

**Wednesday, July 25, 1990**

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TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *C. H. Richmond* (Minister of Forests) presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

JOHN D. TAGGART  
*Administrator*

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 72) intituled *Forest Amendment Act (No. 3), 1990* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*July 25, 1990.*

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Bill introduced and read a first time.  
Second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Mr. *Sihota*, Bill (No. M 240) intituled *An Act to Improve Employment Standards* 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. *J. Savage* (Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries) presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

JOHN D. TAGGART  
*Administrator*

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 75) intituled *Okanagan Valley Tree Fruit Authority Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*July 24, 1990.*

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Bill introduced and read a first time.  
Second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Mr. *Sihota*, Bill (No. M 241) intituled *An Act to Extend Workers Compensation Protection* 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. *Harcourt*, Bill (No. M 242) intituled *Forestry Research and Development 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. *Miller*, Bill (No. M 243) intituled *Forestry Value Added 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. *R. G. Fraser* (Attorney General and Solicitor General) tabled the following:

The Annual Report of the Law Reform Commission of British Columbia, 1989/90.

The Annual Report of the Ministry of Attorney General, April 1, 1988 to March 31, 1989.

Annual Report of Legal Services Society of British Columbia, 1988-1989.

The Hon. *C. H. Richmond* (Minister of Forests) made a ministerial statement relating to an agreement between the Province of British Columbia and Cariboo Fibreboard Ltd. of Williams Lake.

Mr. *Miller* made a statement.

Ms. *Marzari* presented the First Report of the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts for the Fourth Session of the Thirty-fourth Parliament.

*Resolved*, That the Report be taken as read and received.

On the motion that the Report be adopted, a debate arose.

By leave, the Report was adopted.

On the motion of the Hon. *C. H. Richmond*, it was *Ordered* that leave be given for the Select Standing Committee on Forests and Lands to meet while the House is in session today.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,812,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Office of the Premier and Executive Council Operations, Office of the Premier and Executive Council Operations, to 31st March 1991.

The Committee reported the Resolution.  
Report to be considered at the next sitting.  
Committee to sit again later today.

The House continued to sit after 6 o'clock p.m.

The Hon. *W. B. Strachan*, on behalf of the Hon. *J. D. Reynolds* (Minister of Environment) presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

JOHN D. TAGGART  
*Administrator*

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 68) intituled *Waste Management Amendment Act, 1990* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*July 25, 1990.*

Bill introduced and read a first time.  
Second reading at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 50) intituled *Municipal Amendment Act, 1990* was committed, reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 55) intituled *Referendum Act* was committed, reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 65) intituled *Senatorial Selection Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Sections 3, 6 and 9 of Bill (No. 65) passed, on division.

The following Bills were 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. 73) intituled *Adoption Amendment Act, 1990*.

Bill (No. 36) intituled *Energy Efficiency Act*.

Bill (No. 64) intituled *Indian Self Government Enabling Act*.

Bill (No. 54) intituled *Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act, 1990*.

Bill (No. 76) intituled *Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 1990*.

Bill (No. 46) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 1990*.

Bill (No. 67) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 1990*.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 79) intituled *Public Sector Collective Bargaining Disclosure Act*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS — 34

<i>Long</i>	<i>Pelton</i>	<i>Richmond</i>	<i>Ree</i>
<i>Mercier</i>	<i>Dueck</i>	<i>Veitch</i>	<i>Messmer</i>
<i>Crandall</i>	<i>Rabbitt</i>	<i>Dirks</i>	<i>L. Hanson</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Chalmers</i>	<i>Weisgerber</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>J. Jansen</i>	<i>De Jong</i>	<i>Parker</i>
<i>Serwa</i>	<i>Davis</i>	<i>Huberts</i>	<i>Jacobsen</i>
<i>Davidson</i>	<i>Couvelier</i>	<i>Vant</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Mowat</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Reid</i>	<i>Brummet</i>
<i>Loenen</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>		

NAYS — 14

<i>G. Janssen</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Edwards</i>	<i>Boone</i>
<i>Jones</i>	<i>Smallwood</i>	<i>Blencoe</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>
<i>Perry</i>	<i>Pullingier</i>	<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>Rose</i>
<i>Miller</i>	<i>Cashore</i>		

Bill (No. 79) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Mr. Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows:

*Honourable Members:*

At the two o'clock sitting on Tuesday, the Honourable Second Member for Okanagan South raised what he described as a matter of privilege with respect to allegations against him attributed to the Leader of the Opposition.

