Friday, April 3, 1987

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. R. Fraser presented the second report of the Special Committee of Selection, which read as follows:

REPORT

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, April 3, 1987

Mr. Speaker:

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Your Special Committee of Selection appointed on March 9, 1987, to prepare and report lists of members to compose the Select Standing Committees of this House for the present Session begs to report that the following is the list of members to compose the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts for the present Session.

Public Accounts—Ms. Marzari (Convener) and Mr. Hewitt, the Hon. S. Hagen, the Hon. R. Johnston, the Hon. C. Richmond, the Hon. E. Veitch, Messrs. Chalmers, Long and Peterson and Mrs. Hagen and Messrs. G. Hanson and Lovick.

Membership on the following Select Standing Committees reflects changes agreed to by your Committee.

LABOUR, JUSTICE AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS—Ms. Campbell (Convener) and Mr. Chalmers, the Hon. L. Hanson, the Hon. S. Rogers, Messrs. Jansen and Weisgerber and Messrs. Gabelmann, Sihota and Skelly.

TOURISM AND ENVIRONMENT—Messrs. Messmer (Convener) and Serwa, the Hon. W. Reid, the Hon. B. Strachan and Messrs. Bruce and Pelton, Mmes. Smallwood and Edwards and Mr. Barnes.

FORESTS AND LANDS—Messrs. Bruce (Convener) and Vant, the Hon. J. Davis, the Hon. D. Parker, Messrs. Jacobsen and Long and Mrs. Boone and Messrs. Gabelmann and Williams.

ENERGY, MINES AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES—Messrs. Peterson (Convener) and Ree, the Hon. A. Brummet, the Hon. J. Davis, Messrs. S. Smith and Vant and Messrs. Clark, D'Arcy and Guno.

Respectfully submitted.

R. G. FRASER, Chairman

The report was taken as read and received.

By leave of the House, Mr. Fraser moved that the report be adopted.

Motion agreed to.

By leave of the House, Mr. Fraser moved that the report be printed as an appendix to Hansard.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. W. B. Strachan (Minister of Environment and Parks) tabled the Eighteenth Annual Report of the Activities of the Fraser River Joint Advisory Board for the period April 1, 1985 to March 31, 1986.

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

On the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice."

Bill (No. 3) intituled Boundary Act read a second time.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 4) intituled Sechelt Indian Government District Enabling Act, a debate arose.

The House divided.

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

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Long	Cashore	G. Hanson	Mercier
Huberts	Ree	Gran	Dirks
Messmer	Bruce	Hewitt	Rabbitt
Jacobsen	Serwa	Weisgerber	De Jong
Clark	Vant	R. Fraser	Crandall
Jones	Campbell	Johnston	Loenen
A. Hagen	Blencoe	Davis	Pelton
Miller	Gabelmann	Vander Zalm	Michael
Sihota	Boone	Strachan	Reid
Smallwood	Stupich	McCarthy	Brummet
Guno	Skelly		

Bill (No. 4) read a second time.

By leave, on the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, Bill (No. 4) was referred to a Committee of the Whole House to be considered forthwith.

Bill (No. 4) was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

By leave, Bill (No. 3) intituled *Boundary Act* was *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

And then the House adjourned at 12.30 p.m.

Monday, April 6, 1987

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

By leave, Ms. Smallwood tabled a document referred to during Oral Question Period.

The Hon. R. M. Johnston (Minister of Municipal Affairs) tabled the Annual Report of BC Transit, 1985/86.

The Hon. B. R. D. Smith (Attorney General) tabled the following: Annual Report of the B.C. Police Commission, 1985/86.

1986 Annual Return, Invasion of Privacy, Part IV.1 of the Criminal Code.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

- 56. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$216,355 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Social Services and Housing, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1988, on division.
- 57. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,385,939,454 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Social Services and Housing, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 1988.
- 58. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Social Services and Housing, British Columbia Home Program, to 31st March, 1988.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.50 p.m.

