Monday, September 19, 1977

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Clare Holmes.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

By leave, the Hon. L. A. Williams (Minister of Labour) made a statement relating to the Teamsters' Union internal dispute.

Mr. Barrett rose on a point of order, namely, that Bill (No. 65) intituled Community Resources Boards Amendment Act, 1977 improperly appeared for second reading on page 12 of the Orders of the Day, because no disposition of the Bill had been made by the House at its last sitting with respect thereto.

Mr. Speaker ruled that the references cited by the Leader of the Opposition from Sir Erskine May were not applicable in the present case under Standing Order 1, and ruled that the placing of the said Bill as it appeared on the Orders of the Day was specifically provided for under Standing Order 31 (2) of the House, which states that:

"Orders not proceeded with when called, upon the like request, may be allowed to stand, retaining their precedence; otherwise they shall be dropped and be placed on the Order Paper for the next sitting after those of the same class at a similar stage."

The Speaker's ruling was challenged.

The Speaker's ruling was sustained on the following division:

	YEAS—27		
Veitch	Fraser	Kerster	Mair
Mussallem	Curtis	Kempf	Williams
Loewen	Chabot	Kahl	McClelland
Wallace, G. S.	McGeer	Haddad	Hewitt
Gibson	Gardom	Vander Zalm	Davis
Jordan	McCarthy	Nielsen	Waterland
Calder	Lloyd	Bawlf	
		Nays—13	
Wallace, B.	Lockstead	Nicolson	Dailly
Barber	Skelly	Lea	Barrett
Brown	Sanford	Cocke	Macdonald
Barnes	Date Designation I was		

The House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders."

Bill (No. 68) intituled The Notre Dame University of Nelson Act, 1977 was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 57) intituled Soil Conservation Act was 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 the second reading of Bill (No. 65) intituled Community Resources Boards Amendment Act, 1977 moved by the Hon. G. B. Gardom, on behalf of the Hon. W. N. Vander Zalm (Minister of Human Resources), a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Barnes, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8 o'clock p.m. today.

And then the House adjourned at 5.57 p.m.

Monday, September 19, 1977

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 65) intituled Community Resources Boards Amendment Act, 1977.

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

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. tomorrow.

And then the House adjourned at 10.58 p.m.

Tuesday, September 20, 1977

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Rabbi Leo Abrami.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders."

Bill (No. 57) intituled Soil Conservation Act was committed, reported complete with amendments.

By leave, Bill as reported to be considered forthwith.

By leave, Bill (No. 57) was read a third time and passed.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 65) intituled Community Resources Boards Amendment Act, 1977.

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

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. tomorrow.

And then the House adjourned at 5.58 p.m.

Wednesday, September 21, 1977

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Alex Shook.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

By leave, the Hon. K. R. Mair (Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs) tabled information in reply to a question asked by the 2nd Member for Vancouver-Burrard relating to the constitutionality of a moratorium on mortgage foreclosures.

On the motion of Mr. Wallace, Bill (No. M 220) intituled Non-Smokers' Preferred Risk Insurance Rates 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.

By leave, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 65) intituled Community Resources Boards Amendment Act, 1977.

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

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8 o'clock p.m. today.

And then the House adjourned at 5.59 p.m.

Wednesday, September 21, 1977

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

By leave, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 65) intituled Community Resources Boards Amendment Act, 1977.

An Honourable Member questioned the presence of a quorum in the House. The division bell was rung. Upon a count being taken, Mr. Speaker stated that a quorum was present.

The debate continued.

Mr. Barrett rose on a point of order relating to the use of dictating equipment by Members during proceedings in the House.

Mr. Speaker stated that he considered the matter one for the House to determine but he would give the matter further consideration.

Mr. Lauk rose on a matter of privilege relating to the use of dictating equipment by Members during proceedings in the House.

Mr. Speaker ruled that the matter was not one of privilege.

The debate continued.

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

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. tomorrow.

And then the House adjourned at 10.55 p.m.

Thursday, September 22, 1977

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Wee Chong Tan.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

By leave, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 65) intituled Community Resources Boards Amendment Act, 1977.