The Honourable Member for Okanagan South summarized his complaint and tabled a witnessed statement by himself and a further witnessed statement signed by the Honourable Member for Mackenzie. Finally, the Member for Okanagan South tendered a motion he would propose to move should the Chair find a *prima facie* breach of privilege.

Contained within the statements referred to above were allegations of certain conversations between the Second Member for Okanagan South, the Member for Mackenzie and the First Member for Nanaimo.

The First Member for Nanaimo spoke briefly to the matter of privilege and denied the remarks attributed to him in the tabled statements.

The gist of the complaint of the Member for Okanagan South was that he was offended by remarks attributed to the Leader of the Opposition made outside the House. The Chair, in this situation, has no evidence as to whether or not the attributed remarks were actually made by the Honourable Leader of the Opposition and, in any event, does not have the power to order a withdrawal of words spoken outside this Chamber. While the Member for Okanagan South may have a grievance which he has brought to the Chair's attention, the matter, as presented, does not qualify *prima facie* as a case which would permit the Member to move the appropriate motion.

I now turn to the matter raised by the Honourable Member for Mackenzie whose complaint was based on remarks attributed to the Leader of the Opposition, apparently made on television. Again, in this case, there is no transcript available for the Chair to examine relating to those remarks and, in addition, the Honourable Member for Mackenzie has not tendered with his complaint the appropriate motion, and accordingly this matter fails to qualify, *prima facie*, as a matter of privilege.

The Chair wishes to make a further observation, which I hope will be of assistance to the Members. Unless remarks objected to are made in the House (or a Committee thereof and have been reported to the House) the Chair is powerless to request a withdrawal. Even when, in appropriate circumstances, the Chair has requested such a withdrawal, he does not have further power to order an apology. Speakers throughout the Commonwealth have stated, time and again, that while an order from the Chair makes a withdrawal mandatory, the matter of an apology is left to the conscience of the individual Member.

Finally, the Chair cannot but help observe that the recent proliferation of complaints presented as matters of privilege does little to enhance the dignity of this Chamber and I would earnestly urge Members to consider their material with considerable care before rising on a matter which they describe as a matter of privilege.

C. STEPHEN ROGERS, *Speaker*

Order for Committee of Supply called.

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

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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 9.30 o'clock a.m. tomorrow.

**6** Ms. *Edwards* asked the Hon. the Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources the following questions:

With respect to natural gas produced in British Columbia during the last year:

1. Provide a breakdown of the revenue from these sales and the cost of production and transmission.
2. Provide a breakdown of domestic B.C. sales and the cost of production and transmission.
3. Provide a list of all export sales for which the wellhead price for natural gas was below that charged to domestic customers for the same product.

The Hon. *J. Davis* stated that, in his opinion, the reply should be in the form of a Return and that he had no objection to laying such Return upon the Table of the House, and thereupon presented such Return.

And then the House adjourned at 11.09 p.m.

## Thursday, July 26, 1990

NINE-THIRTY O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

On the motion of Ms. *Edwards*, Bill (No. M 244) intituled *Notice of Termination 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.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 79) intituled *Public Sector Collective Bargaining Disclosure Act* was committed.

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

Bill to be considered later today.

In consideration of section 1 of Bill (No. 79), the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—39

*Long*  
*Mercier*  
*Crandall*  
*Smith*  
*Peterson*  
*Bruce*  
*Serwa*  
*Davidson*  
*Mowat*  
*McCarthy*

*Loenen*  
*Kempf*  
*Dueck*  
*Rabbitt*  
*J. Jansen*  
*Davis*  
*Couvelier*  
*Fraser*  
*Richmond*  
*S. Hagen*

*Veitch*  
*Dirks*  
*Chalmers*  
*De Jong*  
*Huberts*  
*Vant*  
*Reid*  
*Ree*  
*Michael*  
*Messmer*