Tuesday, April 7, 1987

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

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Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

The Hon. W. B. Strachan advised the House of the business of the House for the remainder of the week.

On the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice."

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 19) intituled *Industrial Relations Reform Act*, 1987, a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Gabelmann, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

Tuesday, April 7, 1987

Two o'clock P.M.

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Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. M. B. Couvelier (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) tabled the Annual Report of the Auditor General of British Columbia, March 1987.

On the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 19) intituled *Industrial Relations Reform Act*, 1987.

The debate continued.

Mr. Rose moved the following amendment—

That the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 19) intituled *Industrial Relations Reform Act*, 1987 be amended by deleting the word "now" and adding the words "on this day six months hence".

The debate on the amendment continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.55 p.m.

Wednesday, April 8, 1987

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

ROBERT G. ROGERS

Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 21) intituled *Insurance* (Captive Company) Act and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

April 6, 1987.

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

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. J. Savage (Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries) tabled the Annual Report of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries for the year 1985.

The Hon. B. R. D. Smith (Attorney General) tabled the Ministry of Attorney General Corrections Branch Annual Report for the period April 1, 1985 to March 31, 1986.

On the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 19) intituled *Industrial Relations Reform Act*, 1987.

The debate on the amendment continued.

Mr. Skelly rose on a matter of privilege relating to an incident which occurred on the lawns of the Parliament Buildings this afternoon.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 19).

The debate on the amendment continued.

On the motion of the Hon. D. Parker, the debate on the amendment was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5.53 p.m.

Thursday, April 9, 1987

The Hon. W. N. Vander Zalm (Premier) made a statement relating to the creation of a Board of Internal Economy.

Mr. Skelly made a statement.

On the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 19) intituled *Industrial Relations Reform Act*, 1987.

The debate on the amendment continued.

Mr. Skelly rose on a matter of privilege relating to an incident which occurred on the lawns of the Parliament Buildings this morning.

The Deputy Speaker stated that the matter would be taken under advisement.

The House resumed the debate on the amendment to the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 19).

The debate on the amendment continued.

On the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, the debate on the amendment was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 11.58 a.m.

Thursday, April 9, 1987

Two o'clock P.M.

The Hon. E. N. Veitch (Provincial Secretary and Minister of Government Services) made a statement relating to the removal of tents which had been placed on the lawn in front of the Parliament Buildings.

Mr. Skelly made a statement.

Mr. Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows:

Honourable Members:

Yesterday afternoon, the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition rose under the provisions of Standing Order 26 relating to a matter of privilege and described recent events which had taken place on the lawn in front of the Legislative Building.

Firstly, I wish to thank the Honourable Member for his courtesy in advising the Chair of this matter, prior to his raising it in the House.

Honourable Members will appreciate that privilege belongs to Members of the Legislature, *individually* and *collectively*.

The individual privileges are:

- (a) freedom of speech in debate; and
- (b) freedom from arrest.

The collective privileges are:

- (a) access to the Crown;
- (b) the right to provide for its due composition;
- (c) the right to regulate its own proceedings;
- (d) the power to punish for contempt;
- (e) the power to summon witnesses; and
- (f) those privileges enumerated in the Legislative Assembly Privilege Act.

The distinctive mark of a privilege is its ancillary character. The privileges of Parliament are rights which are (and I stress) "absolutely necessary for the due execution of its power." They are enjoyed by individual Members because the House cannot perform its functions without unimpeded use of the services of its Members; and by each House for the protection of its Members and the vindication of its own authority and dignity.

The question the Chair must address is whether or not the privileges enumerated above have been breached by the actions described by the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition yesterday.

The Chair must also observe that the Speaker's jurisdiction in British Columbia has never been clearly defined and the problems relating thereto were placed before this House in a report filed under the *Legislative Procedure Review Act* in 1984. In that report, at page 41, it was recommended that the legislative precinct be defined as the land and buildings bounded by Belleville, Government, Superior and Menzies Streets, and further recommended that that definition be included in an Act establishing an Internal Economy Board.