An Honourable Member questioned the presence of a quorum in the House. The division bell was rung. Upon a count being taken, Mr. Speaker stated that a quorum was present.

The debate continued.

Mr. Lea rose on a point of order, namely, that if the Speaker's attention is drawn to a lack of quorum the Speaker must forthwith adjourn the House.

Mr. Speaker ruled that, upon notice being taken that a quorum is not present, the division bell is rung and members are summoned as if for a division and after the expiration of the prescribed time, the Speaker proceeds to count the House. Upon such count if a quorum then be present, the business of the House continues. The Speaker referred to the 16th edition of Sir Erskine May, at page 331.

Upon a further point of order being raised by the Honourable Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Speaker ruled that any question as to the method by which a quorum had been determined should have been raised at the time and not at a later time during the debate in progress.

The Speaker's ruling was challenged.

The Speaker's ruling was sustained on the following division:

		YEAS—18	
Mussallem	Chabot	Kerster	Vander Zalm
Loewen	McGeer	Kempf	Nielsen
Jordan	Gardom	Kahl	Bawlf
Calder	McCarthy	Haddad	Waterland
Fraser	Lloyd		
		Nays—9	
Brown	Sanford	Lea	King
Barnes	Nicolson	Dailly	Barrett
Lockstead			

The debate continued.

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

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. tomorrow.

And then the House adjourned at 5.58 p.m.

Friday, September 23, 1977

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Father John Lancaster.

The Hon. Grace McCarthy (Provincial Secretary) welcomed the Rt. Hon. John G. Diefenbaker, P.C., Q.C., on the floor of the House.

The House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 65) intituled Community Resources Boards Amendment Act, 1977.

An Honourable Member questioned the presence of a quorum in the House. The division bell was rung. Upon a count being taken, Mr. Speaker stated that a quorum was present.

The debate continued.

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

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 12.54 p.m.

Monday, September 26, 1977

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. D. E. F. Moulden.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders."

Bill (No. 89) intituled Labour Code of British Columbia Amendment Act, 1977 was committed.

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

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The Committee further reported that, in consideration of section 1, the Committee had divided, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. Nicolson, the Rules were suspended and it was Ordered that the said division be recorded as follows:

		YEAS-28	
Mussallem Loewen Bawtree Jordan Shelford Calder Fraser	Curtis Wolfe Bennett Gardom Phillips McCarthy Lloyd	Kerster Kempf Kahl Haddad Davidson Vander Zalm Nielsen	Bawlf Mair Williams McClelland Hewitt Davis Waterland
	•	Nays—15	
Wallace, B. Barber Brown Barnes	Lockstead D'Arcy Sanford Levi	Wallace, G. S. Nicolson Dailly Stupich	King Barrett Macdonald

The Committee further reported that, in consideration of section 2, the Committee had divided, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Ms. Sanford, the Rules were suspended and it was Ordered that the said division be recorded as follows:

		YEAS—28	
Mussallem	Fraser	Lloyd	Bawlf
Loewen	Curtis	Kerster	Mair
Wallace, G. S.	Wolfe	Kempf	Williams
Bawtree	Bennett	Kahl	McClelland
Jordan	Gardom	Haddad	Hewitt
Shelford	Phillips	Davidson	Davis
Calder	McCarthy	Vander Zalm	Waterland
		Nays—13	
Wallace, B.	Lockstead	Levi	Stupich
Barber	D'Arcy	Nicolson	King
Brown	Sanford	Dailly	Barrett
Barnes			

The Hon. G. B. Gardom presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:

WALTER S. OWEN Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 69) intituled Family Relations Amendment Act, 1977 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, June 21, 1977.

By leave of the House, Bill introduced and read a first time. Second reading at the next sitting after today.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8 o'clock p.m. today.

The Hon. Jack Davis, on behalf of the Hon. J. A. Nielsen (Minister of the Environment), presented the Annual Report and Financial Statement of the Provincial Land Commission for the year ended March 31, 1977.

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

Monday, September 26, 1977

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees."

Mr. Bawtree presented the First Report of the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture as follows:

REPORT No. 1

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, September 26, 1977

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Agriculture begs leave to report as follows: We present this report in relation to our terms of reference.