*L. Hanson*  
*Weisgerber*  
*Parker*  
*Jacobsen*  
*Reynolds*  
*Gran*  
*Strachan*  
*Savage*  
*Brummet*

## NAYS — 20

<i>G. Janssen</i>	<i>Sihota</i>	<i>Cashore</i>	<i>Boone</i>
<i>Jones</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Edwards</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>
<i>Perry</i>	<i>Lovick</i>	<i>Blencoe</i>	<i>Harcourt</i>
<i>Cull</i>	<i>Guno</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Rose</i>
<i>Miller</i>	<i>Pullinger</i>	<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>G. Hanson</i>

The Hon. *H. Dirks* (Provincial Secretary) presented to Mr. 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. 66) intituled *Members' Conflict of Interest Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*July 26, 1990.*

Bill introduced and read a first time.  
Second reading later today.

Bill (No. 79) intituled *Public Sector Collective Bargaining Disclosure Act* was again committed.

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

In consideration of section 2 of Bill (No. 79), the Committee divided as follows:

## YEAS — 39

<i>Long</i>	<i>Loenen</i>	<i>S. Hagen</i>	<i>L. Hanson</i>
<i>Mercier</i>	<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Veitch</i>	<i>Weisgerber</i>
<i>Crandall</i>	<i>Pelton</i>	<i>Dirks</i>	<i>Parker</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Dueck</i>	<i>Chalmers</i>	<i>Jacobsen</i>
<i>Peterson</i>	<i>Rabbitt</i>	<i>Huberts</i>	<i>Reynolds</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>J. Jansen</i>	<i>Vant</i>	<i>Gran</i>
<i>Serwa</i>	<i>Davis</i>	<i>Reid</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Davidson</i>	<i>Couvelier</i>	<i>Ree</i>	<i>Savage</i>
<i>Mowat</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Michael</i>	<i>Brummet</i>
<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Richmond</i>	<i>Messmer</i>	

## NAYS — 20

<i>G. Janssen</i>	<i>Sihota</i>	<i>Cashore</i>	<i>Boone</i>
<i>Jones</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Edwards</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>
<i>Perry</i>	<i>Lovick</i>	<i>Blencoe</i>	<i>Harcourt</i>
<i>Cull</i>	<i>Guno</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Rose</i>
<i>Miller</i>	<i>Pullinger</i>	<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>G. Hanson</i>

In consideration of section 3 of Bill (No. 79), the Committee divided as follows:

## YEAS — 36

<i>Long</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Richmond</i>	<i>Messmer</i>
<i>Mercier</i>	<i>Loenen</i>	<i>Veitch</i>	<i>L. Hanson</i>
<i>Crandall</i>	<i>Pelton</i>	<i>Dirks</i>	<i>Weisgerber</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Dueck</i>	<i>Chalmers</i>	<i>Jacobsen</i>
<i>Peterson</i>	<i>Rabbitt</i>	<i>Huberts</i>	<i>Reynolds</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>J. Jansen</i>	<i>Vant</i>	<i>Gran</i>
<i>Serwa</i>	<i>Davis</i>	<i>Reid</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Davidson</i>	<i>Couvelier</i>	<i>Ree</i>	<i>Savage</i>
<i>Mowat</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Michael</i>	<i>Brummet</i>

## NAYS — 15

<i>G. Janssen</i>	<i>Sihota</i>	<i>Edwards</i>	<i>Harcourt</i>
<i>Jones</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Blencoe</i>	<i>Rose</i>
<i>Cull</i>	<i>Lovick</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>G. Hanson</i>
<i>Miller</i>	<i>Cashore</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>	

In consideration of sections 4 and 5 of Bill (No. 79), the Committee divided as follows:

## YEAS — 37

<i>Long</i>	<i>Loenen</i>	<i>S. Hagen</i>	<i>Messmer</i>
<i>Mercier</i>	<i>Pelton</i>	<i>Veitch</i>	<i>L. Hanson</i>
<i>Crandall</i>	<i>Dueck</i>	<i>Dirks</i>	<i>Weisgerber</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Rabbitt</i>	<i>Chalmers</i>	<i>Jacobsen</i>
<i>Peterson</i>	<i>J. Janssen</i>	<i>Huberts</i>	<i>Reynolds</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Davis</i>	<i>Vant</i>	<i>Gran</i>
<i>Serwa</i>	<i>Couvelier</i>	<i>Reid</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Davidson</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Ree</i>	<i>Savage</i>
<i>Mowat</i>	<i>Richmond</i>	<i>Michael</i>	<i>Brummet</i>
<i>McCarthy</i>			

## NAYS — 11

<i>G. Janssen</i>	<i>Sihota</i>	<i>Cashore</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>
<i>Jones</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Edwards</i>	<i>Harcourt</i>
<i>Miller</i>	<i>Lovick</i>	<i>Clark</i>	

The Hon. *W. B. Strachan* (Minister of Advanced Education, Training and Technology) tabled the Twelfth Annual Report of the Science Council of British Columbia, 1989–90.

The Hon. *C. H. Richmond*, on behalf of the Hon. *D. Parker* (Minister of Crown Lands), tabled the Annual Report of the Ministry of Crown Lands for the period April 1, 1988 to March 31, 1989.

And then the House adjourned at 1.06 p.m.

**Thursday, July 26, 1990**

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. *Chalmers* presented the Second Report of the Select Standing Committee on Labour, Justice and Intergovernmental Relations.

*Resolved*, That the Report be taken as read and received.

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

On the motion of Ms. *Cull*, Bill (No. M 245) intituled *Georgia Basin Commission 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. Jones, Bill (No. M 246) intituled *An Act Establishing Multicultural Heritage Language Education* 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. R. G. Fraser (Attorney General and Solicitor General) presented to Mr. 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 *Builders Lien Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*July 26, 1990.*

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Bill introduced and read a first time.  
Second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. E. N. Veitch (Minister of International Business and Immigration) tabled the following:

The Annual Report of the Ministry of Regional and Economic Development, 1989–1990.

The Annual Report of the Ministry of Regional Development and Minister of State for Mainland/Southwest, 1988–1989.

The Hon. J. Jansen (Minister of Health) tabled the following:

Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1989 of the Medical Services Commission.

The Annual Report of the Ministry of Health, 88/89.

The Annual Report of the British Columbia Health Care Research Foundation, 1989–90.

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

Mr. Hanson asked leave, pursuant to Standing Order 35, to move adjournment of the House to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, the current crisis with respect to the aboriginal peoples of British Columbia over their longstanding grievances.

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

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Bill (No. 79) intituled *Public Sector Collective Bargaining Disclosure Act* was again committed, reported complete with amendment.

An amendment to section 8 of Bill (No. 79) passed, on division.

Sections 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 of Bill (No. 79) passed, on division.

In consideration of the title of Bill (No. 79), the Committee divided as follows:

## YEAS — 36

<i>Long</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>S. Hagen</i>	<i>Messmer</i>
<i>Mercier</i>	<i>Loenen</i>	<i>Veitch</i>	<i>L. Hanson</i>
<i>Crandall</i>	<i>Dueck</i>	<i>Dirks</i>	<i>Weisgerber</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Rabbitt</i>	<i>Chalmers</i>	<i>Jacobsen</i>
<i>Peterson</i>	<i>J. Jansen</i>	<i>De Jong</i>	<i>Reynolds</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Davis</i>	<i>Vant</i>	<i>Gran</i>
<i>Serwa</i>	<i>Couvelier</i>	<i>Reid</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Davidson</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Ree</i>	<i>Savage</i>
<i>Mowat</i>	<i>Richmond</i>	<i>Michael</i>	<i>Brummet</i>

## NAYS — 20

<i>G. Janssen</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Cashore</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>
<i>Zirnhelt</i>	<i>Lovick</i>	<i>Edwards</i>	<i>Harcourt</i>
<i>Cull</i>	<i>Smallwood</i>	<i>Blencoe</i>	<i>Rose</i>
<i>Miller</i>	<i>Guno</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Marzari</i>
<i>Sihota</i>	<i>Pullinger</i>	<i>Boone</i>	<i>G. Hanson</i>

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 79), the Committee divided as follows:

## YEAS — 36

<i>Long</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>S. Hagen</i>	<i>Messmer</i>
<i>Mercier</i>	<i>Loenen</i>	<i>Veitch</i>	<i>L. Hanson</i>
<i>Crandall</i>	<i>Dueck</i>	<i>Dirks</i>	<i>Weisgerber</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Rabbitt</i>	<i>Chalmers</i>	<i>Jacobsen</i>
<i>Peterson</i>	<i>J. Jansen</i>	<i>De Jong</i>	<i>Reynolds</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Davis</i>	<i>Vant</i>	<i>Gran</i>
<i>Serwa</i>	<i>Couvelier</i>	<i>Reid</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Davidson</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Ree</i>	<i>Savage</i>
<i>Mowat</i>	<i>Richmond</i>	<i>Michael</i>	<i>Brummet</i>

## NAYS — 21

<i>G. Janssen</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Cashore</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>
<i>Zirnhelt</i>	<i>Lovick</i>	<i>Edwards</i>	<i>Harcourt</i>
<i>Perry</i>	<i>Smallwood</i>	<i>Blencoe</i>	<i>Rose</i>
<i>Cull</i>	<i>Guno</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Marzari</i>
<i>Miller</i>	<i>Pullinger</i>	<i>Boone</i>	<i>G. Hanson</i>
<i>Sihota</i>			

By leave, Bill (No. 79) read a third time and passed.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

## (IN THE COMMITTEE)

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$352,605 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Health, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1991.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,367,859,624 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Health, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1991.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,434,501,771 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Health, Medical Services Commission and Pharmacare, to 31st March 1991.

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

Bill (No. 54) intituled *Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act, 1990* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 76) intituled *Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 1990* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 46) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 1990* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 67) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2) 1990* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 73) intituled *Adoption Amendment Act, 1990* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Mr. Speaker delivered his reserved opinion as follows:

*Honourable Members:*

Earlier today the Honourable First Member for Victoria sought to invoke the provisions of Standing Order 35 and provided the Chair with a written statement of the matter, namely, "the current crisis with respect to the aboriginal peoples of British Columbia over their longstanding grievances."

The Government House Leader made representations to the Chair that Standing Order 35 could not be invoked as the "current crisis" had, in fact, been ongoing for some days and therefore the application by the Honourable First Member for Victoria ought to have been made previously; in addition, the interim report of the Premier's Council on Native Affairs was yesterday tabled in the House. The Chair does not consider the tabling of that report to be in any way relevant.

However, it is stated in the 16th edition of May's Parliamentary Practice, page 370, and I quote:

"If the matter is not raised at the earliest opportunity, it fails in urgency . . ."

The *Journals* of this House disclose that on numerous occasions earlier Speakers of this Assembly have consistently held that delay in raising a matter under Standing Order 35 is fatal to the application. The Chair, while recognizing that the matter raised is of very great consequence, is nevertheless bound to apply the rules the House has seen fit to adopt. The application must fail as the requirements of Standing Order 35 have not been fulfilled.

C. STEPHEN ROGERS, *Speaker*

Bill (No. 36) intituled *Energy Efficiency Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

The Hon. R. M. Johnston (Minister of Transportation and Highways) tabled the Annual Report of the Ministry of Transportation and Highways, 1988-89.

Bill (No. 64) intituled *Indian Self Government Enabling Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 72) intituled *Forest Amendment Act (No. 3), 1990* was read a second time, and by leave, *Ordered* to be committed forthwith.

Bill (No. 72) was committed, reported complete without amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 75) intituled *Okanagan Valley Tree Fruit Authority Act* was read a second time, and by leave, *Ordered* to be committed forthwith.

Bill (No. 75) was committed, reported complete without amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Bill No. 66) intituled *Members' Conflict of Interest Act* was 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. 68) intituled *Waste Management Amendment Act, 1990* was read a second time, and by leave, *Ordered* to be committed forthwith.

Bill (No. 68) was committed, reported complete without amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$301,610 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Parks, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1991.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$36,820,390 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Parks, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1991.

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$19,291,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, Legislation, to 31st March 1991.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,126,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Auditor General, Auditor General, to 31st March 1991.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,113,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ombudsman, Ombudsman, to 31st March 1991.

