boone
O'Neill	Blencoe	Stephens	Hartley
Garden	Pullinger	Jackson	Lali
Perry	Janssen	Sawicki	Schreck
Hagen	Randall	Simpson	Copping
Dosanjh	Beattie	Streifel	Kasper
B. Jones	Farnworth	Tanner	
		Nays—7	
Hanson	Wilson	Fox	H. De Jong
Serwa	Tyabji	Neufeld	o .

Bill (No. 31) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 47) intituled *Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services Statutes Amendment Act, 1994*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 47) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 35) intituled *Waste Management Amendment Act,* 1994, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

Petter	Smallwood	Chisholm	Tanner
Sihota	Ramsey	Farrell-Collins	Anderson
Marzari	Barlee	Hurd	M. de Jong
O'Neill	Blencoe	Stephens	Symons
Garden	Lovick	Wilson	\dot{Boone}
Perry	Pullinger	Tyabji	Hartley
Hagen	Janssen	Jackson	Lali
Dosanjh	Randall	Sawicki	Schreck
B. Jones	Beattie	Simpson	Copping
Lortie	Farnworth	Streifel	Kasper
Giesbrecht	Doyle	-	-

Nays—2

Weisgerber Neufeld

Bill (No. 35) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 28) intituled *Land Title Amendment Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 28) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

(In Committee — Section A)

- 21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$410,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Education, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1995.
- 22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,781,643,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Education, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1995.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

By agreement, summary debate of Estimates passed in Section A (Ministry of Education) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.05 p.m.

Tuesday, June 14, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Dalton.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Government Services and Ministry Responsible for Sports and Commonwealth Games).

(In the House)

Bill (No. 41) intituled Community Financial Services Act was again committed.

Mr. Mitchell moved an amendment to section 13 (1) of Bill (No. 41) which was defeated, on division.

Section 15 of Bill (No. 41) passed, on division.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Hon. G. Clark advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

And then the House adjourned at 12.06 p.m.

Tuesday, June 14, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Skills, Training and Labour).

(In Committee)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

- 46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$366,255 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Municipal Affairs, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1995.
- 47. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$52,872,745 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Municipal Affairs, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1995.

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48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$304,500,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Municipal Affairs, Local Government Grants, to 31st March 1995.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

By agreement, summary debate of Estimates passed in Section A (Ministry of Municipal Affairs) to be considered at the next sitting.

The Hon. *E. Barnes* (Speaker) tabled the Annual Report of the Commissioner of Conflict of Interest, 1993-94.

The House recessed until 8.15 o'clock p.m.

THIRTY MINUTES PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

The Hon. *C. Gabelmann* advised that Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Government Services and Ministry Responsible for Sports and Commonwealth Games) to sit at 9.30 o'clock p.m.

(IN THE HOUSE)

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 48) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act* (*No.* 2), 1994, a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		Yeas—35	
Sihota	Hammell	Pullinger	Simpson
Marzari	Lortie	Janssen	Streifel
Edwards	Giesbrecht	Evans	Lord
Cashore	Miller	Randall	Boone
Zirnhelt	Gabelmann	Beattie	Hartley
Charbonneau	Ramsey	Farnworth	Lali
O'Neill	Barlee	Conroy	Schreck
Garden	Blencoe	Doyle	Brewin
Hagen	Lovick	Jackson	
		Nays—14	
Dalton	Weisgerber	Jarvis	Symons
Reid	Wilson	Anderson	Fox
Farrell-Collins	Tyabji	Warnke	Neufeld
Stephens	Tanner		·

Bill (No. 48) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On a point of order being raised on Monday last by Ms. *Tyabji*, the Speaker made the following ruling:

Honourable Members:

Yesterday, the member for Okanagan East requested a withdrawal of comments made by the Member for Fort Langley-Aldergrove during debate on Bill (No. 50). At the time, the Chair indicated to the Members that I would like to have an opportunity to review the *Blues* before making a ruling because I was not in the chair when the remarks were made. I have done so, and the *Blues* indicate that the member for Fort Langley-Aldergrove alleged that the Member for Powell River-Sunshine Coast had deliberately misled the House. This language is unparliamentary, as I'm sure Members who were here at the time would appreciate. I would ask the Honourable Member, in deference to this concern, that he withdraw those remarks.

EMERY BARNES, Speaker

Mr. Farrell-Collins withdrew the offending remarks.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 49) intituled *Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

Ms. Tyabji moved the following amendment —

That the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 49) intituled *Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act*, 1994 be amended by deleting the word "now" and adding the words "six months hence".

The House divided.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:

		YEAS—12	
Dalton	Stephens	Tanner	Warnke
Reid	Wilson	Jarvis	K. Jones
Farrell-Collins	Tyabji	Anderson	Symons
		Nays—37	
Sihota	Lortie	Evans	Streifel
Marzari	Giesbrecht	Randall	Lord
Edwards	Miller	Beattie	Fox
Cashore	Gabelmann	Farnworth	Neufeld
Zirnhelt	Ramsey	Conroy	Boone
Charbonneau	Barlee	Doyle	Hartley
O'Neill	Blencoe	Weisgerber	Lali
Garden	Pullinger	Jackson	Schreck
Hagen	Janssen	Simpson	Brewin
Hammell		-	

The debate was resumed on the main motion.

Bill (No. 49) read a second time, on division, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 42) intituled *Petroleum Corporation Repeal Act*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 42) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 51) intituled *Family Maintenance Enforcement Amendment Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

Bill (No. 51) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

(In Committee — Section A)

- 39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$350,717 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Government Services and Ministry Responsible for Sports and Commonwealth Games, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1995.
- 40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$84,011,273 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Government Services and Ministry Responsible for Sports and Commonwealth Games, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1995.
- 41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Government Services and Ministry Responsible for Sports and Commonwealth Games, Product Sales and Services, to 31st March 1995.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

By agreement, summary debate of Estimates passed in Section A (Ministry of Government Services and Ministry Responsible for Sports and Commonwealth Games) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.20 p.m.

Wednesday, June 15, 1994

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Ms. Stephens.

The Hon. *C. Gabelmann* (Attorney General) made a ministerial statement regarding the riot that occurred in Vancouver on June 14, 1994, and advised that the B.C. Police Commission had been directed to investigate the matter.

Mr. Dalton made a statement.

Mr. Weisgerber made a statement.

By leave, on the motion of Mr. *Randall*, Bill (No. Pr402) intituled *TD Trust Company Act*, 1994 was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* referred to the Select Standing Committee on Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *D. Zirnhelt* (Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food) tabled the Annual Report of the Provincial Agricultural Land Commission for the year ended March 31, 1993.

Mr. *Mitchell* asked leave, pursuant to Standing Order 35, to move adjournment of the House to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, the immediate consequences resulting from the riot that occurred in Vancouver on June 14, 1994.

The Hon. G. Clark made representations.

The Speaker stated that he would take the matter under advisement.

The Hon. *E. Barnes* (Speaker) tabled the Annual Report of the Office of the Information & Privacy Commissioner, 1993-1994.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Section A of Committee of Supply having reported the last vote of the Estimates of the Ministry of Education, debate on those Estimates was summarized, pursuant to Sessional Order of April 6, 1994.

Section A of Committee of Supply having reported the last vote of the Estimates of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, debate on those Estimates was summarized, pursuant to Sessional Order of April 6, 1994.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks and Ministry Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights).

(In the House)

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 43) intituled *Fishing Collective Bargaining Act*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

	Yeas—31		
Petter	Perry	Gabelmann	Streifel
Sihota	Hagen	Ramsey	Lord
Pement	Dosanjh	Pullinger	Hartley
Priddy	Hammell	Janssen	Lali
Zirnhelt	B. Jones	Farnworth	Schreck
Charbonneau	Lortie	Conroy	Brewin
O'Neill	Miller	Doyle	Kasper
Garden	Smallwood	Simpson	

Nays—18

Chisholm Tanner M. de Jong Stephens Reid Weisgerber Jarvis Symons Farrell-Collins Hanson Warnke Fox Hurd Serwa K. Jones Neufeld Mitchell Gingell

Bill (No. 43) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Skills, Training and Labour).

(IN COMMITTEE)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

- 31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$212,675,479 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks and Ministry Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1995.
- 32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,188,597 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks and Ministry Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights, Corporate Land Use Coordination and Inventory, to 31st March 1995.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

By agreement, summary debate of Estimates passed in Section A (Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks and Ministry Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights) to be considered at the next sitting.

The House recessed for thirty-five minutes.

FORTY MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Forests).

(In the House)

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Bill (No. 30) intituled Agricultural Land Commission Amendment Act, 1994 was committed.

Mr. Wilson moved an amendment to section 20.1 (1) contained within section 9 of Bill (No. 30) which was defeated, on division.

In consideration of section 9 of Bill (No. 30) the Committee divided as follows:

		YEAS—41	
Petter	B. Jones	Chisholm	Warnke
Pement	Miller	Gingell	K. Jones
Priddy	Smallwood	Stephens	Symons
Cashore	Gabelmann	Weisgerber	Neufeld
Zirnhelt	Ramsey	Hanson	Boone
Charbonneau	Lovick	Serwa	Hartley
O'Neill	Janssen	Simpson	Lali
Garden	Farnworth	Streifel	Schreck
Perry	Conroy	Lorď	Brewin
Hagen	Doyle	Tanner	Kasper
Dosanjh	•		•
		Nays—2	
Wilson	Tyabji		1

Bill (No. 30) was reported complete without amendment.