PHASE IV (2)

That the Committee shall consider any changes in the present food marketing system which may be beneficial to consumers, producers, and merchandisers and shall recommend methods whereby government may influence the adoption of such changes.

I enclose the report and recommendation of the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture with respect to the participation of the Province of British Columbia in the National Broiler Agency. As background to this report, I am enclosing the following documents:

- 1. A report titled *Background for Committee Members—National Chicken Agency*, presented to the members of the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture prior to their meeting in Fort St. John, Monday, August 29, 1977.
- 2. Research staff report on *British Columbia Participation in a Proposed National Chicken Marketing Agency*, presented to the Committee, Friday, September 2, 1977, at a meeting of the Committee in Kamloops.
- 3. A brief report to the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture following the presentation of the Consumers Association of Canada brief. Presented at a meeting of the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture in Vancouver, Friday, September 23, 1977.

I summarize, below, information with respect to the background, approach, the staff recommendation, and the Committee recommendation to this Legislature. For further information, please refer to the attached reports.

Background

In early August 1977, the Cabinet of the Province of British Columbia temporarily rejected a proposal that the B.C. Broiler Marketing Board and the Province of British Columbia participate in the proposed National Chicken Marketing Agency. The Cabinet decision was relayed to the B.C. Broiler Marketing Board who contacted the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture currently holding hearings into the B.C. food industry.

Following the request of the B.C. Broiler Board for an urgent study of this problem, S.S.C.A. staff accelerated their study to produce this report. Steps involved in the study included meetings with the following bodies:

Federal Department of Agriculture.

National Farm Products Marketing Council.

Ontario Department of Agriculture.

Canadian Poultry Processors Association.

Manitoba Turkey Board.

Manitoba Broiler Board.

Canadian Turkey Marketing Agency.

Manitoba Department of Agriculture.

Alberta Turkey and Broiler Marketing Boards.

Lillydale Poultry Co-op.

B.C. Broiler Marketing Board.

B.C. Department of Agriculture staff.

Summary of Conclusions

I outline major conclusions below. Other conclusions are contained in the attached document number two.

1. B.C. broiler producers have an expanding market over the last ten years, a level of efficiency comparable to the rest of Canada, and a slightly larger size of

broiler farm compared to the rest of Canada.

- 2. The major discrepancy in price at the retail level between B.C. and Eastern Canada is accounted for by higher wholesaler-retailer spreads in the B.C. market. Wholesaler-retailer spreads are also higher than producer spreads, comparing B.C. and Pacific Northwest markets.
- 3. Price spread differences at the retail level between Vancouver, Toronto, and Washington State imply that B.C. retailers have either relatively higher costs of operation and (or) receive higher net returns.

4. B.C. broiler producers are pressuring for a national chicken marketing agency as a result of indirect threats of imports of U.S. chicken causing displace-

ment of Eastern Canadian broilers to the B.C. market.

5. U.S. chicken imports into Canada are rapidly increasing, at least partly the result of a desire by importing firms to establish financially lucrative import quotas. A continuation of this pressure will undoubtedly undermine the B.C. broiler industry.

6. The prime alternative to a national chicken agency is to allow and encourage a high degree of vertical integration in the B.C. broiler industry. This would also undoubtedly result in a drop in the total amount of chicken supplied by B.C. producers, and would result in a serious undermining of the concept of the family farm in the broiler industry.

7. There is no evidence that a national chicken marketing agency will directly

cause any rise in prices to the B.C. consumer.

Staff Recommendations

The research staff recommended to the B.C. Select Standing Committee on Agriculture on September 2 that "B.C. move quickly and judiciously to become a signatory to a modified National Chicken Marketing Agency." (The modifications are spelled out in section VI-1 of report number two attached to this summary letter.) The major modification which would be required is the recognition of the agency as the applicant and first receiver of all imports. Staff recommended that B.C.'s participation in the national agency would be contingent on, and subsequent to, appointment of a national agency as first receiver of imports.