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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.

The Hon. *C. H. Richmond*, on behalf of the Hon. *M. B. Couvelier* moved—

That the reports of Resolutions from the Committee of Supply on the 15th and 22nd of May, the 4th, 11th and 20th of June, the 3rd, 5th, 10th, 13th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th and 27th of July, be now received, taken as read and agreed to.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *C. H. Richmond*, on behalf of the Hon. *M. B. Couvelier*, moved —

That towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty for the public service of the Province, there be granted from and out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund:

1. The sum of \$14 billion, 801 million, 215 thousand, 205 towards defraying the charges and expenses of the public service of the Province for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1991, the sum to include that authorized to be paid under section 1 of the *Supply Act (No. 1), 1990*.

Motion agreed to.

And then the House adjourned at 12.20 a.m.

## Friday, July 27, 1990

NINE-THIRTY O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by the Hon. *C. Gran*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 66) intituled *Members' Conflict of Interest Act* was committed, reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed, on division.

In consideration of section 5 of Bill (No. 66), the Committee divided *nemine contradicente* as follows:

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<i>Long</i>	<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Mowat</i>	<i>Vant</i>
<i>Mercier</i>	<i>Serwa</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Reid</i>
<i>Crandall</i>	<i>Cashore</i>	<i>Loenen</i>	<i>Ree</i>
<i>G. Janssen</i>	<i>Edwards</i>	<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Messmer</i>
<i>Zirnhelt</i>	<i>Blencoe</i>	<i>Dueck</i>	<i>Jacobsen</i>
<i>Perry</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Reynolds</i>
<i>Cull</i>	<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>Richmond</i>	<i>Gran</i>
<i>Sihota</i>	<i>Boone</i>	<i>Dirks</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Williams</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>	<i>Chalmers</i>	<i>Savage</i>
<i>Lovick</i>	<i>Harcourt</i>	<i>De Jong</i>	<i>Brunmet</i>
<i>Smallwood</i>	<i>Marzari</i>	<i>Huberts</i>	

The Hon. *C. H. Richmond*, on behalf of the Hon. *M. B. Couvelier* (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations), presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

JOHN D. TAGGART  
*Administrator*

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 80) intituled *Supply Act, 1990-91* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*July 25, 1990.*

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Pursuant to Standing Order 81, Bill (No. 80) to proceed through all stages this day.

Bill (No. 80) read a second time.

On the motion of the Hon. C. H. Richmond, Bill (No. 80) was referred to a Committee of the Whole House to be considered forthwith.

Bill (No. 80) was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Mr. 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. 3) *Electoral Districts Act.*
- Bill (No. 9) *Game Farm Act.*
- Bill (No. 17) *Transportation Capital Funding Act.*
- Bill (No. 18) *Science and Technology Fund Act.*
- Bill (No. 24) *Private Post-Secondary Education Act.*
- Bill (No. 27) *Engineers Amendment Act, 1990.*
- Bill (No. 28) *Carmanah Pacific Park Act.*
- Bill (No. 31) *Health Professions Act.*
- Bill (No. 33) *Mineral Tax Amendment Act, 1990.*
- Bill (No. 34) *Municipalities Enabling and Validating Act, 1990.*
- Bill (No. 35) *Forest Amendment Act, 1990.*
- Bill (No. 36) *Energy Efficiency Act.*
- Bill (No. 41) *Education Statutes Amendment Act, 1990.*
- Bill (No. 42) *Accountants (Certified General) Amendment Act, 1990.*
- Bill (No. 43) *Community Care Facility Amendment Act, 1990.*
- Bill (No. 45) *Family and Child Service Amendment Act, 1990.*
- Bill (No. 46) *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 1990.*
- Bill (No. 47) *Guide Animal Act.*
- Bill (No. 48) *Forest Amendment Act (No. 2), 1990.*
- Bill (No. 49) *Assessment and Property Tax Reform Act, 1990.*
- Bill (No. 50) *Municipal Amendment Act, 1990.*
- Bill (No. 51) *Labour and Consumer Services Statutes Amendment Act, 1990.*
- Bill (No. 54) *Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act, 1990.*
- Bill (No. 55) *Referendum Act.*
- Bill (No. 57) *Food Products Standards Act.*
- Bill (No. 58) *British Columbia Wine Act.*
- Bill (No. 59) *Mine Development Assessment Act.*
- Bill (No. 60) *Financial Administration Amendment Act, 1990.*
- Bill (No. 61) *Health Statutes Amendment Act, 1990.*
- Bill (No. 62) *Solicitor General Statutes Amendment Act, 1990.*

