

**Monday, June 5, 1978**

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TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Pastor *Melvin A. Tucker*.

Mr. *Barber* asked leave to delay oral question period. Leave was not granted.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *G. B. Gardom* asked leave of the House to move Motion 16. Leave was not granted.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Order, the House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

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The Chairman's attention was drawn to the clock.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

Without question put, the Chairman reported progress and that the Committee ask leave to sit again.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.01 p.m.

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**Monday, June 5, 1978**

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HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Order, the House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

54. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$119,793 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Education, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1979.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,097,460 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Education, Ministry Services, to 31st March 1979.

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The Committee reported the Resolutions.  
Report to be considered at the next sitting.  
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

And then the House adjourned at 10.53 p.m.

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## Tuesday, June 6, 1978

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TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

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

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

By leave, the Hon. *E. M. Wolfe* (Minister of Finance) tabled Regulations governing B.C. Hydro's use of herbicides on power-line rights-of-way, dated July 1977.

Mr. *Lea* asked leave to move that the Rules be suspended and question period be extended by 15 minutes each day for the remainder of the Session. Leave was not granted.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Order, the House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$591,589,968 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Education, Basic Education K-XII Program, to 31st March 1979.

57. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,156,008 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Education, Independent Schools, to 31st March 1979.

58. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$208,602,857 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Education, Post-secondary Education—Universities, to 31st March 1979.

59. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$146,630,743 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Education, Post-secondary Education—Colleges and Provincial Institutes, to 31st March 1979.

60. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,273,537 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Education, Student Aid Programs, to 31st March 1979.

61. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,600,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Education, Teachers' Pension Fund, to 31st March 1979.

62. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$331,430 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Education, Metric Conversion, to 31st March 1979.

63. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Education, Advances *re* Rural School Taxes—Net, to 31st March 1979.

64. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$87,735 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Education, Research Secretariat, to 31st March 1979.

65. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$18,057,264 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Education, Building Occupancy Charges, to 31st March 1979.

66. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,300,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Education, Computer and Consulting Charges, to 31st March 1979.

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The Committee reported the Resolutions.  
Report to be considered at the next sitting.  
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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. 4) *British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (1964) Amendment Act, 1978.*

(No. 15) *Provincial Home-owner Grant Amendment Act, 1978.*

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

The said assent was announced by *Ian M. Horne*, Q.C., 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.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.55 p.m.

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**Tuesday, June 6, 1978**

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HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Order, the House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

## (IN THE COMMITTEE)

The Committee rose and reported progress.  
Report to be considered at the next sitting.  
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

By leave, Mr. *Bawtree* presented a report intituled The Scope and Objectives of the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture, and made a statement.

The report was taken as read and received.

By leave of the House, Mr. *Barnes* withdrew the following Notice of Motion standing in his name on the Order Paper:

That this House join with the Vancouver Safety Council in promoting co-operation and understanding between the motoring public and bicyclists, and that it proclaim Bicycle Safety Week, May 20–27, Province wide.

**39** Mrs. *Wallace* asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture the following questions:

With respect to the Farm Income Assurance Program—

1. What was the effective starting date for each commodity or commodity group covered?
2. To the latest date available, what was the premium balance with respect to each commodity?
3. What was the maximum number of participants in each commodity plan?

The Hon. *J. J. Hewitt* replied as follows:

	“Question No. 1	Question No. 2	Question No. 3
Commodity	Starting Date	Premium Balance to May 25, 1978	Maximum Number of Participants
Dairy.....	December 1, 1973	\$14,604,028.19 deficit	1,350
Swine.....	January 1, 1974	107,709.23 deficit	81
Field tomatoes.....	1974 crop	39,309.03 deficit	36
Tree fruit.....	Apples 1973	7,504,127.38 deficit	1,687
	other 1974		
Greenhouse vegetables.....	April 1, 1974	83,221.69 deficit	90
Beef.....	April 1, 1974	419,196.57 surplus	2,264
Broiler hatching egg.....	April 1, 1974	47,910.60 surplus	39
Commercial egg.....	April 1, 1975	822,784.64 surplus	184
Blueberry.....	1975 crop	29,835.45 surplus	115
Sheep.....	1975 crop	343.64 surplus	138
Raspberry.....	1976 crop	448,395.59 deficit	163
Potato.....	1975 crop	511,870.67 deficit	125”

And then the House adjourned at 11 p.m.