Consumers Association of Canada Input

The Consumers Association of Canada, by telegram on Wednesday, September 7, asked for and received a delay in the decision of the Committee in order to allow them to prepare and present a brief on this matter at the Vancouver hearings. Their recommendation was "we urge the Committee and the Government, in the strongest terms, to keep British Columbia out of the National Chicken Marketing Plan." Their recommendation was based almost entirely on their belief that the existence of the B.C. Broiler Marketing Board had resulted in an overcharge to B.C. consumers by broiler producers amounting to "from \$4.1 to 5.5" million per year.

Research Staff Comments

Report number three attached to this report summarizes Sclect Standing Committee on Agriculture staff analysis of the Consumers Association contention. On page four it states, "Therefore an analysis of the new data presented to us does not lead to the conclusion that our earlier data on cost of production is incorrect. It is premature in our analysis to be able to state unequivocally that no overcharge exists. We can, however, say that Consumers Association of Canada data does not support their conclusion that there is a \$4.1 to 5.5 million overcharge based on the cost of production discrepancies."

In the same report, staff commented further on page six. "Having reviewed the more recently presented information in depth, the research staff can find no justification to alter our original recommendation in any way. We strongly urge the Committee to recommend to the Legislature that the Province of B.C. become a signatory to the Canadian Chicken Marketing Agency, subject to prior agreement that the agency be the applicant and first receiver of imports of all global quota established through negotiation with countries exporting chicken to Canada."

Committee Recommendation

It was moved, seconded, and the Committee approved that "the Province of British Columbia become an immediate signatory to the Canadian Chicken Marketing Agency with the provision that the agency become the applicant and first receiver of imports, prior to December 31, 1978. Further, that we give notice at this time that if the first receiver provision is not accomplished by that date, B.C. immediately withdraw from the National plan."

As chairman of the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture, I hereby refer the Committee's recommendation to the Legislature for their consideration.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

LEONARD BAWTREE, Chairman

The report was taken as read and received.

The House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders."

The committal of Bill (No. 89) intituled Labour Code of British Columbia Amendment Act, 1977 was resumed.

Bill committed, reported complete with amendments. Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

The Committee further reported that, in consideration of section 6 as amended, the Committee had divided, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Ms. Sanford, the Rules were suspended and it was Ordered that the said division be recorded as follows:

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Strongman	Fraser	Kempf	Mair
Mussallem	Curtis	Kahl	Williams
Loewen	Wolfe	Haddad	McClelland
Bawtree	Gardom	Davidson	Hewitt
Jordan	McCarthy	Vander Zalm	Davis
Shelford	Lloyd	Bawlf	Waterland
Calder	Kerster	,	

Brown

Barnes

Nays--16

Wallace, B.	Lockstead	Wallace, G. S.	Stupich
Barber	D'Arcy	Lauk	King
Brown	Sanford	Nicolson	Barrett
Barnes	Levi	Dailly	Macdonald

The Committee further reported that, in consideration of section 7, the Committee had divided, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Ms. Sanford, the Rules were suspended and it was Ordered that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS-26

Strongman	Fraser	Kempf	Mair
Mussallem	Curtis	Kahl	Williams
Loewen	Wolfe	Haddad	McClelland
Bawtree	Gardom	Davidson	Hewitt
Jordan	McCarthy	Vander Zalm	Davis
Shelford	Lloyd	Bawlf	Waterland
Calder	Kerster		
		Nays—16	

Wallace, B.	Lockstead	Wallace, G. S.	Stupich
Barber	D'Arcy	Lauk	King
Brown	Sanford	Nicolson	Barrett
Barnes	Levi	Dailly	Macdonald

The Committee further reported that, in consideration of section 8, the Committee had divided, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Ms. Sanford, the Rules were suspended and it was Ordered that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS-25

Strongman	Curtis	Kempf	Mair
Mussallem	Wolfe	Kahl	Williams
Bawtree	Gardom	Haddad	McClelland
Jordan	McCarthy	Davidson	Hewitt
Shelford	Lloyd	Vander Zalm	Davis
Calder	Kerster	Bawlf	Waterland
Fraser			
		Nays—15	
Wallace, B.	Lockstead	Wallace, G. S.	King
Barber	D'Arcy	Lauk	Barrett