The Chair feels the matter raised yesterday by the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition could have been examined by such a board and the experience in other jurisdictions of the Commonwealth lends support to that conclusion.

The right to demonstrate and protest are integral parts of a parliamentary democracy. The question the Chair, and indeed this Assembly, must address is whether or not they wish to circumscribe limits to these rights, particularly when the actions in question directly impact upon the precinct of this Legislative Assembly. The Speaker is, and will remain, the servant of this Assembly, but is placed in an invidious position when the extent of his jurisdiction remains uncertain. It is hoped that the Premier's statement relating to the formation of a Board of Internal Economy will hasten the resolution of many of these uncertainties.

The matter raised by the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition has brought into sharp focus these jurisdictional problems but the matter described does not, under the authorities, qualify as a *prima facie* breach of privilege.

For the further assistance of all Members, I refer them to a comprehensive treatment of this matter contained in *Parliamentary Privilege in Canada* by Joseph Maingot, and Sir Erskine May's *Parliamentary Practice*, 19th edition, at page 92, and Beauchesne's *Parliamentary Rules and Forms*, 5th edition, at page 11.

The Chair must make a further comment in relation to a fresh incident reported by the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition during this morning's sitting which, as the Chair understands it, amounted to a repeat of yesterday's incident on the lawn of the Legislative Assembly. As a result of this last-mentioned incident, the Speaker has issued instructions to the Sergeant-at-Arms that neither he, nor any of his staff, are to become involved in the forcible removal of persons or articles from the grounds of the Legislative Building. These instructions will remain in place until the Chair has been given different instructions by this House, or by a duly constituted Board of Internal Economy. Let me emphasize, this in no way derogates from the Chair's acknowledged responsibility for security matters within the walls of the Legislative Building, which will continue in accordance with the Standing Orders of this House and well-established custom and usage.

J. REYNOLDS, Speaker

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Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. W. N. Vander Zalm made a statement relating to the Leader of the Opposition.

Mr. Skelly made a statement.

On the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 19) intituled *Industrial Relations Reform Act*, 1987.

The debate on the amendment continued.

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

Mr. Ree made a statement relating to the anniversary of the Canadian Army participation at Vimy Ridge and requested that the members observe the occasion by standing in silence.

And then the House adjourned at 5.53 p.m.

Monday, April 13, 1987

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

ROBERT G. ROGERS Lieutenant Governor

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The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 14) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes* (Finance Measures) Amendment Act, 1987 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, March 19, 1987.

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

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

On the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 19) intituled *Industrial Relations Reform Act*, 1987.

The debate on the amendment continued.

On the motion of the Hon. C. H. Richmond, the debate on the amendment was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Mr. Speaker made the following statement:

Honourable Members:

On Thursday, April 9th, the Honourable Member for Burnaby North rose in his place and advised the House of his wish to present a petition. The Honourable Member then proceeded to read a statement describing the petition, after which he filed a statement and a series of signed mimeographed letters which presumably were intended to form part of the petition.

An examination of the Member's statement and the material filed therewith has led the Chair to conclude that the Member's material does not comply with Standing Order 73 of our Standing Orders. Standing Order 73 (2) states as follows:

"The petition must contain a clear, concise, accurate and temperate statement of the facts for which the intervention of the House is requested and the signature of all the petitioners."

In addition, it is impossible to determine from examining the material filed whether the signatures were intended to be part of a petition addressed to the House or an expression of opinion in relation to certain legislation presently before the House.

The introductory statement contains argumentative material and language which could be considered disrespectful to other Honourable Members of this House.

Accordingly, no entry will be made in the *Votes and Proceedings* in relation to the material filed and the Honourable Member may wish to consider subsection (5) of Standing Order 73, which states:

"Members presenting petitions shall be answerable that they do not contain impertinent or improper matter."