**Wednesday, June 7, 1978**

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TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *P. D. Ross*.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. *Barrett* asked leave to move that the Rules be suspended and question period delayed for one hour. Leave was not granted.

Mr. *Levi* rose on a point of order, namely, that oral question period be extended by the time involved with points of order during question period.

Mr. Speaker stated that oral question period commenced at the call of the Order and was terminated fifteen minutes later. It could only be extended by leave or general consent.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Order, the House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$139,990 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Attorney-General, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1979.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,804,356 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Attorney-General, Administration and Support, to 31st March 1979.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$28,952,359 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Attorney-General, Court Services, to 31st March 1979.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,284,545 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Attorney-General, Crown Counsel, to 31st March 1979.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$35,192,543 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Attorney-General, Police Services, to 31st March 1979.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$53,941,435 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Attorney-General, Corrections, to 31st March 1979.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,600,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Attorney-General, Legal Services Commission, to 31st March 1979.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,835,180 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Attorney-General, Justice Development Commission, to 31st March 1979.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,673,452 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Attorney-General, Legal Services to Government, to 31st March 1979.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,548,370 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Attorney-General, Judiciary, to 31st March 1979.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,198,602 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Attorney-General, Coroners, to 31st March 1979.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$79,113 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Attorney-General, British Columbia Parole Board, to 31st March 1979.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$295,361 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Attorney-General, Law Reform Commission, to 31st March 1979.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Attorney-General, *Criminal Injuries Compensation Act*, to 31st March 1979.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,557,506 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Attorney-General, Public Trustee, to 31st March 1979.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,439,731 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Attorney-General, Fire Marshal, to 31st March 1979.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$452,890 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Attorney-General, Racing Commission, to 31st March 1979.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,958,191 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Attorney-General, Land Registry, to 31st March 1979.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$92,221 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Attorney-General, Order in Council Patients' Review Board, to 31st March 1979.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$21,488,642 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Attorney-General, Building Occupancy Charges, to 31st March 1979.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,641,600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of the Attorney-General, Computer and Consulting Charges, to 31st March 1979.

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The Committee reported the Resolutions.  
Report to be considered at the next sitting.  
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

**Thursday, June 8, 1978**

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TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. *J. W. Robertson*.

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

HENRY P. BELL-IRVING  
*Lieutenant-Governor*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 2) intituled *Good Samaritan Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*June 6, 1978.*

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

The Hon. *J. J. Hewitt* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:

HENRY P. BELL-IRVING  
*Lieutenant-Governor*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 24) intituled *Natural Products Marketing (British Columbia) Amendment Act, 1978* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*June 8, 1978.*

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

Mr. *Macdonald* asked leave that the Rules be suspended to move a motion, without notice, relating to applications for increase in natural gas prices. Leave was not granted.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

By leave, the Hon. *H. A. Curtis* (Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing) tabled correspondence referred to during question period today, relating to municipal assessments.

The Hon. *E. M. Wolfe* (Minister of Finance) tabled the Annual Report of the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority for the year ended March 31, 1978.

By leave, the Hon. *R. S. Bawlf* (Minister of Recreation and Conservation) replied to a question asked by the Member for Mackenzie during oral question period on June 6, relating to B.C. Ferries' fares for children and students.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Order, the House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100,533 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Agriculture, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1979.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,146,532 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Agriculture, Deputy Minister's Office, to 31st March 1979.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,241,849 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Agriculture, General Administration, to 31st March 1979.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,950,723 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Agriculture, Production Services, to 31st March 1979.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$503,383 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Agriculture, Marketing Services, to 31st March 1979.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$57,893,907 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Agriculture, General and Financial Services, to 31st March 1979.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,351,768 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Agriculture, Specialist and Regulatory Services, to 31st March 1979.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$203,671 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Agriculture, Milk Board, to 31st March 1979.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,437,855 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Agriculture, Building Occupancy Charges, to 31st March 1979.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$221,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Agriculture, Computer and Consulting Charges, to 31st March 1979.