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 30) the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		Yeas—36	
Pement	Dosanjh	Farnworth	Tanner
Priddy	B. Jones	Conroy	Warnke
Cashore	Miller	Doyle	K. Jones
Zirnhelt	Smallwood	Chisholm	Symons
Charbonneau	Gabelmann	Gingell	Boone
O'Neill	Ramsey	Stephens	Hartley
Garden	Pullinger	Simpson	Schreck
Perry	Janssen	Streifel	Brewin
Hagen	Randall	Lord	Kasper
		Nays—4	
Hanson	Serwa	Wilson	Tyabji

Bill (No. 30) read a third time and passed.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN THE HOUSE)

Bill (No. 49) intituled Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act, 1994 was committed.

Section 7, as amended, of Bill (No. 49) passed, on division.

Section 14 of Bill (No. 49) passed, on division.

An amendment to section 15 of Bill (No. 49) passed, on division.

In consideration of section 15, as amended, of Bill (No. 49) the Committee divided as follows:

		Yeas—36	
Pement	Dosanjh	Farnworth	Tanner
Priddy	B. Jones	Conroy	Warnke
Cashore	Miller	Doyle	K. Jones
Zirnhelt	Smallwood	Reid	Symons
Charbonneau	Gabelmann	Stephens	Boone
O'Neill	Ramsey	Serwa	Hartley
Garden	Lovick	Simpson	Lali
Perry	Pullinger	Streifel	Schreck
Hagen	Janssen	Lord	Kasper
		Nays—2	
Wilson	Tyabji		
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Bill (No. 49) was reported complete, with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed, on division.

Bill (No. 51) intituled Family Maintenance Enforcement Amendment Act, 1994 was committed.

Mr. Weisgerber moved an amendment to section 21 of Bill (No. 51) which was defeated on the following division:

		Yeas—10	
Reid	Weisgerber	Tanner	K. Jones
Farrell-Collins	Wilson	Warnke	Symons
Stephens	Tyabji		
		Nays—28	
Pement	Perry	Ramsey	Simpson
Priddy	Hagen	Lovick	Streifel
Cashore	Dosanjh	Pullinger	Lord
Zirnhelt	B. Jones	Janssen	Hartley
Charbonneau	Miller	Farnworth	Lali
O'Neill	Smallwood	Conroy	Schreck
Garden	Gabelmann	Doyle	Kasper

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

The House continued to sit past midnight.

Mr. Schreck advised the Chair he was reserving his right to raise a matter of privilege.

And then the House adjourned at 12.57 a.m.

Thursday, June 16, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. M. de Jong.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 46) intituled Child, Family and Community Service Act was again committed.

Sections 14, 15 and 16 of Bill (No. 46) passed, on division.

A proposed amendment by Mr. *Anderson* on the Order Paper to section 19 (2) of Bill (No. 46) was defeated, on division.

Section 19 of Bill (No. 46) passed, on division.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

Thursday, June 16, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

The Clerk of the House informed the House of the unavoidable absence of the Speaker, whereupon Mr. *Lovick*, Deputy Speaker, took the Chair, pursuant to Standing Order 12.

The Hon. *C. Gabelmann* (Attorney General) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

David C. Lam

Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 36) intituled *Recall and Initiative Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

June 15, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Ms. *Hammell*, Bill (No. Pr401) intituled *Lower Fraser Valley Exhibition Association Amendment Act* was introduced, read a first time and *Ordered* referred to the Select Standing Committee on Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Forests).

(IN THE HOUSE)

Bill (No. 46) intituled Child, Family and Community Service Act was again committed.

In consideration of a proposed amendment by Mr. *Anderson* on the Order Paper to section 21 (3) (a) of Bill (No. 46) the Committee divided.

The amendment was defeated on the following division:

		Yeas—15	
Chisholm	Gingell	Jarvis	Symons
Dalton	Stephens	Anderson	Fox
Reid	Hanson	Warnke	Neufeld
Hurd	Tyabji	M. de Jong	
		Nays—36	
Petter	Garden	MacPhail	Streifel
Sihota	Hagen	Ramsey	Lord
Marzari	Dosanjh	Barlee	Boone
Pement	Hammell	Janssen	Hartley
Priddy	B. Jones	Evans	Lali
Cashore	Lortie	Farnworth	Schreck
Zirnhelt	Miller	Doyle	Copping
Charbonneau	Smallwood	Sawicki	Brewin
O'Neill	Clark	Simpson	Kasper

Section 23 of Bill (No. 46) passed, on division.

Mr. *Neufeld* moved an amendment to section 29 (1) of Bill (No. 46) which was defeated on the following division:

		Yeas—15	
Chisholm	Wilson	Anderson	Fox
Dalton	Tyabji	Warnke	Neufeld
Hurd	Tanner	M. de Jong	H. De Jong
Hanson	Jarvis	Symons	_
		Nays—28	
Petter	Hagen	MacPhail	Lord
Pement	Dosanjh	Ramsey	Boone
Priddy	Hammell	Barlee	Hartley
Zirnhelt	B. Jones	Janssen	Lali
Charbonneau	Lortie	Sawicki	Copping
O'Neill	Smallwood	Simpson	Brewin
Garden	Clark	Streifel	Kasper

Mr. *Anderson* moved an amendment to section 29 (1) of Bill (No. 46) which was defeated on the following division:

		Yeas—12	
Chisholm	Wilson	Anderson	Fox
Hurd	Tyabji	Warnke	Neufeld
Hanson	Tanner	Symons	H. De Jong
		Nays—30	
Petter	Hagen	Ramsey	Lord
Sihota	Dosanjh	Barlee	Boone
Pement	Hammell	Janssen	Hartley
Priddy	B. Jones	Farnworth	Lali
Zirnhelt	Lortie	Sawicki	Copping
Charbonneau	Smallwood	Simpson	Brewin
O'Neill	Clark	Streifel	Kasper
Garden	MacPhail	·	•

Section 29 of Bill (No. 46) passed, on division.

A proposed amendment by Mr. *Neufeld* on the Order Paper to section 31 (3) of Bill (No. 46) was defeated, on division.

Section 31, as amended, of Bill (No. 46) passed, on division.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 41) intituled Community Financial Services Act was again committed.

In consideration of the title of Bill (No. 41) the Committee divided as follows:

		Yeas—34	
Petter	Hagen	Barlee	Sawicki
Sihota	Dosanjh	Blencoe	Streifel
Pement	Hammell	Lovick	Lord
Priddy	B. Jones	Pullinger	Boone
Zirnhelt	Lortie	Janssen	Lali
Charbonneau	Miller	Evans	Copping
O'Neill	Smallwood	Farnworth	Brewin
Garden	Clark	Doyle	Kasper
Perry	Ramsey	•	_
		Nays—15	
Reid	Gingell	Tyabji	Fox
Campbell	Hanson	Tanner	Neufeld
Farrell-Collins	Serwa	M. de Jong	H. De Jong
Hurd	Wilson	Symons	_

Bill (No. 41) was reported complete with amendment.

Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 6.15 p.m.

Friday, June 17, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Chisholm.

The Speaker made the following statement:

Honourable Members:

Honourable Members will be aware that the position of Parliamentary Secretary is a relatively new one in our jurisdiction and it appears that the role of Parliamentary Secretaries in relation to their status during Question Period has never been addressed by previous Speakers in this House. No considered opinion has been expressed in this regard, as a result of a Point of Order having been raised, or otherwise.

However, it has been brought to the attention of the Chair that on many past occasions questions have been directed by Parliamentary Secretaries to Cabinet Ministers, and accordingly it may be fairly concluded that the practice of the House in this regard has thereby been established.

Accordingly, it is the intention of the Chair to recognize this practice, notwithstanding that in other jurisdictions Parliamentary Secretaries are not permitted to ask questions of their own Ministers. The issues involved have been well canvassed in two rulings: one in Saskatchewan by Mr. Speaker Tusa (Saskatchewan *Journals*, August 6, 1987), and the other by Mr. Speaker Jerome (Ottawa *Journals*, November 5, 1974, p. 1059).

As your Speaker, I feel duty bound to follow the established practices of this House. If practices respecting House procedure are to be altered or revised, it is obvious to me that this should be at the initiative of the House itself.

My statement in this connection, made on Wednesday last, was in error and the Chair offers its apology to all Members.

EMERY BARNES, Speaker

The Speaker delivered his reserved opinion as follows:

Honourable Members:

On Wednesday last, the Honourable Member for West Vancouver-Garibaldi sought to move adjournment of the House under Standing Order 35, to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely, the riot which occurred in Vancouver after the final game of the Stanley Cup playoffs.

While the matter raised by the Member is indeed a serious one, prior to the Member raising the matter, the Attorney General stated to the House that the Police Commission had been requested to undertake an inquiry into the matter which would come under the normal administrative responsibility of that Ministry.

I'm of the view that Standing Order 35 was never intended to provide a vehicle for interference in the normal administration of justice.

For these reasons the application cannot proceed.

EMERY BARNES, Speaker

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

By leave, Mr. Hurd tabled a petition.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Employment and Investment).

(In Committee — Section B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 12.32 p.m.

Monday, June 20, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Hanson.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *B. Barlee* (Minister of Small Business, Tourism and Culture) tabled the British Columbia Heritage Trust Financial Statements as at March 31, 1994.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Forests).

(IN THE HOUSE)

Bill (No. 46) intituled Child, Family and Community Service Act was again committed.

Sections 34, 35, 36 and 37 of Bill (No. 46) passed, on division.