I might also add that all Honourable Members will be aware that the Clerks of the House are available for consultation on the forms Members propose to present and I'm sure would be pleased to assist if Members have any uncertainties in relation to procedural matters.

J. REYNOLDS, Speaker

- **9** Mr. *Stupich* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations the following questions:
- 1. How much income tax revenue was received from each of the medical tax and the surtax in 1985 and what is the estimate for 1986?
- 2. How many individuals reported taxable income in 1986 in excess of \$60,000, \$80,000, \$100,000, \$120,000, \$160,000 and \$200,000?

The Hon. M. B. Couvelier replied as follows:

		1985	1986
			(estimated)
1.	Revenue from:	\$	\$
	Health care maintenance surtax	146,000,000	157,700,000
	High income surtax	27,400,000	29,400,000

2. Individuals reporting 1986 taxable income over (estimated from 1984 tax data):

\$		Numbers
60,000		23,600
80,000		12,500
100,000		7,700
120,000	<u> </u>	5,600
160,000		1,700
200,000		1,000

10 Mr. *Stupich* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations the following questions:

With regard to the surtax on provincial income tax—

- 1. How many individuals paid this surtax in the periods for which this information is available?
 - 2. What was the total amount collected for these same periods?

The Hon. M. B. Couvelier replied as follows:

1. Individuals paying (high income) surtax	1986 101,500	1987 102,500
2. Total amount collected	1986 \$29,400,000	1987 \$30,600,000

And then the House adjourned at 5.55 p.m.

Tuesday, April 14, 1987

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

On the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 19) intituled *Industrial Relations Reform Act*, 1987.

The debate on the amendment continued.

On the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, on behalf of the Hon. L. Hanson, the debate on the amendment was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

Tuesday, April 14, 1987

Two o'clock P.M.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

On the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 19) intituled *Industrial Relations Reform Act*, 1987.

The debate on the amendment continued.

The House divided.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:

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Williams Blencoe Clark Harcourt Lovick Gabelmann Jones Rose Smallwood Boone A. Hagen Marzari Miller Guno Skelly G. Hanson Sihota Cashore Stupich

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A. Fraser Strachan Loenen Long McCarthy . Pelton Huberts Gran Messmer Weisgerber Veitch Parker Michael Jacobsen R. Fraser Peterson S. Smith Johnston Mercier Richmond Dueck Davis Dirks Ree Couvelier L. Hanson Rruce Rabbitt Serwa B. R. D. Smith De Jone Savage Vant Vander Zalm Crandall Brummet

Campbell

The debate resumed on the main motion.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.57 p.m. until 2 p.m. tomorrow.

Wednesday, April 15, 1987

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Ms. Edwards presented a petition relating to the disposition of Bills 19 and 20, namely, Industrial Relations Reform Act, 1987 and Teaching Profession Act.

By leave, on the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, it was Ordered that leave be given for the Select Standing Committee on Health, Education and Social Services to meet while the House is in session this afternoon.

On the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 19) intituled *Industrial Relations Reform Act*, 1987.

The debate continued.

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

4 Mr. Stupich asked the Hon. the Minister of Transportation and Highways the following question:

With respect to the Gabriola Island Ferry: For each of the years 1984, 1985, 1986 and to date in 1987, how many vehicles and how many passengers were carried?

The Hon. C. C. Michael replied as follows:

Ferry statistics on passengers and vehicles are retained on a fiscal year basis, not calendar year.

	Passengers	Vehicles
1983/84	693,855	292,388
1984/85	731,751	305,242
1985/86	670,075	279,084
1986/87 to January 31	590,195	251,799

And then the House adjourned at 5.35 p.m.

Thursday, April 16, 1987

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. W. E. Reid (Minister of Tourism, Recreation and Culture) tabled the 1985/86 Annual Report of the British Columbia Heritage Trust.