Bill (No. 63) *Natural Gas Price Amendment Act, 1990.*

Bill (No. 64) *Indian Self Government Enabling Act.*

Bill (No. 65) *Senatorial Selection Act.*

Bill (No. 66) *Members' Conflict of Interest Act.*

Bill (No. 67) *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 1990.*

Bill (No. 68) *Waste Management Amendment Act, 1990.*

Bill (No. 70) *Property Purchase Tax Amendment Act (No. 2), 1990.*

Bill (No. 71) *Municipal Affairs, Recreation and Culture Statutes Amendment Act, 1990.*

Bill (No. 72) *Forest Amendment Act (No. 3), 1990.*

Bill (No. 73) *Adoption Amendment Act, 1990.*

Bill (No. 74) *Range Amendment Act, 1990.*

Bill (No. 75) *Okanagan Valley Tree Fruit Authority Act.*

Bill (No. 76) *Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 1990.*

Bill (No. 78) *Assessment and Property Tax Reform Act (No. 2), 1990.*

Bill (No. 79) *Public Sector Collective Bargaining Disclosure Act.*

Bill (No. Pr 401) *Vancouver Stock Exchange Amendment Act, 1990.*

Bill (No. Pr 402) *Vancouver Charter Amendment Act (No. 1), 1990.*

Bill (No. Pr 403) *Seventh-day Adventist Church (British Columbia Conference) Act.*

Bill (No. Pr 404) *Vancouver Charter Amendment Act (No. 2), 1990.*

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 Administrator doth assent to these Bills."

*Ian D. Izard*, Esq., Law Clerk and Clerk Assistant, read the title to the following Bill:

Bill (No. 80) *Supply Act, 1990-91.*

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

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 Administrator doth thank Her Majesty's loyal subjects, accepts their benevolence, and doth assent to this Bill."

His Honour the Administrator was then pleased to retire.

The Hon. *H. Dirks* moved—

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 Fourth Session of the Thirty-fourth 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, 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 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.

And then the House adjourned at 12.09 p.m.

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**Monday, March 11, 1991**

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TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker made a statement relating to technical changes in the Chamber and the inception of television coverage of proceedings.

The Hon. *E. N. Veitch* (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) presented to Mr. 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. 82) intituled *Compensation Fairness Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*March 11, 1991.*

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Bill introduced and read a first time.  
Second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. *S. D. Smith* (Minister of Regional and Economic Development) presented to Mr. 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. 83) intituled *Job Protection Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*March 11, 1991.*

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Bill introduced and read a first time.  
Second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *H. Dirks* (Provincial Secretary) made a ministerial statement in observance of Commonwealth Day, March 11, 1991.

Mr. *D'Arcy* made a statement.

The Hon. *C. Gran* (Minister of Government Management Services and Minister Responsible for Women's Programs) made a ministerial statement relating to International Women's Day.

Ms. *Marzari* made a statement.

By leave, the Hon. *C. H. Richmond* (Minister of Forests) moved—

Be it resolved that this Legislative Assembly expresses its sincere appreciation to the women and men of the Canadian Armed Forces who served with such honour and distinction during the successful multinational effort to enforce United Nations Security Council Resolution 660 and others with respect to Iraqi aggression against Kuwait, and whose efforts in this regard made a significant contribution to upholding the vital principles that such aggression must not go unchallenged, and that the moral authority of the international community as expressed through the United Nations offers the most appropriate vehicle and the best hope for maintaining peace and security in the world.

The House divided.