In consideration of section 38 of Bill (No. 46) the Committee divided as follows:

Petter	Lortie	Chisholm	Anderson
Sihota	Miller	Dalton	M. de Jong
Marzari	Harcourt	Farrell-Collins	Symons
Pement	MacPhail	Hurd	Boone
Cashore	Barlee	Stephens	Hartley
Charbonneau	Blencoe	Jackson	Lali
O'Neill	Pullinger	Streifel	Schreck
Garden	Beattie	Lord	Brewin
Hagen	Conroy	Tanner	Krog
Dosanjh	Doyle	Jarvis	Kasper
B. Jones	-		•

Nays—5

Hanson Fox Neufeld H. De Jong Wilson

In consideration of section 102 of Bill (No. 46) the Committee divided as follows:

Yeas—40

Petter B. Jones Tanner Beattie Sihota Miller Farnworth Jarvis Marzari Harcourt Conroy Anderson **MacPhail** Doyle Pement M. de Jong Cashore Ramsey Chisholm Symons Charbonneau Barlee Dalton BooneO'Neill Blencoe Hurd Lali Garden Lovick Stephens Schreck Hagen Pullinger Jackson Brewin Dosanjh Evans Streifel Krog

Nays—5

Serwa Fox Neufeld H. De Jong Wilson

In consideration of section 103, as amended, of Bill (No. 46) the Committee divided as follows:

Yeas—40

Petter B. Jones Tanner Beattie Sihota Miller Farnworth Jarvis Marzari Harcourt Conroy Anderson MacPhail Doyle Pement M. de Jong Cashore Ramsey Chisholm Symons Charbonneau Barlee Dalton Boone O'Neill Blencoe Hurd Lali Stephens Schreck Garden Lovick PullingerJackson Brewin Hagen Dosanjh Streifel Evans Krog

Nays—5

Serwa Fox Neufeld H. De Jong

Wilson

In consideration of the title of Bill (No. 46) the Committee divided as follows:

Yeas—38

Petter B. Jones Farnworth Jarvis Sihota Lortie Conrov Anderson Marzari Miller Doyle M. de Jong Pement **MacPhail** Chisholm Symons Barlee Dalton Cashore Boone Charbonneau Lali Blencoe Hurd O'Neill Lovick Jackson Schreck Garden Pullinger Streifel Brewin Hagen Evans Tanner Krog Dosanjh Beattie

Nays—7

Weisgerber Wilson Fox H. De Jong Serwa Tyabji Neufeld

Bill (No. 46) was reported complete with amendment.

Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 45) intituled Child, Youth and Family Advocacy Act was committed.

Ms. Tyabji moved two amendments to section 1 of Bill (No. 45) which were defeated, on division.

Sections 2, 4, 5 and 6 of Bill (No. 45) passed, on division.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered later today.

(In Committee — Section A)

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

The House recessed for thirty-five minutes.

THIRTY-FIVE MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Jarvis

Anderson

Symons

Boone

Hartley

Schreck

Lali

Krog

M. de Jong

Bill (No. 12) intituled *Library Act* was again committed and reported complete without amendment.

Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Forests).

(IN THE HOUSE)

Bill (No. 45) intituled Child, Youth and Family Advocacy Act was again committed.

In consideration of the title of Bill (No. 45) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—36

Petter B. Jones Farnworth Sihota Lortie Conrov Marzari Miller Doyle Pement **MacPhail** Chisholm Dalton Cashore Barlee Charbonneau Pullinger Hurd O'Neill Janssen Jackson Hagen Evans Streifel Dosanjh Beattie Tanner

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Nays—6 Wilson Fox Weisgerber Tyabji

Bill (No. 45) was reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

By leave, Bill (No. 12) intituled *Library Act* was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 35) intituled Waste Management Amendment Act, 1994 was committed.

Mr. Wilson moved an amendment to section 24.4 contained within section 1 of Bill (No. 35) which was defeated, on division.

Section 24.4 contained within section 1 of Bill (No. 35) passed, on division.

Bill (No. 35) was reported complete, with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 28) intituled Land Title Amendment Act, 1994 was committed and reported complete with amendment.

Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 29) intituled Environmental Assessment Act, a debate arose.

On the motion of Mr. *Jarvis*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 12.02 a.m.

Tuesday, June 21, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Neufeld

Prayers by Mr. Fox.

Hanson

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

(In Committee — Section A)

- 36. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$412,867 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Forests, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1995.
- 37. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$505,451,077 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Forests, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1995.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$63,470,798 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Forests, Fire Suppression, to 31st March 1995.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

By agreement, summary debate of Estimates passed in Section A (Ministry of Forests) to be considered at the next sitting.

The Hon. J. MacPhail advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

(In the House)

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 29) intituled *Environmental Assessment Act*.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

Petter Sihota Marzari Cashore Zirnhelt Charbonneau O'Neill Garden	Miller Smallwood Harcourt Gabelmann MacPhail Barlee Lovick Pullinger	YEAS—49 Conroy Chisholm Dalton Reid Farrell-Collins Hurd Stephens Jackson	Jarvis Anderson Warnke M. de Jong Symons H. De Jong Boone Hartley
Hagen Dosanjh Hammell B. Jones	Futtinger Janssen Evans Beattie Farnworth	Simpson Streifel Lord Tanner	Lali Schreck Copping Brewin
Lortie Hanson	Serwa	Nays—4 Fox	Neufeld

Bill (No. 29) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Skills, Training and Labour).

(In Committee — Section B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.58 a.m.

Tuesday, June 21, 1994

Two o'clock p.m.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

On a point of order being raised by Mr. *Farrell-Collins*, the Speaker ruled that the order in which Members are recognized in Question Period is at the discretion of the Speaker.

Ms. *Tyabji* sought leave, pursuant to Standing Order 35, to move adjournment of the House to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, the proceedings in the Supreme Court of British Columbia involving Tzeporah Berman.

The Speaker stated that he would take the matter under advisement.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

By leave, Bill (No. 46) intituled *Child, Family and Community Service Act* was read a third time and passed.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Skills, Training and Labour).

Mr. Mitchell, moved that Vote 49 be reduced to \$1.

Motion defeated, on division.

(In Committee — Section B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

The House recessed for thirty-five minutes.

FORTY MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Skills, Training and Labour).

(In Committee — Section B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN THE HOUSE)

The House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice".

Bill (No. 50) intituled Residential Tenancy Amendment Act, 1994 was committed.

Section 19 of Bill (No. 50) passed, on division.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 31) intituled Municipal Amendment Act, 1994 was committed.

Section 1, as amended, of Bill (No. 31) passed, on division.

The title of Bill (No. 31) passed, on division.

Bill (No. 31) was reported complete, with amendment.

Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 47) intituled *Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services Statutes Amendment Act, 1994* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

And then the House adjourned at 11.07 p.m.

Wednesday, June 22, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Neufeld.

The Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows:

Honourable Members:

Yesterday the Honourable Member for Okanagan East rose under Standing Order 35 to ask leave to make a motion for the adjournment of the House.

I have examined the statement which was given to the Chair following the Honourable Member's application and it is clear that the matter involved is presently before the Courts.

I quote from *Parliamentary Practice in British Columbia*, 2nd edition at page 45, "A *sub judice* matter cannot be raised on a motion under Standing Order 35."

Accordingly, the Honourable Member's motion must fail.

EMERY BARNES, Speaker

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

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The Hon. *M. Sihota* (Minister of Environment, Lands and Parks and Minister Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights) tabled the following reports from the Waste Reduction Commission:

Report on Soils and Hazardous Waste.

A British Columbia Biomedical Waste Action Plan.

The Hon. C. Gabelmann (Attorney General) tabled the following reports:

The Annual Report of the Law Reform Commission of British Columbia, 1993/94.

The 22nd Annual Report of the *Criminal Injury Compensation Act* of British Columbia, January 1 - December 31, 1993.

The Hon. A. Petter (Minister of Forests) tabled the Financial Statements of the Provincial Capital Commission as at March 31, 1994.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 43) intituled *Fishing Collective Bargaining Act* was committed, reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Skills, Training and Labour).

(In Committee — Section B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 6.56 p.m.

Thursday, June 23, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Serwa.

The Hon. A. Petter (Minister of Forests) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

Allan McEachern

ADMINISTRATOR

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 56) intituled *Forest Land Reserve Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

June 23, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of the Hon. *D. Miller*, it was *Ordered* that leave be given for the Select Standing Committee on Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills to meet while the House is in session today.

Mr. Mitchell advised the Chair of his intention to raise a matter of privilege.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Section A of Committee of Supply having reported the last vote of the Estimates of the Ministry of Government Services and Ministry Responsible for Sports and Commonwealth Games, debate on those Estimates was summarized, pursuant to Sessional Order of April 6, 1994.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Skills, Training and Labour).

(In Committee — Section B)

- 49. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$372,200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Skills, Training and Labour, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1995, on division.
- 50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,556,716,800 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Skills, Training and Labour, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1995.

Section B of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 12.10 p.m.

Thursday, June 23, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Health and Ministry Responsible for Seniors).

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(In Committee — Section B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

The House recessed for thirty-five minutes.

FORTY MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Health and Ministry Responsible for Seniors).

(In Committee — Section B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 29) intituled Environmental Assessment Act was committed.

By leave, the Hon. *M. Sihota* (Minister of Environment, Lands and Parks and Minister Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights) tabled a document entitled Information Relating to Public Advisory Committees, October 1993.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 12.02 a.m.

Friday, June 24, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Mitchell.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Health and Ministry Responsible for Seniors).

(In Committee — Section B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 12.31 p.m.

Monday, June 27, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by the Hon. D. Marzari.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. Symons presented a petition regarding Pharmacare deductible for people with special needs.