On the motion of the Hon. C. S. Rogers, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 19) intituled *Industrial Relations Reform Act*, 1987.

The debate continued.

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

1 The Hon. C. S. Rogers, on behalf of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, moved—

That a Special Committee of the Legislature be appointed to recommend a person to be appointed as Auditor General, as provided under section 2 of the Auditor General Act, and, if required, an Acting Auditor General under section 3 of the Auditor General Act, and that the committee be composed of Mr. Hewitt (Convenor), the Hon. Stephen Rogers, Messrs. Mercier, Rabbitt, Crandall and Chalmers, and Messrs. Stupich, Blencoe and Clark, and further that the Special Committee so appointed have the following powers:

(a) to appoint of their number one or more subcommittees and to refer to such subcommittees any of the matters referred to the committee;

- (b) to sit (i) during any period in which the House is adjourned and during any sitting of the House, and
 - (ii) to adjourn from place to place as may be convenient; and shall report to the House on the matter referred to it during this session, or following any adjournment of the House, or at the next following session, as the case may be.

Motion agreed to.

And then the House adjourned at 12.35 p.m.

Tuesday, April 21, 1987

Two o'clock P.M.

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Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

By leave, on the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, it was Ordered that leave be given for the Select Standing Committees on Standing Orders, Private Bills and Members' Services, and on Forests and Lands to meet while the House is in session today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

On the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 19) intituled *Industrial Relations Reform Act*, 1987.

The debate continued.

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

The Hon. W. B. Strachan advised the House of Wednesday sitting.

3 Mr. *Stupich* asked the Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations the following questions:

In 1986, with reference to Schedule 1 of the *Home Owner Grant Act*, SBC 1980, c. 18: How many homeowners paid the minimum of \$200? With reference to Schedule 2 thereof: How many homeowners paid the minimum of \$1?

The Hon. M. B. Couvelier replied as follows:

"In 1986, with reference to Schedule 1 of the *Home Owner Grant Act*, SBC 1980, c. 18, it is estimated that 62,000 homeowners paid the minimum of \$200. With reference to Schedule 2 thereof: It is estimated that 28,500 homeowners paid the minimum of \$1."

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6 Mr. Stupich asked the Hon. the Minister of Transportation and Highways the following question:

With respect to the ferries listed below:

Albion-Fort Langley Ferry;

François Lake Ferry;

Kootenay Lake Ferry;

Needles-Fauguier Ferry:

Upper Arrow Lakes Ferry;

for each of the years 1984, 1985, 1986 and to date in 1987, how many vehicles and how many passengers were carried?

The Hon. C. C. Michael replied as follows:

"Ferry statistics on passengers and vehicles are retained on a fiscal year basis, not calendar vear

"Route Name	1983/84	1984/85	1985/86	1986/87 up to Feb. 27, 1987
Albion-Fort Langley				
Passengers	1,988,157	1,902,452	1,952,751	1,932,956
Vehicles	1,061,809	1,023,936	1,069,937	1,047,379
François Lake				
Passengers	296,548	307,233	325,117	319,676
Vehicles	135,633	146,153	159,900	155,294
Kootenay Lake				
Passengers	350,207	361,363	345,806	325,406
Vehicles	157,170	164,553	159,767	149,368
Needles-Fauquier				
Passengers	325,546	385,891	409,940	391,490
Vehicles	124,546	139,505	148,781	141,406
Upper Arrow Lake				
Passengers	248,834	248,562	261,913	250,549
Vehicles	120,867	118,037	115,305	114,513

And then the House adjourned at 5.59 p.m.

Wednesday, April 22, 1987

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. E. N. Veitch (Provincial Secretary and Minister of Government Services) tabled Regulations Passed Pursuant to Section 196 of the Election Act.

On the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, the House Proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 19) intituled *Industrial Relations Reform Act*, 1987.

The debate continued.