The motion was agreed to *nemine contradicente* on the following division:

YEAS—62

<i>Long</i>	<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Brummet</i>	<i>Huberts</i>
<i>Mercier</i>	<i>Loenen</i>	<i>Dueck</i>	<i>Vant</i>
<i>Crandall</i>	<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Couvelier</i>	<i>Reid</i>
<i>Davidson</i>	<i>Pullinger</i>	<i>Pelton</i>	<i>Ree</i>
<i>G. Janssen</i>	<i>Cashore</i>	<i>Davis</i>	<i>Michael</i>
<i>Zirnhelt</i>	<i>Edwards</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Messmer</i>
<i>Jones</i>	<i>Blencoe</i>	<i>Veitch</i>	<i>L. Hanson</i>
<i>Perry</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Savage</i>
<i>Cull</i>	<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>	<i>Parker</i>
<i>Miller</i>	<i>Boone</i>	<i>Richmond</i>	<i>Jacobsen</i>
<i>A. Hagen</i>	<i>Harcourt</i>	<i>S. Hagen</i>	<i>Serwa</i>
<i>Sihota</i>	<i>Rose</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Rabbitt</i>
<i>Lovick</i>	<i>Marzari</i>	<i>Dirks</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Guno</i>	<i>Barnes</i>	<i>Chalmers</i>	<i>Gran</i>
<i>Barlee</i>	<i>G. Hanson</i>	<i>Reynolds</i>	<i>Weisgerber</i>
<i>Peterson</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>		

The Hon. *J. Weisgerber* (Minister of Native Affairs) made a ministerial statement relating to the Judgement of the Honourable Chief Justice of the Province of British Columbia relating to Native land claims.

Mr. *Harcourt* made a statement.

The Hon. *R. G. Fraser* (Attorney General) made a ministerial statement relating to the same matter.

Mr. *Harcourt* made a statement.

Ms. *Hagen* rose on an alleged matter of privilege relating to the conduct of the Premier and presented documents to the Chair.

The Hon. *W. N. Vander Zalm* (Premier) made a statement.

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

Mr. *Reynolds* gave notice of his intention to raise a matter of privilege relating to the conduct of the Honourable Member for Esquimalt-Port Renfrew.

Mr. *Sihota* made a statement.

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

On the motion of the Hon. *C. H. Richmond*, the House adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. tomorrow.

And then the House adjourned at 4.14 p.m.

**Tuesday, March 12, 1991**

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Huberts*.

The Hon. *C. S. Rogers* (Speaker) tabled the Financial Statement of the Office of the Auditor General of British Columbia, March 31, 1990.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 83) intituled *Job Protection Act*, a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Brummet*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 11.58 a.m.

**Tuesday, March 12, 1991**

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *W. N. Vander Zalm* (Premier) presented to Mr. 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. 81) intituled *Constitutional Amendment Approval Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*March 11, 1991.*

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Bill introduced and read a first time.  
Second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. *C. H. Richmond* (Minister of Forests) tabled the Annual Report of the Ministry of Forests, 1988-89.

The Hon. *I. Messmer* (Solicitor General) tabled the Annual Report of the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia for the 12 months ended December 31, 1990.

The Hon. *C. Gran* (Minister of Government Management Services and Minister Responsible for Women's Programs) tabled the following:

Thirty-fifth Annual Report of the Business Done in Pursuance of the *Legislative Assembly Allowances and Pension Act, Part 2*, year ended March 31, 1990.

Fourteenth Annual Report of the Business Done in Pursuance of the *Public Service Benefit Plan Act*, year ended March 31, 1990.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *S. D. Smith* made a ministerial statement relating to Versatile Pacific Shipyards.

Mr. *Sihota* made a statement.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 83) intituled *Job Protection Act*.

The debate continued.

On the motion of the Hon. *S. D. Smith* (Minister of Regional and Economic Development) the debate was adjourned to the next sitting.

By leave, the Hon. *C. H. Richmond*, seconded by Mr. *Rose*, moved—

That *Angus Creelman Ree, Q.C.*, Esquire, Member for North Vancouver-Capilano, be appointed Deputy Chairman of the Committee of the Whole for the remainder of this Session of the Legislative Assembly.

The Hon. *C. H. Richmond* advised that the House will sit Wednesday next, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

And then the House adjourned at 5.50 p.m.