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The Committee reported the Resolutions.  
Report to be considered at the next sitting.  
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.55 p.m.



**Friday, June 9, 1978**

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TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *Laura Butler*.

The Hon. *J. R. Chabot* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:

HENRY P. BELL-IRVING  
*Lieutenant-Governor*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 27) intituled *Coal Amendment Act, 1978* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*June 9, 1978.*

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

By leave, Ms. *Brown* tabled a copy letter, dated June 5, 1978, relating to administration of Vancouver General Hospital.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *G. B. Gardom*, the House proceeded to consideration of Motion 16 on the Order Paper.

The Hon *Grace McCarthy* moved—

That this House instruct the Committee of Selection appointed on the 30th day of March last to name a Special Committee to decide whether or not the Honourable First Member for Victoria or the Honourable Member for Boundary-Similkameen or the Honourable Member for Coquitlam sat or voted in the Legislative Assembly when he may have been disqualified from so doing in consequence of receiving funds from the Province of British Columbia resulting from his participation in the UBC and Provincial Housing Study instituted by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing:

And to decide whether or not the Honourable Member for Shuswap has sat or voted in the Legislative Assembly when he may have been disqualified from so doing in consequence of his receiving funds from the Province of British Columbia resulting from his participation in a fence-building program made available under the *Grazing Act*:

And that the Special Committee commence its sittings forthwith and report during this sitting of the Legislative Assembly and be authorized and required to allow representations of any persons by counsel on examination and cross-examination of witnesses.

A debate arose.

Mr. *King* moved an amendment—

That Motion No. 16 be amended to add after the words "Special Committee" in line 2 the following words: "composed of an equal number of government and opposition members with an opposition party member as chairman."

Mr. Speaker ruled that such an amendment required notice, therefore, could not be moved without leave.

Upon leave being asked for, leave was denied.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—23

*Veitch*  
*Strongman*  
*Mussallem*  
*Loewen*  
*Smith*  
*Jordan*

*Shelford*  
*Calder*  
*Curtis*  
*Chabot*  
*McGeer*  
*Wolfe*

*Bennett*  
*McCarthy*  
*Lloyd*  
*Kempf*  
*Kahl*  
*Haddad*

*Davis*  
*Davidson*  
*Vander Zalm*  
*McClelland*  
*Waterland*

NAYS—15

*Wallace*  
*Barber*  
*Brown*  
*Barnes*

*Lockstead*  
*Skelly*  
*Sanford*  
*Stephens*

*Gibson*  
*Lauk*  
*Lea*  
*Cocke*

*Dailly*  
*Stupich*  
*King*

By leave, Mr. *Barnes* moved—

As its contribution to the B.C. Lions Football Club's 25th anniversary celebrations, *Resolved*, That this House officially designate Tuesday, June 13, as "B.C. Lions Football Day" and that it send a message to the team and the hundreds of former players who will be returning to Vancouver for the occasion.

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders."

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 17) intituled *Municipal Amendment Act, 1978*, a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mrs. *Dailly* 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.

The Hon. *Sam Bawlf* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:

HENRY P. BELL-IRVING  
*Lieutenant-Governor*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 20) intituled *Public Libraries Amendment Act, 1978* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*June 9, 1978.*

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

The Hon. *P. L. McGeer* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:

HENRY P. BELL-IRVING  
*Lieutenant-Governor*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 23) intituled *Science Council of British Columbia Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*June 8, 1978.*

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

And then the House adjourned at 1 p.m.

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**Monday, June 12, 1978**

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TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *A. D. Carr*.

The Hon. *J. R. Chabot* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:

HENRY P. BELL-IRVING  
*Lieutenant-Governor*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 29) intituled *Petroleum and Natural Gas (1965) Amendment Act, 1978* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*June 12, 1978.*

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

The Hon. *H. A. Curtis* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:

HENRY P. BELL-IRVING  
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 26) intituled *Mobile Home Amendment Act, 1978* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*June 12, 1978.*

By leave of the House, 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. *Veitch* made a statement relating to a Member of the Select Standing Committee on Crown Corporations.