Mr. Harcourt moved the following reasoned amendment—

That the motion be amended by striking out all the words following "that" and substituting therefor the following: "This House declines to give second reading to Bill 19, the *Industrial Relations Reform Act, 1987*, for the reasons that it is contrary to the interests of democracy and our traditions of free collective bargaining to grant the non-elected Chairman of the Industrial Relations Council such wide powers to intrude into labour management relations and arbitrarily to determine contracts without reference to the parties involved."

Mr. Speaker declared a short recess.

The debate resumed on the amendment.

Mr. Speaker declared a short recess.

The debate on the amendment continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.48 p.m.

Thursday, April 23, 1987

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

By leave, on the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, it was Ordered that leave be given for the Select Standing Committees on Economic Development, Transportation and Municipal Affairs, on Tourism and Environment, and on Finance, Crown Corporations and Government Services to meet while the House is in session today.

On the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 19) intituled *Industrial Relations Reform Act*, 1987.

The debate on the amendment continued.

On the motion of Mrs. Hagen, the debate on the amendment was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 11.55 a.m.

Thursday, April 23, 1987

Two o'clock P.M.

By leave, on the motion of Dr. *Huberts*, Bill (No. Pr 402) intituled *Victoria Foundation Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, Private Bills and Members' Services.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

By leave, the Hon. D. Parker (Minister of Forests and Lands) tabled answers to Oral Questions taken on notice.

On the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 19) intituled *Industrial Relations Reform Act*, 1987.

The debate on the amendment continued.

The House divided.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:

)	ZEAS—18	
Edwards	Williams	Blencoe	Stupich
Clark	Lovick	Gabelmann	Harcourt
Jones	Smallwood	Boone	Rose
A. Hagen	Guno	Skelly	Marzari
Sihota	Cashore		
	1	Nays—33	
Long	Mowat	Peterson	Parker
Huberts	Gran	Mercier	Michael
Messmer	Weisgerber	Dirks	Dueck
Jacobsen	R. Fraser	Rabbitt	Reid
S. Smith	Johnston	De Jong	L. Hanson
Ree	B. R. D. Smith	Crandall	Rogers
Serwa	Strachan	Loenen	Savage
Vant	Veitch	Pelton	Brummet
Campbell			

The debate resumed on the main motion.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

	*	Yeas—36	
Long	Mowat	Strachan	Pelton
Huberts	Chalmers	Veitch	Parker
Messmer	Gran	Peterson	Michael
Jacobsen	Hewitt	Mercier	Dueck
S. Smith	Jansen	Dirks	Reid
Ree	Weisgerber	Rabbitt	L. Hanson
Serwa	Johnston	De Jong	Rogers
Vant	B. R. D. Smith	Crandall	Savage
Campbell	Vander Zalm	Loenen	Brummet
]	Nays—14	
Edwards	Williams	Gabelmann	Stupich
Jones	Lovick	Boone	Rose
A. Hagen	Cashore	Skelly	Marzari
Sihota	Blencoe		

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 20) intituled *Teaching Profession Act*, a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Rose*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

8 Mr. *Stupich* asked the Hon. the Minister of Transportation and Highways the following questions:

With respect to a possible new major ferry terminal on or near Gabriola Island-

- 1. Is this proposal under review by the Minister's Ministry and/or British Columbia Ferry Corporation?
- 2. If the answer to No. 1 is "yes", at what stage is preliminary or basic design for the facility and where is it to be located?
- 3. If the answer to No. 1 is "yes", will the Minister make public such basic design before detailed working plans are authorized?

The Hon. C. C. Michael replied as follows:

"The Ministry is not actively considering any proposal at present for a new ferry terminal. Nor is the British Columbia Ferry Corporation considering or reviewing any such proposals for a major terminal on or near Gabriola Island."

And then the House adjourned at 5.40 p.m.

Friday, April 24, 1987

Mr. Cashore presented a petition relating to the disposition of Bills 19 and 20, namely, Industrial Relations Reform Act, 1987 and Teaching Profession Act.