Sanford

The Committee further reported that, in consideration of section 9 as amended, the Committee had divided, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

Dailly

Stupich

Macdonald

By leave of the House, on the motion of Ms. Sanford, the Rules were suspended and it was Ordered that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS-26

Strongman Mussallem Loewen Wallace, G. S. Bawtree	Calder Fraser Curtis Wolfe Gardom	Kerster Kempf Kahl Haddad Davidson Vander Zalm	Bawlf Mair Williams McClelland Hewitt Waterland
Jordan Shelford	McCarthy Lloyd	Nays—11	w ateriana
Wallace, B. Brown Barnes	Lockstead D'Arcy Sanford	Levi Lauk Stupich	King Macdonald

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 65) intituled Community Resources Boards Amendment Act, 1977.

The debate continued.

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

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. tomorrow.

And then the House adjourned at 11.02 p.m.

Tuesday, September 27, 1977

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by the Rev. H. W. Schroeder.

The House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 65) intituled Community Resources Boards Amendment Act, 1977.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS-26

Veitch	Calder	McCarthy	Vander Zalm
Strongman	Fraser	Lloyd	Williams
Mussallem	Curtis	Kerster	McClelland
Loewen	Wolfe	Kempf	Hewitt
Schroeder	Bennett	Haddad	Davis
Jordan	Gardom	Davidson	Waterland
Shelford	Phillips		

Nays-15

Wallace, B.	Lockstead	Wallace, G. S.	Stupich
Barber	D'Arcy	Lauk	Barrett
Brown	Sanford	Nicolson	Macdonald
Barnes	Levi	Dailly	

Bill read a second time, and by leave, Bill Ordered to be committed today.

Bill (No. 83) intituled Motor-vehicle Amendment Act, 1977 (No. 4) was read a second time.

By leave, Bill Ordered committed forthwith.

Bill (No. 83) was committed, reported complete with amendment.

By leave, Bill as reported to be considered forthwith.

By leave, Bill (No. 83) was read a third time and passed.

By leave, Mr. Speaker tabled a Report on the Events Pertaining to the British Columbia Tour of the 23rd Annual Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Conference hosted in British Columbia between September 12 to 15, 1977.

By leave, on the motion of the Hon. G. B. Gardom, on behalf of the Hon. Grace McCarthy (Provincial Secretary and Minister of Travel Industry), it was Ordered—

That the Special Committee of Selection appointed on the 13th day of January 1977 and the Committee on Crown Corporations established by Chapter VIIIA of the Standing Orders be empowered to sit during any adjournment of the House.

On the motion for the third reading of Bill (No. 89) intituled Labour Code of British Columbia Amendment Act, 1977 the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS-24 Vander Zalm Phillips Veitch Shelford Williams Calder Llovd Strongman Kerster McClelland Mussallem Fraser Kempf Loewen Curtis Hewitt Schroeder Wolte Haddad Davis Davidson Waterland Gardom Jordan Nays—13 D'Arcy Wallace, G. S. Stupich Barber Nicolson Barrett Brown Sanford Barnes Levi Dailly Macdonald Lockstead

Bill read a third time and passed.

By leave, Bill (No. 65) intituled Community Resources Boards Amendment Act, 1977 was committed, reported complete with amendments.

The Committee further reported that, in consideration of section 1, the Committee had divided, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Ms. Brown, the Rules were suspended and it was Ordered that the said division be recorded as follows:

	YEAS-24		
Veitch	Fraser	Lloyd	Bawlf
Mussallem	Curtis	Kerster	Williams
Loewen	Wolfe	Kempf	McClelland
Jordan	Bennett	Haddad	Hewitt
Sheltord	Gardom	Davidson	Davis
Calder	Phillips	Vander Zalm	Waterland
		Nays—13	
Barber	D'Arcv	Wallace, G. S.	Stupich
Brown	Sanford	Nicolson	Barrett
Barnes	Levi	Dailly	Macdonald
Lockstead		·	

The Committee further reported that, in consideration of section 2, the Committee had divided, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Ms. Brown, the Rules were suspended and it was Ordered that the said division be recorded as follows:

	YEAS—24		
Veitch Mussallem Loewen Jordan Shelford Calder	Fraser Curtis Wolfe Bennett Gardom Phillips	Lloyd Kerster Kempf Haddad Davidson Vander Zalm	Bawlf Williams McClelland Hewitt Davis Waterland
		Nays—14	
Wallace, B. Barber Brown Barnes	Lockstead D'Arcy Sanford Levi	Wallace, G. S. Nicolson Dailly	Stupich Barrett Macdonald

The Committee further reported that, in consideration of section 3 as amended, the Committee had divided, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Ms. Brown, the Rules were suspended and it was Ordered that the said division be recorded as follows:

		YEAS-24	
Veitch Strongman Mussallem Loewen Jordan Shelford	Calder Fraser Curtis Bennctt Gardom Phillips	Lloyd Kerster Kempf Haddad Davidson Vander Zalm	Bawlf Williams McClelland Hewitt Davis Waterland
		Nays—15	
Wallace, B. Barber Brown Barnes	Lockstead D'Arcy Sanford Levi	Wallace, G. S. Lauk Nicolson Dailly	Stupich Barrett Macdonald

The Committee further reported that, in consideration of section 4, the Committee had divided, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Ms. Brown, the Rules were suspended and it was Ordered that the said division be recorded as follows:

Veitch Strongman Mussallem Loewen Jordan	Calder Fraser Curtis Gardom Phillips	Lloyd Kerster Kempf Haddad Davidson	Bawlf Williams McClelland Hewitt Davis
Shelford	McCarthy	Vander Zalm NAYS—14	Waterland
Wallace R	Lockstead	Wallace, G. S.	Stupich

Wallace, B. Barber	Lockstead D'Arcy	Wallace, G. S. Lauk	Stupich Barrett
Brown	Sanford	Dailly	Macdonald
Barnes	Levi		

The Committee further reported that, in consideration of the title of Bill (No. 65), the Committee had divided, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Ms. Brown, the Rules were suspended and it was Ordered that the said division be recorded as follows:

		YEAS—25	
Veitch	Fraser	Lloyd	Bawlf Williams
Strongman Mussallem	Curtis Wolfe	Kerster Kempf	McClelland
Loewen	Gardom	Haddad	Hewitt
Jordan	Phillips	Davidson	Davis
Shelfo rd Calde r	McCarthy	V ander Zalm	Waterland
		Nays—14	
Wallace, B.	Lockstead	Wallace, G. S.	Stupich
Barber	D'Arcy	Lauk	Barrett
Brown Barnes	Sanford Levi	Dailly	Macdonald

By leave, Bill as reported to be considered forthwith.

On the motion for the third reading of Bill (No. 65) the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		YEAS—26	
Veitch Strongman Mussallem Loewen Schroeder Jordan Shelford	Calder Fraser Curtis Wolfe Phillips Gardom McCarthy	Lloyd Kerster Kempf Haddad Davidson Vander Zalm	Bawlf Williams McClelland Hewitt Davis Waterland
		Nays—14	
Wallace, B. Barber Brown Barnes	Lockstead D'Arcy Sanford Levi	Wallace, G. S. Lauk Dailly	Stupich Barrett Macdonald

By leave, Bill read a third time and passed.

On the motion of the Hon. G. B. Gardom, it was Resolved—

That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until it appears to the satisfaction of Mr. Speaker, after consultation with the Government, that the public interest requires that the House shall meet, or until Mr. Speaker may be advised by the Government that it is desired to prorogue the Second Session of the Thirty-first Parliament of the Province of British Columbia. Mr. 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 shall transact its business as if it had been duly adjourned to that time; and

That, in the event of Mr. 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.