By leave, Mr. *King* made a statement in reply.

Objection was taken that the Member for Burnaby-Willingdon had held in question the conduct of a Member which could only be done by substantive motion on notice.

Mr. Speaker observed that, when a matter is raised by way of privilege, it should be followed by an indication of the motion proposed to be made in relation thereto.

Mr. *Barrett* rose on a point of order, namely, that the nature of the statement for which the Member for Burnaby-Willingdon had been given leave by the House was not fully and properly described prior to the granting of leave.

Mr. Speaker stated that he would take all matters raised under advisement for later ruling.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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. 17) intituled *Municipal Amendment Act, 1978*.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—28

*Veitch*  
*Strongman*  
*Rogers*  
*Mussallem*  
*Loewen*  
*Stephens*  
*Bawtree*

*Smith*  
*Jordan*  
*Shelford*  
*Calder*  
*Curtis*  
*Chabot*  
*McGeer*

*Bennett*  
*McCarthy*  
*Lloyd*  
*Kempf*  
*Kahl*  
*Haddad*  
*Davidson*

*Vander Zalm*  
*Nielsen*  
*Bawlf*  
*Mair*  
*McClelland*  
*Hewitt*  
*Waterland*

## NAYS—14

Wallace  
Barber  
Brown  
D'Arcy

Skelly  
Gibson  
Nicolson  
Lea

Cocke  
Dailly  
Stupich

King  
Barrett  
Macdonald

Bill 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. 19) intituled *Urban Transit Authority Act* a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Lea*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Order called for "Private Bills."

Bill (No. Pr 402) intituled *An Act Respecting The Royal Trust Company and Royal Trust Corporation of Canada* was read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.58 p.m.

## Monday, June 12, 1978

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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. 19) intituled *Urban Transit Authority Act*.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

## YEAS—26

Veitch  
Strongman  
Rogers  
Mussallem  
Loewen  
Gibson  
Bawtree

Smith  
Jordan  
Shelford  
Calder  
Curtis  
Chabot  
Bennett

Lloyd  
Kempf  
Kahl  
Haddad  
Davis  
Davidson

Vander Zalm  
Nielsen  
Bawlf  
McClelland  
Hewitt  
Waterland

## NAYS—11

*Barber*  
*Brown*  
*D'Arcy*

*Skelly*  
*Levi*  
*Nicolson*

*Lea*  
*Cocke*  
*Stupich*

*King*  
*Macdonald*

Bill read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11 p.m.

## Tuesday, June 13, 1978

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *Sui-Man Lee*.

On the motion of Mr. *Gibson*, Bill (No. M 217) intituled *Restriction of the Use of Spring Traps 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."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 18) intituled *Heroin Treatment Act* a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Levi*, 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.

And then the House adjourned at 5.58 p.m.

## Tuesday, June 13, 1978

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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. 18) intituled *Heroin Treatment Act*.

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 2 o'clock p.m. tomorrow.

And then the House adjourned at 11 p.m.

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### Wednesday, June 14, 1978

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TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *Charles Barker*.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

Bill (No. 26) intituled *Mobile Home Amendment Act, 1978* 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. 14) intituled *Forest Act*, a debate arose.

Mr. *King* rose on a point of order, namely, that the late filing of extensive amendments made second reading of the Bill inappropriate.

Mr. Speaker ruled that the motion for second reading of the Bill should be proceeded with and that any question as to inadmissibility of amendments would be a question for Committee on the Bill, when and if any such amendments be moved.

Mr. *Barrett* rose on a point of order, namely, that the Bill presently being debated on second reading could not be proceeded with, and referred to Standing Orders 75, 79, 87, and 94 (3).

Mr. Speaker stated he would reserve his decision and ruled that in the meantime it was in order to proceed with the motion for second reading.

The Speaker's ruling was challenged.