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

Mr. Rose rose on a point of order, namely, whether or not a Parliamentary Secretary is a "Private Member" within the meaning of Standing Order 25A, providing for statements by "Private Members."

Mr. Speaker ruled that only members of the Cabinet were excluded from the Standing Order in question.

On the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 20) intituled *Teaching Profession Act*.

The debate continued.

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

By leave, the House proceeded to consideration of Motion 52 on the Order Paper:

52 The Hon. W. B. Strachan, on behalf of the Hon. C. S. Rogers, moved—

Be it resolved that this Legislative Assembly recognize the horrors of nuclear war and holocaust, and urge all world governments to increase their efforts to end the nuclear arms race and to reduce and finally eliminate nuclear weaponry.

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

And then the House adjourned at 12.15 p.m.

Monday, April 27, 1987

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. P. A. Dueck (Minister of Health) made a ministerial statement relating to Organ Donor Awareness Week.

The Hon. G. M. McCarthy (Minister of Economic Development) tabled the following:

Science Council of British Columbia Eighth Annual Report, 1985–86. Ministry of Universities, Science and Communications Annual Report, 1984–85. Annual Report 1985, British Columbia Research Council.

The Hon. L. Hanson (Minister of Labour and Consumer Services) tabled the Ministry of Consumer and Corporate Affairs Annual Report, 1985.

On the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 20) intituled *Teaching Profession Act*.

The debate continued.

Mr. Rose moved the following amendment—

That the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 20) intituled *Teaching Profession Act*, be amended by deleting the word "now" and adding the words "on this day six months hence."

The debate on the amendment continued.

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

- **11** Mr. Gabelmann asked the Hon. the Minister of Labour and Consumer Services the following questions:
- 1. For each of the years 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985 and 1986, what was the average real wage increase in British Columbia?
- 2. For the same years, what was the number of worker days lost through labour disputes?
- 3. For the same years, what was the percentage of workers in the Province who were members of unions?
- 4. How do these figures compare with parallel ones for the period 1967 through 1971?

The Hon. L. Hanson replied as follows:

	"Average Earnings % Change (Based on Constant Dollars)*	Worker-days Lost Due to Work Stoppages	% of Workforce Unionized
1967	3.1	327,167	43.8
1968	1.7	406,729	44.0
1969	3.6	519,663	41.5
1970		1,684,463	43.5
1971	7.1	275,580	42.6
1982	-1.0	1,029,022	46.3
1983	1.1	769,269	45.3
1984	-2.5	819,678	N/A
1985	-0.4	164,402	42.6
1986	-2.6	2,965,949	39.8

^{*} Average earnings adjusted for inflation — this figure indicates the change in purchasing power of paid workers.

N/A - Not available.

And then the House adjourned at 5.40 p.m.

Tuesday, April 28, 1987

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

On the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 20) intituled *Teaching Profession Act*.

The debate on the amendment continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.56 a.m.

Tuesday, April 28, 1987

Two o'clock P.M.

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

ROBERT G. ROGERS

Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 37) intituled *Taxation Statutes Amendment Act*, 1987 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, April 27, 1987.

Bill introduced and read a first time. Second reading at the next sitting after today. The Hon. B. R. D. Smith (Attorney General) presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

ROBERT G. ROGERS

Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 22) intituled *Expropriation Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, April 6, 1987.

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

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. P. A. Dueck (Minister of Health) made a ministerial statement relating to Volunteers' Week.

Mrs. Hagen made a statement.

The Hon. L. Hanson (Minister of Labour and Consumer Services) made a ministerial statement relating to April 28th being designated to commemorate those killed or injured in workplace accidents.

Ms. Smallwood made a statement.

On the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 20) intituled *Teaching Profession Act*.

The debate on the amendment continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.55 p.m.

Wednesday, April 29, 1987

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. C. C. Michael (Minister of Transportation and Highways) tabled the British Columbia Railway Group of Companies Annual Report for 1986.