The Hon. *J. Smallwood* (Minister of Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services) tabled the Annual Report of British Columbia Housing Management Commission for the years ended December 31, 1990 and December 31, 1991.

The Hon. *M. F. Harcourt* (Premier) tabled the Annual Report of the British Columbia Trade Development Corporation, 1993/1994, contained in The B.C. Exporter: Partners in Export — The Year in Review, 1993-1994.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Office of the Premier and Cabinet Office).

(In Committee — Section B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 6.01 p.m.

Tuesday, June 28, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Simpson.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Health and Ministry Responsible for Seniors).

(In Committee — Section B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.58 a.m.

Tuesday, June 28, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The Hon. J. MacPhail advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

Section A of Committee of Supply having reported the last vote of the Estimates of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs, debate on those Estimates was summarized, pursuant to Sessional Order of April 6, 1994.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Health and Ministry Responsible for Seniors).

(In Committee — Section B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

The House recessed for thirty-five minutes.

THIRTY-EIGHT MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Section A of Committee of Supply having reported the last vote of the Estimates of the Ministry of Forests, debate on those Estimates was summarized, pursuant to Sessional Order of April 6, 1994.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 53) intituled *Pension Statutes Amendment Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		Yeas—31	
Sihota	Hagen	Janssen	Streifel
Pement	Hammell	Evans	Lord
Priddy	Lortie	Randall	Boone
Edwards	Giesbrecht	Beattie	Hartley
Zirnhelt	MacPhail	Farnworth	Lali
Charbonneau	Barlee	Doyle	Krog
O'Neill	Lovick	Jackson	Kasper
Garden	Pullinger	Sawicki	
		Nays—11	
Chisholm	Gingell	Mitchell	Fox
Farrell-Collins	Stephens	Tanner	Neufeld
Hurd	Weisgerber	Jarvis	J

Bill (No. 53) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

The House recessed for fifteen minutes.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Health and Ministry Responsible for Seniors).

$$(\hbox{In Committee} - \hbox{Section B})$$

- 42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$436,943 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Health and Ministry Responsible for Seniors, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1995.
- 43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,298,561,057 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Health and Ministry Responsible for Seniors, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1995.

Section B of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The House continued to sit past midnight.

The Hon. *P. Ramsey* moved that the House at its rising stand adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. today. Motion agreed to.

And then the House adjourned at 1.35 a.m.

Wednesday, June 29, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Ms. Hagen.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 21) intituled Heritage Conservation Statutes Amendment Act, 1994 was again committed.

Section 23 contained within section 20 of Bill (No. 21) passed, on division.

Section 20 of Bill (No. 21) passed, on division.

In consideration of section 29 contained within section 21 of Bill (No. 21) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS-30

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Petter	Charbonneau	Gabelmann	Jackson
Sihota	O'Neill	MacPhail	Sawicki
Marzari	Garden	Ramsey	Streifel
Pement	Hammell	Barlee	Boone
Priddy	Lortie	Janssen	Hartley
Edwards	Giesbrecht	Randall	Lali
Cashore	Miller	Doyle	Kasper
Zirnhelt	Smallwood		•
		Nays—19	
Dalton	Stephens	Jarvis	Symons
Reid	Hanson	Anderson	Fox
Farrell-Collins	Wilson	Warnke	Neufeld
Hurd	Tyabji	K. Jones	H. Ďe Jong
Gingell	Tanner	M. de Jong	

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

Wednesday, June 29, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

On the motion of Ms. *Stephens*, Bill (No. M217) intituled *Domestic Violence Prevention Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *G. Clark* (Minister of Employment and Investment) tabled the Financial Statements of the British Columbia Educational Institutions Capital Financing Authority, as at March 31, 1994.

The Hon. *D. Zirnhelt* (Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food) tabled the Annual Report of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, 1992-1993.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Employment and Investment).

 $(In\ Committee - Section\ B)$

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

The House recessed for forty minutes.

FORTY MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Office of the Premier and Cabinet Office).

(In Committee — Section B)

- 7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,310,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Office of the Premier and Cabinet Office, Office of the Premier and Cabinet Office, to 31st March 1995.
- 8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,940,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Office of the Premier and Cabinet Office, British Columbia Trade Development Corporation, to 31st March 1995.

Section B of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

The Chair reported that in consideration of Vote 7, the Committee divided as follows:

		Yeas—31	
Pement	Hammell	MacPhail	Doyle
Priddy	B. Jones	Ramsey	Jackson
Edwards	Giesbrecht	Barlee	Streifel
Cashore	Miller	Blencoe	Hartley
Zirnhelt	Smallwood	Pullinger	Lali
O'Neill	Harcourt	Janssen	Krog
Garden	Gabelmann	Evans	Kasper
Hagen	Clark	Randall	
		Nays—12	
Chisholm	Farrell-Collins	Jarvis	K. Jones
Reid	Hanson	Anderson	Symons
Campbell	Wilson	Warnke	H. De Jong

The Chair further reported that in consideration of Vote 8, the Committee divided as follows:

		Yeas—31	
Pement Priddy Edwards Cashore Zirnhelt O'Neill Garden Hagen	Hammell B. Jones Giesbrecht Miller Smallwood Harcourt Gabelmann Clark	MacPhail Ramsey Barlee Blencoe Pullinger Janssen Evans Randall	Doyle Jackson Streifel Hartley Lali Krog Kasper
		Nays—12	
Chisholm Reid	Farrell-Collins Hanson	Jarvis Anderson	K. Jones Symons

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Employment and Investment).

Warnke

H. De Jong

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$362,400 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Employment and Investment, Ministers Office, to 31st March 1995.

Section B of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Wilson

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Campbell

The House continued to sit past midnight.

And then the House adjourned at 2.05 a.m.

Thursday, June 30, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Krog.

The Hon. E. Cull (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) tabled the following:

The Annual Report of the Auditor General, 1994.

The Annual Report of the business done in pursuance of the *Pension (College) Act*, year ended August 31, 1993.

The Annual Report of the business done in pursuance of the *Legislative Assembly Allowances and Pension Act, Part 2*, year ended March 31, 1993.

The Annual Report of the business done in pursuance of the *Pension (Teachers) Act*, year ended December 31, 1992.

The Annual Report of the business done in pursuance of the *Pension (Public Service) Act*, year ended March 31, 1993.

The Annual Report of the business done in pursuance of the *Pension (Municipal) Act*, year ended December 31, 1992.

The Hon. *J. Smallwood* (Minister of Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services) made a ministerial statement regarding the programme Homes B.C.

Mr. Anderson made a statement.

Mr. *Hanson* made a statement.

Mr. *Dosanjh* presented a Report of the Select Standing Committee on Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:

REPORT

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM

JUNE 23, 1994

HONOURABLE SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills begs leave to report as follows:

That the preamble to Bill (No. Pr401) intituled *Lower Fraser Valley Exhibition Association Amendment Act*, has been proved, and the Committee recommends that the Bill proceed to Second Reading.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

U. Dosanjh, Chair

The Report was read and received.

By leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the Report adopted.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Employment and Investment).

(In Committee — Section B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 1.35 p.m.

Thursday, June 30, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

The Hon. *E. Cull* (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) tabled the Annual Report of the Ministry of Finance and Corporate Relations, 1992/93.

The Hon. A. Edwards (Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources) tabled the Annual Report of the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources, 1992/93.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The Estimates of the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks and Ministry Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights having been dealt with primarily in Section B of Committee of Supply, *Ordered*, by leave, that summary of the vote taken in Section A be dispensed with.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Employment and Investment).

(In Committee — Section B)

- 24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$443,523,600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Employment and Investment, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1995.
- 6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,641,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ombudsman, Ombudsman, to 31st March 1995.

- 5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,181,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Information and Privacy Commissioner, Information and Privacy Commissioner, to 31st March 1995.
- 4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$195,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Conflict of Interest Commissioner, Conflict of Interest Commissioner, to 31st March 1995.
- 3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,180,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Commission on Resources and Environment, Commission on Resources and Environment, to 31st March 1995.
- 2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,559,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Auditor General, Auditor General, to 31st March 1995.
- 1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$24,352,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, Legislation, to 31st March 1995.

The Committee reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered forthwith.

The Hon. E. Cull moved —

That the reports of resolutions from the Committees of Supply on April 14, April 18, April 20, April 27, May 4, May 17, May 31, June 2, June 13, June 14, June 15, June 21, June 23, June 28, June 29 and June 30 be now received, taken as read and agreed to.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. E. Cull moved —

That there be granted from and out of the consolidated revenue fund the sum of \$19 billion, 282 million, 392 thousand, 834 dollars. This sum includes that authorized to be paid under: section 1 of the *Supply Act (No. 1)*, 1994, and is granted by Her Majesty towards defraying the charges and expenses of the public service of the province for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1995.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *E. Cull* (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM *Lieutenant Governor*

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 57) intituled *Supply Act*, 1994-95 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, June 30, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Pursuant to Standing Order 81, Bill permitted to be advanced all stages this day.

The Speaker declared a short recess for distribution of the Bill.

Bill (No. 57) was read a second time.

On the motion of the Hon. *E. Cull*, Bill (No. 57) was referred to a Committee of the Whole House to be considered forthwith.

Bill (No. 57) intituled *Supply Act*, 1994-95 was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

The Speaker declared a short recess.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor having entered the House, and being seated in the Chair —

Ian D. Izard, Esq., Law Clerk and Clerk Assistant, read the titles to the following Bills:

Bill (No. 12) Library Act.