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

## YEAS—27

<i>Veitch</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Lloyd</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>
<i>Rogers</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Kerster</i>	<i>Nielsen</i>
<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Bawlf</i>
<i>Bawtree</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Kahl</i>	<i>Mair</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Haddad</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>
<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Davis</i>	<i>Waterland</i>
<i>Shelford</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Davidson</i>	

## NAYS—17

<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Skelly</i>	<i>Lauk</i>	<i>Stupich</i>
<i>Barber</i>	<i>Sanford</i>	<i>Lea</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Barnes</i>	<i>Levi</i>	<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Dailly</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>
<i>D'Arcy</i>			

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. *Lockstead*, 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.

By leave, on the motion of Ms. *Brown*, Bill (No. M 218) intituled *Wrongful Dismissal 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.

Mr. Speaker delivered a reserved decision as follows:

*Honourable Members:*

Yesterday, I undertook to consider several matters arising from a statement made by the Honourable Member for Burnaby-Willingdon with leave of the House.

One objection to the statement, namely, that an improper imputation had been made against the 2nd Member for Vancouver-Burrard, was disposed of yesterday by an appropriate withdrawal.

A further objection was taken by the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition that the statement made was different in character from that which was indicated upon the request for leave to make the statement. The Honourable Leader of the Opposition suggested that this might constitute a *prima facie* case of breach of privilege, but, as the Honourable Leader himself did not indicate he had a motion relating thereto, the matter cannot proceed further (Journals 1974, page 28).

However, I would observe that, in obtaining the floor on a point of order, or a matter of privilege, the point or matter must be *bona fide* to avoid any abuse of the rules. Honourable Members are likewise fixed with a similar responsibility when describing the essence of the statement for which leave is requested.

I must also reiterate that, if the conduct of a Member or a charge of a personal character *is to be debated*, it may only be done upon a substantive motion which admits of a distinct vote of the House (May, 16th edition, page



400). This rule was clearly indicated by the Chair when similar suggestions of possible breach of the *Constitution Act* were sought to be made in Committee of the Whole (Hansard, July 8, 1977, pages 3513-3524).

As a consequence of my review of this matter, I have concluded that there is no basis for any further procedural ruling from the Chair.

H. W. SCHROEDER, *Speaker*

And then the House adjourned at 6.01 p.m.

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### Thursday, June 15, 1978

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TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Capt. *J. Wilder*.

On the motion of Mr. *Mussallem*, Bill (No. M 219) intituled *Nutrition Awareness 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 the Hon. *J. A. Nielsen* (Minister of the Environment) Bill (No. 16) intituled *Dykes Maintenance Amendment Act, 1978* 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. *Lauk* asked leave to extend question period by 10 minutes. Leave was not granted.

By leave, the Hon. *W. R. Bennett* (Premier) replied to a question by the Member for Prince Rupert, relating to Mr. *W. A. R. Tozer*.

Mr. Speaker announced that today was the 25th anniversary of the Honourable Member for Atlin as the longest sitting Member of the Assembly and on behalf of the House expressed congratulations on this occasion.

Mr. Speaker declared a recess.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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. 14) intituled *Forest Act*.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. *Macdonald*, on behalf of Mr. *Lauk*, 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.

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

Mr. *Mussallem* presented the Third Report of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:

REPORT NO. 3

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

June 15, 1978

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills begs leave to report as follows:

That the preamble to Bill (No. Pr 403) intituled *An Act to Amend the Vancouver Charter* has been proved and the Bill *Ordered* to be reported with amendments.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

G. MUSSALLEM, *Chairman*

The report was read and received.

By leave, the Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

Mr. *Bawtree* presented a report of the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture intituled *Weed Control in British Columbia*, dated May 1978.

The report, by leave, was taken as read and received.

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

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**Friday, June 16, 1978**

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TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Pastor *John Stone*.

Mr. *Stephens* asked leave to move adjournment of the House to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely, increased levels of taxation.

Mr. Speaker stated that as the matter was not one of recent occurrence there would be difficulty in bringing the matter within the scope of Standing Order 35, but he would consider the matter further. Opinion reserved.