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:

- (No. 2) Evidence Amendment Act, 1977.
- (No. 33) Independent Schools Support Act.
- (No. 50) Societies Act.
- (No. 55) Corrections Amendment Act, 1977.
- (No. 57) Soil Conservation Act.
- (No. 59) Medical Centre of British Columbia Repeal Act.
- (No. 65) Community Resources Boards Amendment Act, 1977.
- (No. 67) Ministerial Titles Amendment Act, 1977.
- (No. 68) The Notre Dame University of Nelson Act, 1977.
- (No. 71) Automobile Insurance Amendment Act, 1977.
- (No. 76) Apprenticeship and Training Development Act.
- (No. 82) Colleges and Provincial Institutes Act.
- (No. 83) Motor-vehicle Amendment Act, 1977 (No. 4).
- (No. 85) Public Schools Amendment Act, 1977.
- (No. 88) Land Commission Amendment Act, 1977.
- (No. 89) Labour Code of British Columbia Amendment Act, 1977.
- (No. 90) Public Recreational Facilities Act.
- (No. 91) Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 1977.

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

The said assent was announced by the Clerk of the House in the following words:

"In Her Majesty's name, His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor doth assent to these Bills."

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor was then pleased to retire.

And then the House adjourned at 12.50 p.m.

Wednesday, October 19, 1977

FOUR O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. R. F. McPherson.

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

The Hon. L. A. Williams presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

JOHN L. FARRIS

Administrator

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 92) intituled Essential Services Disputes Act and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

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By leave of the House, Bill introduced and read a first time.

The Hon. L. A. Williams asked leave to move that the Bill be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting. Leave was not granted. Second reading at the next sitting after today.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. tomorrow.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. Barrett asked leave to make a statement and file a document. Leave was not granted.

By leave of the House, Mr. Barrett tabled a copy statement by the Special Mediator relating to B.C. Ferry Corporation and B.C. Ferry and Marine Workers Union.

And then the House adjourned at 4.39 p.m.

Thursday, October 20, 1977

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Father Joseph Ponic.

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

By leave, the Hon. W. R. Bennett (Premier) made a statement clarifying an answer given by him during question period yesterday.

Mr. Barrett asked leave to make a statement. Leave was not granted.

By leave, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders."

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 92) intituled *Essential Services Disputes Act* a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Kempf, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. today.

And then the House adjourned at 12.58 p.m.

Thursday, October 20, 1977

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. Lea rose on a matter of privilege relating to conflict in statements made by various persons regarding the recent work stoppage on the B.C. Ferries.

Mr. Speaker reserved his decision.

By leave, the Hon. L. A. Williams (Minister of Labour) tabled a copy letter to Mr. Clive McKee from Mr. James G. Matkin, Deputy Minister of Labour, dated October 11, 1977, enclosing Notice of Appointment relating to the dispute between British Columbia Ferry Corporation and British Columbia Ferry and Marine Workers' Union.

By leave, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 92) intituled *Essential Services Disputes Act*.

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

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8.30 o'clock p.m. today.

Mr. Speaker delivered his reserved decision on the matter of privilege raised during the sitting by the Honourable Member for Prince Rupert. Mr. Speaker

stated that he could find no *prima facie* case of breach of privilege and quoted from a Speaker's ruling (Journals of the House, 1975, at pages 35 and 36) as follows:

"Claims of breach of privilege raised by members relating to the veracity of statements attributed to members continue to plague the records of Hansard in Ottawa and the numerous claims of privilege to be found there have consistently been rejected by the distinguished Speakers of that House whenever they occur." and

"Speakers have consistently refused to consider setting aside the order of business

of the House to take up differences of this kind."

Mr. Lea asked leave to move a motion without notice. Leave was not granted.

109 Mr. Kahl asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary and Minister of Travel Industry the following question:

In view of the fact that those responsible for the B.C. Salmon Derby use the title "British Columbia", would the Minister recommend to those people that, since the event is advertised as a British Columbia event, the same rules apply to all British Columbia areas?

The Hon. Grace McCarthy replied as follows:

"The Minister is prepared to recommend that those responsible for the B.C. Salmon Derby ensure that the applicable rules are as fair as possible for participants in all areas."

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

Thursday, October 20, 1977

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Lauk rose on a point of order relating to time alleged to have been taken up by points of order during his speech immediately before the afternoon adjournment.

Mr. Speaker stated he would make a statement later to clarify the matter raised.

By leave, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 92) intituled Essential Services Disputes Act.

On the motion of Mrs. Jordan, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. tomorrow.

And then the House adjourned at 10.48 p.m.