Bill (No. 30) Agricultural Land Commission Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 35) Waste Management Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 43) Fishing Collective Bargaining Act.

Bill (No. 45) Child, Youth and Family Advocacy Act.

Bill (No. 46) Child, Family and Community Service Act.

Bill (No. 47) Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services Statutes Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 49) Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act, 1994.

His Honour was pleased in Her Majesty's name to give assent to the said Bills.

The said assent was announced by *Ian D. Izard*, Esq., Law Clerk and Clerk Assistant, in the following words:

"In Her Majesty's name, His Honour the Lieutenant Governor does assent to these Bills."

Ian D. Izard, Esq., Law Clerk and Clerk Assistant, read the title to the following Bill:

Bill (No. 57) Supply Act, 1994-95.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor was pleased in Her Majesty's name to give assent to the said Bill.

The said assent was announced by Ian D. Izard, Esq., Law Clerk and Clerk Assistant, in the following words:

"In Her Majesty's name, His Honour the Lieutenant Governor doth thank Her Majesty's loyal subjects, accepts their benevolence, and assents to this Bill."

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

The Hon. G. Clark moved —

That the House at its rising stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. on Monday next.

Motion agreed to.

And then the House adjourned at 3.55 p.m.

Monday, July 4, 1994

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Ms. Reid.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Mr. Hanson presented a petition.

Bill (No. 40) intituled Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Act was committed.

An amendment to section 3 of Bill (No. 40) passed, on division.

Section 9 of Bill (No. 40) passed, on division.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered later today.

The House recessed for thirty-five minutes.

THIRTY-FIVE MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Bill (No. 25) intituled Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, 1994 was committed.

Mr. *Tanner* moved a sub-amendment to the amendment to add section 178 (5) of Bill (No. 25) which was defeated on the following division:

	Yeas—12	
Hanson	Jarvis	Symons
Wilson	Warnke	Neufeld
Tanner	M. de Jong	H. De Jong
	Nays—28	
Dosanjh	Clark	Conroy
Hammell	Barlee	Doyle
B. Jones	Blencoe	Jackson
Giesbrecht	Janssen	Lord
Smallwood	Evans	Lali
Cull	Randall	Schreck
Gabelmann	Farnworth	Copping
	Wilson Tanner Dosanjh Hammell B. Jones Giesbrecht Smallwood Cull	Hanson Wilson Warnke Tanner M. de Jong NAYS—28 Dosanjh Clark Hammell Barlee B. Jones Giesbrecht Smallwood Cull Randall

Bill (No. 25) was reported complete, with amendment and, by leave, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 41) intituled *Community Financial Services Act* was read a third time and passed, on division.

Bill (No. 40) intituled Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Act was again committed.

Sections 111, 112 and 116 of Bill (No. 40) passed, on division.

On the motion that the Committee rise and report progress, the Committee divided.

Motion defeated on the following division:

		Yeas—4	
Hurd	Wilson	K. Jones	Neufeld
		Nays—28	
Petter	Hammell	Clark	Doyle
Priddy	B. Jones	Barlee	Jackson
Edwards	Lortie	Blencoe	Streifel
Charbonneau	Giesbrecht	Janssen	Lord
O'	Smallwood	Evans	Lali
Neill	Cull	Randall	Schreck
Garden	Gabelmann	Conroy	Copping
Dosanjh			

On the motion that the Chairman do now leave the Chair, the Committee divided. Motion defeated on the following division:

	Yeas—4			
Hurd	Wilson	K. Jones	Neufeld	
		Nays—26		
Petter Priddy Edwards O'Neill	B. Jones Lortie Giesbrecht Smallwood	Barlee Janssen Evans Randall	Jackson Streifel Lord Lali	
Garden Dosanjh Hammell	Cull Gabelmann Clark	Conroy Doyle	Schreck Copping	

In consideration of section 143 of Bill (No. 40) the Committee divided as follows:

		Yeas—27	
Petter Priddy Edwards O'Neill Garden Dosanjh Hammell	B. Jones Lortie Giesbrecht Smallwood Cull Gabelmann Clark	Barlee Janssen Evans Randall Conroy Doyle Wilson	Jackson Streifel Lord Lali Schreck Copping
		Nays—3	
Hurd	K. Jones	Neufeld	

In consideration of section 145 of Bill (No. 40) the Committee divided. Section passed *nemine contradicente* on the following division:

	Yeas-29		
Petter	Lortie	Evans	Streifel
Priddy	Giesbrecht	Randall	Lorď
Edwards	Smallwood	Conroy	K. Jones
O'Neill	Cull	Doyle	Neufeld
Garden	Gabelmann	Hurd	Lali
Dosanjh	Clark	Wilson	Schreck
Hammell	Janssen	Jackson	Copping
B. Jones			

In consideration of section 146 of Bill (No. 40) the Committee divided. Section passed *nemine contradicente* on the following division:

	Yeas—29		
Petter	Lortie	Janssen	Jackson
Priddy	Giesbrecht	Evans	Streifel
Edwards	Smallwood	Randall	Lorď
O'Neill	Cull	Conroy	K. Jones
Garden	Gabelmann	Doyle	Neufeld
Dosanjh	Clark	Hurd	Schreck
Hammell	Barlee	Wilson	Copping
B. Jones			11 0

In consideration of section 147 of Bill (No. 40) the Committee divided.

Section passed *nemine contradicente* on the following division:

Yeas—30

Petter	Lortie	Evans	Streifel
Priddy	Giesbrecht	Randall	Lord
Edwards	Smallwood	Conroy	K. Jones
O'Neill	Cull	Doyle	Neufeld
Garden	Gabelmann	Hurd	Lali
Dosanjh	Clark	Wilson	Schreck
Hammell	Barlee	Jackson	Copping
B. Jones	Janssen		0

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

The House continued to sit past midnight.

And then the House adjourned at 4.43 a.m.

Tuesday, July 5, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Chisholm.

The Hon. G. Clark advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 56) intituled *Forest Land Reserve Act*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

Mr. Hurd moved the following amendment —

That the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 56) be amended by deleting the word "now" and substituting the words "six months hence".

On the motion of Mr. *Janssen*, the debate on the amendment was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 12.02 p.m.

Tuesday, July 5, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 56) intituled *Forest Land Reserve Act*.

The debate on the amendment continued.

The House divided.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:

		Yeas—15	
Chisholm	Hurd	Tanner	Symons
Dalton	Gingell	Jarvis	Neufeld
Reid	Stephens	Warnke	H. De Jong
Campbell	Hanson	M. de Jong	
		Nays—41	
Petter	Lortie	Pullinger	Simpson
Marzari	Giesbrecht	Evans	Streifel
Priddy	Miller	Randall	Boone
Edwards	Smallwood	Beattie	Hartley
Cashore	Cull	Farnworth	Lali
O'Neill	Harcourt	Conroy	Schreck
Garden	Clark	Wilson	Copping
Perry	MacPhail	Tyabji	Brewin
Dosanjh	Ramsey	Jackson	Krog
Hammell	Barlee	Sawicki	Kasper
B. Jones			•

The House resumed the debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 56) intituled *Forest Land Reserve Act*.

The debate continued.

Mr. Gingell moved the following amendment —

That the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 56) be amended by deleting all the words after "that" and substituting the following:

"Bill (No. 56) not to be read a second time, but that the subject matter be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Forests, Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources."

The debate on the amendment continued.

The amendment was defeated.

The House resumed the debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 56) intituled *Forest Land Reserve Act*.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

	Yeas—44		
Petter	Giesbrecht	Evans	Simpson
Marzari	Miller	Randall	Streifel
Priddy	Smallwood	Beattie	Neufeld
Edwards	Cull	Farnworth	Boone
Cashore	Gabelmann	Conroy	Hartley
O'Neill	Clark	Hanson	Lali
Garden	MacPhail	Mitchell	Schreck
Perry	Ramsey	Wilson	Copping
Hammell	Barlee	Tyabji	Brewin
B. Jones	Lovick	Jackson	Krog
Lortie	Janssen	Sawicki	Kasper
		Nays—10	
Dalton	Gingell	Warnke	M. de Jong
Reid	Stephens	K. Jones	H. De Jong
Hurd	Serwa		

Bill (No. 56) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

The House recessed for thirty minutes.

THIRTY-FIVE MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 26) intituled *Medical and Health Care Services Amendment Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 26) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 40) intituled Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Act was again committed.

An amendment on the Order Paper to section 177 of Bill (No. 40) passed, on division.

Section 221 of Bill (No. 40) passed, on division.

Mr. *Hurd* moved an amendment to the preamble of Bill (No. 40) which was defeated on the following division:

		Yeas—11	
Dalton	Gingell	Hanson	K. Jones
Reid	Stephens	Serwa	Neufeld
Hurd	Weisgerber	Mitchell	-
		Nays—29	
Petter	Miller	Lovick	Sawicki
Marzari	Smallwood	Pullinger	Simpson
Edwards	Gabelmann	Janssen	Hartley
Cashore	Clark	Evans	Lali
O'Neill	MacPhail	Randall	Schreck
Perry	Ramsey	Beattie	Brewin
B. Jones	Barlee	Farnworth	Kasper
Giesbrecht			1

The preamble of Bill (No. 40) passed, on division.

Bill (No. 40) was reported complete with amendment.

Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 54) intituled *Liquor Distribution Amendment Act*, 1994, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 54) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 42) intituled *Petroleum Corporation Repeal Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 28) intituled Land Title Amendment Act, 1994 was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 31) intituled Municipal Amendment Act, 1994 was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 7) intituled *Financial Administration Amendment Act*, 1994 was committed and reported complete with amendment.

Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 20) intituled *Local Government Grants Act* was committed and reported complete with amendment.

Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 44) intituled Finance and Corporate Relations Statutes Amendment Act, 1994 was committed.

In consideration of section 26 of Bill (No. 44), the Committee divided as follows:

		Yeas—28	
Marzari Edwards Cashore O'Neill Perry B. Jones	Miller Smallwood Cull Gabelmann Clark Ramsey	Lovick Pullinger Janssen Evans Randall Beattie	Sawicki Simpson Hartley Lali Schreck Krog
Giesbrecht	Barlee	Farnworth	Kasper
		Nays—6	
Dalton Gingell	Stephens Weisgerber	Hanson	Tanner

Bill (No. 44) was reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 21) intituled *Heritage Conservation Statutes Amendment Act*, 1994 was again committed and reported complete with amendment.

Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 51) intituled Family Maintenance Enforcement Amendment Act, 1994 was again committed.

A proposed amendment by Mr. *Dalton* on the Order Paper to section 21 of Bill (No. 51) was defeated, on division.

Bill (No. 51) was reported complete, with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

By leave, Bill (No. 21) intituled *Heritage Conservation Statutes Amendment Act, 1994* was read a third time and passed.

The Hon. G. Clark moved that the House at its rising stand adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. today.

The House continued to sit past midnight.

And then the House adjourned at 2.04 a.m.

Wednesday, July 6, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Dalton.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 26) intituled *Medical and Health Care Services Amendment Act, 1994* was committed, reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 38) intituled *Health Statutes Amendment Act*, 1994 was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 48) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act* (No. 2), 1994 was committed, reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 54) intituled *Liquor Distribution Amendment Act*, 1994 was committed, reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 50) intituled Residential Tenancy Amendment Act, 1994 was again committed.

Section 7, as amended, of Bill (No. 50) passed, on division.

The title of Bill (No. 50) passed, on division.

Bill (No. 50) was reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

And then the House adjourned at 12.10 p.m.

Wednesday, July 6, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

The Hon. *C. Gabelmann* (Attorney General) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 55) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 3)*, 1994 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

July 6, 1994.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. A. Edwards (Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources) tabled the British Columbia Utilities Commission Annual Report, 1993.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 33) intituled Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 1994 was committed.

In consideration of section 4 of Bill (No. 33) the Committee divided:

		Yeas—54	
Marzari	Cull	Reid	Warnke
Pement	Gabelmann	Gingell	K. Jones
Priddy	Clark	Stephens	M. de Jong
Edwards	MacPhail	Weisgerber	Symons
Cashore	Ramsey	Hanson	Fox
O'Neill	Barlee	Serwa	Neufeld
Garden	Pullinger	Mitchell	H. De Jong
Dosanjh	Janssen	Jackson	Hartley
Hammell	Evans	Sawicki	Schreck
B. Jones	Randall	Streifel	Copping
Lortie	Beattie	Lord	Brewin
Giesbrecht	Farnworth	Tanner	Krog
Miller	Conroy	Jarvis	Kasper
Smallwood	Dalton		
		Nays—2	
Wilson	Tyabji		1

Section 8 of Bill (No. 33) passed, on division.

Bill (No. 33) was reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 53) intituled *Pension Statutes Amendment Act, 1994* was committed and reported complete with amendment.

Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 36) intituled Recall and Initiative Act, a debate arose.

On the motion of Mr. Weisgerber, the debate was adjourned until later today.

The House recessed for forty-five minutes.

THIRTY-FIVE MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 36) intituled *Recall and Initiative Act*.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

Sihota	Clark	Campbell	K. Jones
Marzari	Ramsey	Farrell-Collins	M. de Jong
Edwards	Barlee	Weisgerber	Fox
Cashore	Lovick	Hanson	Neufeld
Garden	Pullinger	Mitchell	Boone
Dosanjh	Janssen	Jackson	Hartley
Hammell	Randall	Simpson	Schreck
B. Jones	Beattie	Streifel	Copping
Lortie	Farnworth	Lord	Brewin
Giesbrecht	Chisholm	Warnke	Kasper
Gabelmann	Dalton		
		Nays—3	
Serwa	Wilson	Tyabji	

Bill (No. 36) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 7) intituled *Financial Administration Amendment Act, 1994* was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 20) intituled Local Government Grants Act was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. Pr 401) intituled *Lower Fraser Valley Exhibition Association Amendment Act* was read a second time and, by leave, *Ordered* to be committed forthwith.

Bill (No. Pr 401) was committed, reported complete without amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 29) intituled Environmental Assessment Act was again committed.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

The House continued to sit past midnight.

By leave, the Hon. G. Clark moved —

That a Special Committee be appointed to select and unanimously recommend to the Legislative Assembly, the appointment of a Child, Youth and Family Advocate, pursuant to section 3 of the *Child, Youth and Family Advocacy Act*, and that the Special Committee so appointed shall have the powers of a Select Standing Committee and is also empowered:

(a) to appoint of their number, one or more subcommittees and to refer to such subcommittees any of the matters referred to the Committee:

- (b) to sit during any period in which the House is adjourned, during recess after prorogation until the next following Session and during any sitting of the House;
- (c) to adjourn from place to place as may be convenient;
- (d) to retain such personnel as required to assist the Committee;

and shall report to the House as soon as possible, or following any adjournment, or at the next following Session, as the case may be; to deposit the original of its reports with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly during a period of adjournment and upon resumption of the sittings of the House, the Chair shall present all reports to the Legislative Assembly.

The said Special Committee is to be composed of Mr. Beattie (Convener), Ms. Pullinger, Ms. Hammell, Messrs. Krog, Farnworth, Streifel, Randall, M. de Jong, Anderson, Neufeld and Ms. Stephens.

Motion agreed to.

And then the House adjourned at 2.04 a.m.

Thursday, July 7, 1994

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Symons.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 34) intituled Forest Amendment Act, 1994 was committed.

Mr. Hurd moved two amendments to section 3 of Bill (No. 34) which were defeated, on division.

Section 3 of Bill (No. 34) passed, on division.

Bill (No. 34) was reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed, on division.

Bill (No. 56) intituled Forest Land Reserve Act was committed.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered later today.

Bill (No. 53) intituled *Pension Statutes Amendment Act, 1994* was read a third time and passed, on division.

And then the House adjourned at 12.33 p.m.

Thursday, July 7, 1994

Two o'clock P.M.

On the motion of Mr. K. Jones, Bill (No. M 218) intituled *Protection of British Columbia Heritage Artifacts Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. M. de Jong rose on a point of order, namely, a possible violation of Standing Order 90 by some Members of the Legislative Assembly.

Further submissions were made.

The Speaker stated that he would take the matter under advisement.

Ms. *Tyabji* presented a petition regarding chiropractic fees.

By leave, Dr. *Perry* presented a petition addressed to the Hon. *E. Cull* and the Hon. *M. Sihota* regarding a smoking ban in all public places.

The Hon. A. Petter (Minister of Forests) tabled the Ministry of Forests Annual Report, 1992/93.

The Hon. C. Gabelmann (Attorney General), on behalf of the Minister of Transportation and Highways, tabled the Annual Report of the Motor Carrier Commission, 1992/1993.

Mr. *Gingell* presented the First Report of the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts for the Third Session of the Thirty-fifth Parliament.

Resolved, That the Report be taken as read and received.

By leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the Report adopted.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 40) intituled *Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Act*, the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		Yeas—56	
Petter	Ramsey	Hurd	K. Jones
Sihota	Blencoe	Gingell	M. de Jong
Marzari	Lovick	Stephens	Symons
Cashore	Pullinger	Weisgerber	Fox
O'Neill	Janssen	Hanson	Neufeld
Perry	Evans	Mitchell	H. De Jong
Dosanjh	Randall	Wilson	Boone
Hammell	Beattie	Jackson	Hartley
B. Jones	Conroy	Sawicki	Lali
Lortie	Chisholm	Simpson	Schreck
Giesbrecht	Dalton	Streifel	Copping
Smallwood	Reid	Lord	Brewin
Gabelmann	Campbell	Jarvis	Krog
Clark	Farrell-Collins	Warnke	Kasper
		Nays—1	
Serwa			

Bill (No. 40) read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 56) intituled Forest Land Reserve Act was again committed.

Section 21 of Bill (No. 56) passed, on division.

Bill (No. 56) was reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 55) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act* (No. 3), 1994, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		Yeas—30	
Sihota	Giesbrecht	Evans	Hartley
Priddy	Cull	Beattie	Lali
Cashore	Gabelmann	Jackson	Schreck
O'Neill	Clark	Sawicki	Copping
Perry	Ramsey	Streifel	Brewin
Hammell	Lovick	Lord	Krog
B. Jones	Pullinger	Boone	Kasper
Lortie	Janssen		
		Nays—20	
~Chisholm	Hurd	Mitchell	M. de Jong
Dalton	Gingell	Wilson	Symons
Reid	Weisgerber	Tyabji	Fox
Campbell	Hanson	Tanner	Neufeld
Farrell-Collins	Serwa	Jarvis	H. De Jong

Bill (No. 55) read a second time.

Bill (No. 55) to be referred to Committee of the Whole later today.

The Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows:

Honourable Members:

Earlier today the Honourable Member for Matsqui rose on a point of order predicated on Standing Order 90 which reads as follows:

"If it shall appear that any person has been elected and returned a Member of this House, or endeavoured so to be, by bribery, or any other corrupt practices, this House will proceed with the utmost severity against all such persons as shall have been wilfully concerned in such bribery or other corrupt practice."