By leave, Mr. *Bawtree* tabled a report of the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture intituled Rebates and Allowances in the British Columbia Food Industry, and made a statement relating thereto.

The Hon. *K. R. Mair* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:

HENRY P. BELL-IRVING  
*Lieutenant-Governor*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 36) intituled *Commodity Contracts Trading Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*June 16, 1978.*

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

The Hon. *K. R. Mair* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:

HENRY P. BELL-IRVING  
*Lieutenant-Governor*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 33) intituled *Consumer and Corporate Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, 1978* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*June 16, 1978.*

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

The Hon. *H. A. Curtis* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:

HENRY P. BELL-IRVING  
*Lieutenant-Governor*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 34) intituled *Municipal Affairs and Housing Statutes Amendment Act, 1978* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*June 16, 1978.*

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

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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. 14) intituled *Forest Act*.

The debate continued.

Mr. *Lauk* moved an amendment (seconded by Mr. *Cocke*) as follows:

That the motion, that Bill (No. 14) be read a second time now, be amended as follows: By striking out the word "now" and by substituting the words "six months hence".

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mrs. *Dailly*, the debate on the amendment 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 12.55 p.m.

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## Monday, June 19, 1978

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TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *Walter Donald*.

On the motion of the Hon. *D. M. Phillips* (Minister of Economic Development) Bill (No. 21) intituled *Development Corporation of British Columbia Amendment Act, 1978* 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. *G. B. Gardom* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:

HENRY P. BELL-IRVING  
*Lieutenant-Governor*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 30) intituled *Land Titles Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*June 15, 1978.*

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

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

HENRY P. BELL-IRVING  
*Lieutenant-Governor*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 31) intituled *Conveyancing and Law Property Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*June 15, 1978.*

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

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

HENRY P. BELL-IRVING  
*Lieutenant-Governor*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 32) intituled *Execution Amendment Act, 1978* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*June 15, 1978.*

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By leave of the House, 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. M. Wolfe* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:

HENRY P. BELL-IRVING  
*Lieutenant-Governor*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 11) intituled *Finance Statutes Amendment Act, 1978* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*June 12, 1978.*

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

Mr. Speaker delivered a reserved opinion as follows:

*Honourable Members:*

At the commencement of proceedings on Friday last the Honourable Member for Oak Bay sought to raise a matter under Standing Order 35 relative to property tax increases throughout the Province.

I note that during last week the Member had raised the same issue during oral question period on a number of occasions and an examination of Hansard will reveal that the issue was discussed at some length during the debate on second reading of Bill No. 19, the *Urban Transit Authority Act*, which received second reading on June 12.

In the 16th edition of Sir Erskine May, at page 370, it is pointed out that a motion under Standing Order 35 must involve an urgent matter of recent occurrence which has been raised without delay. A further reading of this citation will reveal that the fact that a grievance is continuing is not sufficient if it is not of recent occurrence, and further, that if the matter is not raised at the earliest opportunity it fails in urgency.

I am of the opinion that the subject of high taxation has a lengthy history and therefore is not of itself of recent history. In any event, it is obvious that it was not raised at the earliest opportunity and therefore the matter cannot be considered as urgent within the meaning of Standing Order 35.

H. W. SCHROEDER, *Speaker*

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 14) intitled *Forest Act*.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:

YEAS—18

<i>Wallace</i>	<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Dailly</i>
<i>Barber</i>	<i>Skelly</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>Stupich</i>
<i>Brown</i>	<i>Sanford</i>	<i>Lea</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Barnes</i>	<i>Levi</i>	<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>
<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>Stephens</i>		

NAYS—30

<i>Veitch</i>	<i>Shelford</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Nielsen</i>
<i>Strongman</i>	<i>Calder</i>	<i>Lloyd</i>	<i>Bawlf</i>
<i>Rogers</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Kerster</i>	<i>Mair</i>
<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Williams</i>
<i>Loewen</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Haddad</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
<i>Bawtree</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Davis</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Davidson</i>	<i>Waterland</i>
<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Phillips</i>		

The debate was resumed on the main motion.

On the motion of Mrs. *Wallace* 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.

And then the House adjourned at 5.57 p.m.