By leave, the Hon. D. Parker (Minister of Forests and Lands) tabled answers to Oral Questions taken on notice.

On the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 20) intituled *Teaching Profession Act*.

The debate on the amendment continued.

On the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, the debate on the amendment was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

By leave, on the motion of Mr. *Jacobsen*, Bill (No. Pr 404) intituled *An Act to Incorporate Mission Foundation* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, Private Bills and Members' Services.

And then the House adjourned at 5.52 p.m.

Thursday, April 30, 1987

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

By leave, on the motion of Dr. Huberts, Bill (No. Pr 406) intituled University of Victoria Foundation Act, 1979 Amendment Act, 1987 was introduced, read a first time, and Ordered referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, Private Bills and Members' Services.

The Hon. W. B. Strachan (Minister of Environment and Parks) tabled the Eighteenth Annual Report of the Activities of the Fraser River Joint Advisory Board for the period April 1, 1985 to March 31, 1986.

On the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 20) intituled *Teaching Profession Act*.

The debate on the amendment continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

Thursday, April 30, 1987

Two o'clock P.M.

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The Hon. M. B. Couvelier (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) made a ministerial statement relating to remarks made on introduction of Bill (No. 37).

Mr. Stupich made a statement.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

On the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 20) intituled *Teaching Profession Act*.

The debate on the amendment continued.

The House divided.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:

		YEAS—17	
Edwards	Sihota	Blencoe	Stupich
Clark	Williams	Gabelmann	Rose
Jones	Smallwood	D'Arcy	Marzari
A. Hagen	Cashore	Boone	G. Hanson
Miller			
		Nays—27	
Long	Campbell	McCarthy	Pelton
Huberts	Gran	Peterson	Michael
Jacobsen	Weisgerber	Mercier	Dueck
S. Smith	R. Fraser	Dirks	L. Hanson
Ree	Johnston	Rabbitt	Savage
Bruce	Couvelier	Crandall	Brummet
Serwa	Strachan	Loenen	

The debate resumed on the main motion.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.50 p.m.

Friday, May 1, 1987

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

The Hon. W. N. Vander Zalm made a statement relating to the Accord reached by the Government of Canada and the Provinces of Canada at the First Ministers' Conference held at Meech Lake.

Mr. Rose made a statement.

The Hon. C. C. Michael (Minister of Transportation and Highways) made a statement relating to a policy of priority purchase of British Columbia products by the British Columbia Ferry Corporation.

Mr. Rose made a statement.

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

On the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 20) intituled *Teaching Profession Act*.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.38 p.m.

Monday, May 4, 1987

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

On the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 20) intituled *Teaching Profession Act*.

The debate continued.

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

The Hon. C. H. Richmond advised the House that the House would not sit on Wednesday next.

And then the House adjourned at 5.52 p.m.

Tuesday, May 5, 1987

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

By leave, on the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, it was Ordered that leave be given for the Select Standing Committee on Labour, Justice and Intergovernmental Relations to meet while the House is in session today.

On the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 20) intituled *Teaching Profession Act*.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.58 a.m.

Tuesday, May 5, 1987

Two o'clock P.M.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

By leave, the Hon. R. M. Johnston (Minister of Municipal Affairs) tabled answers to Oral Questions taken on notice.

The Hon. C. H. Richmond (Minister of Social Services and Housing) tabled the 1985–86 Annual Report of the Ministry of Human Resources, with Supplement.

Mr. Barnes asked leave to make a statement.

Leave was not granted.

On the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 20) intituled *Teaching Profession Act*.

The debate continued.

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

By leave, on the motion of Mr. *De Jong*, Bill (No. Pr 403) intituled *Columbia Bible College Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, Private Bills and Members' Services.

And then the House adjourned at 5.55 p.m.

Thursday, May 7, 1987

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

On the motion of the Hon. W. B. Strachan, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 20) intituled *Teaching Profession Act*.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.53 a.m.