The Honourable Member tabled correspondence, financial statements and a newspaper article and, in conclusion, stated that if the point of order raised was sustained, he would move a motion seeking a referral to the Select Standing Committee on Parliamentary Reform and Ethical Conduct.

The Chair then heard submissions by the House Leader, the Honourable Member for West Vancouver-Garibaldi and the Honourable Member for Powell River-Sunshine Coast. The Honourable Member for West Vancouver-Garibaldi submitted, in effect, that there was no substantive information or finding before the House upon which the Chair could rule as to whether or not Standing Order 90 ought to be invoked as suggested by the Honourable Member for Matsqui.

A careful reading of Standing Order 90 which requires the House to proceed with "utmost severity" against Members and others guilty of grave offences suggests to the Chair that the House must first satisfy itself, by procedures otherwise available to it, that corrupt practices have been conclusively proven. The Chair is of the opinion that the words "if it shall appear" contained in Standing Order 90 must imply and require much more than appearances or perceptions and must be read to mean "if it shall be proven" to the House itself that corrupt practices have occurred, the House must then proceed with severity against the offending persons under Standing Order 90.

Accordingly, the Chair must conclude that Standing Order 90 in and of itself does not confer upon the Honourable Member for Matsqui the opportunity to move, if otherwise in order, a motion of referral to the Select Standing Committee on Parliamentary Reform and Ethical Conduct.

EMERY BARNES, Speaker

The Hon. G. Clark advised that the Select Standing Committee to Appoint a Child, Youth and Family Advocate will meet this evening while the House is in Session.

Bill (No. 36) intituled Recall and Initiative Act was committed.

In consideration of a proposed amendment by Mr. *Weisgerber* on the Order Paper to section 1 of Bill (No. 36), the Committee divided.

The amendment was defeated on the following division:

		Yeas—7	
Weisgerber	Serwa	Fox	H. De Jong
Hanson	Mitchell	Neufeld	
		Nays—40	
Petter	Gabelmann	Campbell	Jarvis
Sihota	Clark	Farrell-Collins	Symons
Priddy	Ramsey	Hurd	Boone
O'Neill	Pullinger	Gingell	Hartley
Perry	Janssen	Stephens	Lali
Hammell	Beattie	Jackson	Schreck
B. Jones	Conroy	Sawicki	Copping
Lortie	Chisholm	Simpson	Brewin
Giesbrecht	Dalton	Streifel	Krog
Cull	Reid	Lord	Kasper

Mr. Campbell moved an amendment to section 1 of Bill (No. 36) which was defeated on the following division:

		Yeas—17	
Chisholm	Hurd	Hanson	Symons
Dalton	Gingell	Serwa	Fox
Reid	Stephens	Mitchell	Neufeld
Campbell	Weisgerber	M. de Jong	H. De Jong
Farrell-Collins	O		
		Nays—29	
Sihota	Cull	Conroy	Hartley
Priddy	Gabelmann	Jackson	Lali
O'Neill	Clark	Sawicki	Schreck
Perry	Ramsey	Simpson	Copping
Hammell	Pullinger	Streifel	Brewin
B. Jones	Janssen	Lord	Krog
Lortie	Beattie	Boone	Kasper
Giesbrecht			1

Section 1 of Bill (No. 36) passed, on division.

A proposed amendment by Mr. Weisgerber on the Order Paper to section 3 of Bill (No. 36) was defeated, on division.

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Mr. Dalton moved an amendment to section 3 of Bill (No. 36) which was defeated, on division.

Section 3 of Bill (No. 36) passed, on division.

A proposed amendment by Mr. Weisgerber on the Order Paper to section 4 of Bill (No. 36) was defeated, on division.

In consideration of section 4 of Bill (No. 36), the Committee divided as follows:

		Yeas—28	
Sihota	Giesbrecht	Beattie	Boone
Priddy	Gabelmann	Conroy	Hartley
O'Neill	Clark	Jackson	Lali
Perry	Ramsey	Sawicki	Schreck
Hammell	Lovick	Simpson	Copping
B. Jones	Pullinger	Streifel	Krog
Lortie	Janssen	Lord	Kasper
		Nays—14	
Chisholm	Hurd	Serwa	Symons
Dalton	Gingell	Mitchell	Neufeld
Reid	Stephens	Jarvis	H. De Jong
Farrell-Collins	Weisgerber		

A proposed amendment by Mr. Weisgerber on the Order Paper to section 6 of Bill (No. 36) was defeated, on division.

Section 6 of Bill (No. 36) passed, on division.

A proposed amendment by Mr. Serwa on the Order Paper to section 7 of Bill (No. 36) was defeated, on division.

Mr. Dalton moved an amendment to section 7 of Bill (No. 36) which was defeated, on division.

Mr. Weisgerber moved an amendment to section 7 of Bill (No. 36) which was defeated, on division.

Section 7 of Bill (No. 36) passed, on division.

Mr. Campbell moved an amendment to section 14 of Bill (No. 36) which was defeated, on division.

A proposed amendment by Mr. Weisgerber on the Order Paper to section 14 of Bill (No. 36) was defeated, on division.

In consideration of a proposed amendment by Mr. *Serwa* on the Order Paper to section 15 of Bill (No. 36), the Committee divided.

The amendment was defeated on the following division:

Chisholm	Yeas—18			
	Hurd	Serwa	Symons	
Dalton	Gingell	Mitchell	Fox	
Reid	Stephens	Jarvis	Neufeld	
Campbell	Weisgerber	M. de Jong	H. De Jong	
Farrell-Collins	Hanson	0	· ·	

Nays—26

Cull Priddy Jackson Hartley O'Neill Gabelmann Sawicki Lali Perry Clark Simpson Schreck Hammell Lovick Streifel Copping Krog B. Jones Pullinger Lord Lortie Beattie Boone Kasper Giesbrecht Conroy

Mr. *Campbell* moved an amendment to section 15 of Bill (No. 36) which was defeated, on division. In consideration of section 15 of Bill (No. 36), the Committee divided as follows:

Priddy O'Neill Perry Hammell B. Jones Lortie Giesbrecht	Cull Gabelmann Clark Lovick Pullinger Beattie Conroy	Jackson Sawicki Simpson Streifel Lord Boone	Hartley Lali Schreck Copping Krog Kasper
		Nays—17	
Chisholm Dalton Reid Campbell Farrell-Collins	Hurd Gingell Stephens Weisgerber	Hanson Serwa Mitchell Jarvis	Symons Fox Neufeld H. De Jong

Section 16, as amended, of Bill (No. 36) passed on division.

Mr. Campbell moved an amendment to section 17 of Bill (No. 36) which was defeated, on division.

Mr. Campbell moved an amendment to section 18 of Bill (No. 36) which was defeated, on division.

Mr. Campbell moved an amendment to section 19 of Bill (No. 36) which was defeated, on division.

Section 19 of Bill (No. 36) passed, on division.

A proposed amendment by Mr. Weisgerber on the Order Paper to section 20 of Bill (No. 36) was defeated, on division.

In consideration of proposed amendments by Mr. *Weisgerber* on the Order Paper to section 23 of Bill (No. 36), the Committee divided.

The amendments were defeated on the following division:

Weisgerber	Serwa	Fox	H. De Jong
Hanson	Mitchell	Neufeld	

Nays—36

Farrell-Collins PriddyGabelmann Symons O'Neill Clark Hurd Boone Perry Pullinger Gingell Hartley Hammell Randall Stephens Lali B. Jones Beattie Jackson Schreck Lortie Chisholm Sawicki Copping Giesbrecht Dalton Simpson Brewin Miller Reid Streifel Krog Cull Campbell Jarvis Kasper

Mr. *Campbell* moved an amendment to section 23 of Bill (No. 36) which was defeated, on the following division:

		Yeas—10	
Chisholm Dalton Reid	Campbell Farrell-Collins Hurd	Gingell Stephens	Jarvis Symons
		Nays—33	
Priddy	Gabelmann	Mitchell	Boone
O'Neill	Clark	Jackson	Hartley
Perry	Pullinger	Sawicki	Lali
Hammell	Beattie	Simpson	Schreck
B. Jones	Conroy	Streifel	Copping
Lortie	Weisgerber	Fox	Brewin
Giesbrecht	Hanson	Neufeld	Krog
Miller	Serwa	H. De Jong	Kasper
Cull			

Sections 23 and 24 of Bill (No. 36) passed, on division.

In consideration of a proposed amendment by Mr. *Weisgerber* on the Order Paper to section 25 of Bill (No. 36), the Committee divided.

The amendment was defeated on the following division:

		Yeas—7	
Weisgerber	Serwa	Fox	H. De Jong
Hanson	Mitchell	Neufeld	
		Nays—34	
Priddy	Clark	Stephens	Boone
O'Neill	Pullinger	Jackson	Hartley
Hammell	Randall	Sawicki	Lali
B. Jones	Beattie	Simpson	Schreck
Lortie	Conroy	Streifel	Copping
Giesbrecht	Chisholm	Lord	Brewin
Miller	Dalton	Jarvis	Krog
Cull	Reid	Symons	Kasper
Gabelmann	Gingell	-	•

Mr. Dalton moved an amendment to section 25 of Bill (No. 36) which was defeated, on division.

Section 29 of Bill (No. 36) passed, on division.

A proposed amendment by Mr. Weisgerber on the Order Paper to section 30 of Bill (No. 36) was defeated, on division.

Mr. Weisgerber moved an amendment to section 30 (4) of Bill (No. 36) which was defeated, on division.

In consideration of the motion that the Committee rise and report the Bill complete with amendment, the Committee divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		Yeas—28	
Priddy	Miller	Conroy	Hartley
O'Neill	Cull	Jackson	Lali
Perry	Gabelmann	Sawicki	Schreck
Hammell	Clark	Simpson	Copping
B. Jones	Pullinger	Streifel	Brewin
Lortie	Randall	Lorď	Krog
Giesbrecht	Beattie	Boone	Kasper
		Nays—17	
Chisholm	Gingell	Serwa	M. de Jong
Dalton	Stephens	Mitchell	Symons
Reid	Weisgerber	Wilson	Fox
Campbell	Hanson	Jarvis	Neufeld
Hurd			v

Bill (No. 36) was reported complete with amendment.

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 36), the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		Yeas—30	
Sihota	Miller	Conroy	Hartley
Priddy	Cull	Jackson	Lali
O'Neill	Gabelmann	Sawicki	Schreck
Perry	Clark	Simpson	Copping
Hammell	Lovick	Streifel	Brewin
B. Jones	Pullinger	Lorď	Krog
Lortie	Randall	Boone	Kasper
Giesbrecht	Beattie		
		Nays—17	
~Chisholm	Gingell	Serwa	M. de Jong
Dalton	Stephens	Mitchell	Symons
Reid	Weisgerber	Wilson	Fox
Campbell	Hanson	Jarvis	Neufeld
Hurd			v

By leave, Bill (No. 36) was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 29) intituled *Environmental Assessment Act* was again committed and reported complete with amendment.

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 29), the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		1EAS—40	
Sihota	Clark	Farrell-Collins	Tanner
Priddy	Lovick	Hurd	M. de Jong
O'Neill	Pullinger	Gingell	Symons
Perry	Evans	Stephens	Boone
Hammell	Randall	Wilson	Hartley
B. Jones	Beattie	Jackson	Lali
Lortie	Conroy	Sawicki	Schreck
Giesbrecht	Chisholm	Simpson	Brewin
Cull	Dalton	Streifel	Krog
Gabelmann	Reid	Lord	Kasper
		Nays—1	
Serwa			

Bill (No. 29) was read a third time and passed.

The House continued to sit past midnight.

By leave, Bill (No. 55) intituled Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 3), 1994 was committed.

In consideration of section 7 of Bill (No. 55), the Committee divided as follows:

		Yeas—27	
Priddy	Cull	Conroy	Hartley
O'Neill	Gabelmann	Jackson	Lali
Perry	Clark	Sawicki	Schreck
Hammell	Pullinger	Simpson	Brewin
B. Jones	Evans	Streifel	Krog
Lortie	Randall	Lorď	Kasper
Giesbrecht	Beattie	Boone	•
		Nays—7	
Dalton	Hurd	Tanner	M. de Jong
Reid	Serwa	Jarvis	

In consideration of section 8 of Bill (No. 55), the Committee divided.

Section passed *nemine contradicente* on the following division:

Priddy			
	Evans	Gingell	Tanner
O'Neill	Randall	Stephens	M. de Jong
Perry	Beattie	Serwa	Boone
Hammell	Conroy	Jackson	Hartley
Giesbrecht	Chisholm	Sawicki	Schreck
Gabelmann	Dalton	Simpson	Krog
Clark	Reid	Streifel	Kasper
Pullinger			

Bill (No. 55) was reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

The Hon. G. Clark moved that the House at its rising stand adjourned until 11 o'clock a.m. today.

And then the House adjourned at 3.10 a.m.

Friday, July 8, 1994

ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Ms. Stephens.

Mr. Wilson rose on a matter of privilege relating to a possible conflict of interest concerning the Member for Matsqui.

Mr. Serwa made representations.

Mr. Farrell-Collins made representations.

The Hon. G. Clark made representations.

Mr. Schreck made representations.

The Speaker stated he would take the matter under advisement.

The Hon. *E. Barnes* (Speaker) tabled the Annual Report of the Legislative Assembly Management Committee for the period July 22, 1993 to July 7, 1994.

The Speaker declared a short recess.

His Honour the Administrator having entered the House, and being seated in the Chair —

Ian D. Izard, Esq., Law Clerk and Clerk Assistant, read the titles to the following Bills:

Bill (No. 7) Financial Administration Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 20) Local Government Grants Act.

Bill (No. 21) Heritage Conservation Statutes Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 25) Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 26) Medical and Health Care Services Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 28) Land Title Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 29) Environmental Assessment Act.

Bill (No. 31) Municipal Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 33) Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 34) Forest Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 36) Recall and Initiative Act.

Bill (No. 38) Health Statutes Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 40) Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Act.

Bill (No. 41) Community Financial Services Act.

Bill (No. 42) Petroleum Corporation Repeal Act.

Bill (No. 44) Finance and Corporate Relations Statutes Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 48) Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 1994.

Bill (No. 50) Residential Tenancy Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 51) Family Maintenance Enforcement Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 53) Pension Statutes Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 54) Liquor Distribution Amendment Act, 1994.

Bill (No. 55) Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 3), 1994.

Bill (No. 56) Forest Land Reserve Act.

Bill (No. Pr 401) Lower Fraser Valley Exhibition Association Amendment Act.

His Honour was pleased in Her Majesty's name to give assent to the said Bills.

The said assent was announced by *E. George MacMinn*, Q.C., Clerk of the House, in the following words:

"In Her Majesty's name, His Honour the Administrator does assent to these Bills."

His Honour the Administrator was then pleased to retire.

The Hon. G. Clark moved —

That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until it appears to the satisfaction of the Speaker, after consultation with the Government, that the public interest requires that the House shall meet, or until the Speaker may be advised by the Government that it is desired to prorogue the Third Session of the Thirty-fifth Parliament of the Province of British Columbia. The Speaker may give notice that he is so satisfied or has been so advised and thereupon the House shall meet at the time stated in such notice, and, as the case may be, may transact its business as if it has been duly adjourned to that time and date; and

That, in the event of the Speaker being unable to act owing to illness or other cause, the Deputy Speaker shall act in his stead for the purpose of this order.

On the motion of the Hon. G. Clark, the House adjourned at 11.19 a.m.

Wednesday, March 22, 1995

ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Neufeld.

The Hon. E. Barnes (Speaker) tabled the following documents:

Special Report No. 16 of the Ombudsman with respect to The Nikki Merry Case — An Investigation of a Complaint to the College of Physicians and Surgeons of British Columbia.

Report of the Chief Electoral Officer relating to the February 17, 1994, by-elections in the Matsqui Electoral District and the Vancouver-Quilchena Electoral District, pursuant to section 5 (9) of the *Election Act*.

Financial Statement of the Office of the Auditor General of British Columbia, for the year ended March 31, 1993.

Auditor General 1994/95: Report 1 — Value-for-Money Audits — Purchasing in School Districts.

Auditor General 1994/95: Report 2 — Value-for-Money Audits — Provincial Agricultural Land Commission.

Auditor General 1994/95: Report 3 — Report on the 1993/94 Public Accounts, Province of British Columbia.

Commission on Resources and Environment Annual Report, 1993/94.

The Speaker announced that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor was about to enter the Chamber.

The Honourable DAVID C. LAM, Lieutenant Governor of the Province, having entered the House, took his seat on the Throne, and was pleased to deliver the following gracious Speech:

Honourable Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

In closing this third session of the thirty-fifth parliament of British Columbia, I wish to commend you on the accomplishments of the past year. I also wish to express my appreciation, on behalf of all British Columbians, for the care and attention you have given to your deliberations.

I now relieve you of your legislative duties.

The Hon. C. Gablemann (Attorney General) then said:

Honourable Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

It is His Honour the Lieutenant Governor's will and pleasure that the Legislative Assembly be prorogued until 2 o'clock p.m. today, and this Provincial Legislative Assembly is hereby prorogued accordingly.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

The Statement of Unclaimed Money Deposits pursuant to the *Unclaimed Money Act*, for the year ended March 31, 1994, was received by the Office of the Clerk on January 18, 1995.

Pursuant to section 55 (3) of the *Constitution Act*:

A declaration by the Member of the Electoral District of Abbotsford (Mr. *H. De Jong*) of his intention to resign his seat as a Member of the Legislative Assembly, November 1, 1994, was delivered to the Speaker.

And then the House prorogued at 11.13 a.m.

EMERY O. BARNES, Speaker

PROCLAMATION

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D. C. LAM Lieutenant Governor

CANADA: PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom, Canada and Her Other Realms and Territories, QUEEN, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith

To all to whom these presents shall come — Greeting

To Our Faithful Members Elected to Serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of British Columbia, at Our City of Victoria — Greeting

A PROCLAMATION

Know YE, that for divers causes and considerations and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving subjects, We have thought fit to prorogue Our said Legislature or Parliament on the twenty-second day of March, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-five at 11:00 o'clock in the forenoon at Our City of Victoria.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of Our Province to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS, the Honourable DAVID C. LAM, Lieutenant Governor of Our Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our Province, this seventh day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ninety-five, and in the forty-fourth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

SUMMARY

Numb	er of sitting days		80
Numb	er of sittings —		
	Morning	47	
	Afternoon	65	
			77
Debate	es (number of sittings) —		
	Address in Reply	7	
	Budget Motion	8	
	Estimates Resolutions: Section A: 13; Section B: 8)		
	(Resolutions: Section A: 13; Section B: 8)	42	
Numb	er of Bills introduced (including 55 Message Bills)		77
Numb	er of Bills passed —		
	Public	55	
	Private	1	
	Members		
			56
Divisi	ons		99
Motio	ns on Division		149