Tuesday, June 22, 1976

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by the Rev. W. Z. Van Druten.

By leave, the Hon. D. M. Phillips (Minister of Economic Development) tabled the British Columbia Railway Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended January 2, 1976.

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. 49) intituled *Home Purchase Assistance Act.*

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 57) intituled *Mineral Resource Tax Act*.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to nemine contradicente on the following division:

YEAS-29

Veitch	Curtis	Lloyd	Vander Zalm
Strongman	Phillips	Kerster	Mair
Rogers	McGeer	Kempf	Waterland
Mussallem	Wolfe	Kahl	Williams
Bawtree	Bennett	Hewitt	McClelland
Bawlf	Gardom	Haddad	Davis
Schroeder	McCarthy	Davidson	Fraser
Jordan	•		

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

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. 70) intituled Dentistry Amendment Act, 1976.

Bill (No. 24) intituled British Columbia Ferry Corporation Act.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 28) intituled *Guaranteed Available Income for Need Act*.

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

Order for Committee of Supply called.

By leave, on the motion of the Hon. Grace McCarthy, the House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

- 123. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$99,581 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1977.
- 124. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,358,260 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Departmental Administration and Support Services, to 31st March 1977.

125. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$12,836,693 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Manpower Training and

Development, to 31st March 1977.

126. Resolved. That a sum not exceeding \$137,384 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Employment Programs, to 31st March 1977.

127. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,079,800 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Occupational Environ-

ment and Compensation Advisory Services, to 31st March 1977.

128. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,254,404 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Services to Collective Bargaining (Mediation, Arbitration, Industrial Inquiry Commissions), Labour Standards, and Human Rights, to 31st March 1977.

129. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,114,935 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Labour Relations Board,

to 31st March 1977.

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. today.

And then the House adjourned at 1.15 p.m.

Tuesday, **June 22**, **1976**

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Macdonald rose on a matter of privilege and moved the following motion:

"Resolved, That a Special Committee on Privileges be named forthwith by the Select Standing Committee and directed to examine and report upon the question of the sittings of the Legislature outside of regular hours, and the lawfulness of Legislative Orders passed at the present Session outside of the regular times of sitting, and with power to summon and hear persons and testimony."

Mr. Speaker advised the House that he would consider the matter.

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

WALTER S. OWEN Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 77) intituled Labour Code of British Columbia Amendment Act. 1976, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

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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. T. M. Waterland presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:

WALTER S. OWEN Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith amendments to Bill (No. 57) intituled Mineral Resource Tax Act, enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, June 21, 1976

(Enclosure)

Section 1, in the definition of "fiscal year," line 3: By inserting "or, where the term is used with reference to the Mining Tax Act, means fiscal year as defined in that Act" after "this Act".

Section 1, in the definition of "mine," line 1: By inserting "or has been" after "mineral is".

Section 1, in the definition of "operator":

- (a) Line 1: By inserting "or was" after "is".
- (b) Line 2: By deleting "the right" and substituting "a right".

Section 2 (1), line 1: By inserting "during the fiscal year" after "derived".

Section 2 (1), lines 2 and 3: By deleting "during the fiscal year".

Section 3 (3), lines 3 and 4: By deleting "co-owner" and substituting "cooperator" in both places.

Section 5 (1):

- (a) Line 4: By deleting "and" at the end of paragraph (a).(b) Line 6: By adding ", and" at the end of paragraph (b) in place of the period.
- (c) By adding the following paragraph after paragraph (b):
- "(c) the fiscal year of the operator is his taxation year."

Section 5 (2) (a), lines 1 and 2: By deleting "were incurred in the fiscal year

Section 5 (2) (a) (i), line 1: By inserting "amounts deductible under" before "sections".

Section 5 (2) (*c*) (ii):

(a) Line 2: By deleting "in the Province".

(b) Line 3: By inserting "in the Province" after "minerals".

Section 5 (2) (c) (iii):

(a) Line 1: By deleting "in the Province".(b) Line 2: By inserting "in the Province" after "minerals".

Section 5 (2) (d) (ii):

(a) Line 1: By deleting "in the Province".

(b) Line 2: By inserting "in the Province" after "minerals".

Section 5 (4), line 1: By inserting "expense" after "interest".

Section 6 (1), line 3: By inserting "at the end of the fiscal year" after "capital cost".

Section 21, line 3: By deleting "at any time".

By leave of the House, Resolved, That the said Message, and the amendments accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee having in charge Bill (No. 57).

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

> WALTER S. OWEN Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 83) intituled Public Construction Fair Wages Act, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, June 21, 1976

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

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. E. M. Wolfe, it was Ordered-

That the Committee of Selection appointed by this House March 17, 1976, comprising the Hon. Grace McCarthy, Hon. R. H. McClelland, Messrs, Chabot, King, and Gibson be authorized to appoint a Special Committee of the Legislature to recommend a person to be appointed as Auditor General as provided under section 2 of the Auditor General Act.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

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

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. 46) intituled British Columbia Educational Institutions Capital Financing Authority Act.

Bill (No. 55) intituled Public Schools Amendment Act, 1976.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 61) intituled *Automobile Insurance Amendment Act, 1976* a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS-32

Veitch	Schroeder	Gardom	Vander Zalm
Strongman	Jordan	McCarthy	Nielsen
Rogers	Calder	Lloyd	Mair
Mussallem	Curtis	Kerster	Waterland
Loewen	Phillips	Kempf	Williams
Wallace, G.S.	McGeer	Kahl	McClelland
Bawtree	Wolfe	Hewitt	Davis
Bawlf	Bennett	Haddad	Fraser
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Nays—16

Wallace, B.	Lockstead	Nicolson	Stupich
Barber	Skelly	Lea	King
Brown	Sanford	Cocke	Barrett
Barnes	Lauk	Dailly	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.

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. 65) intituled Consumer Protection Act.

Bill (No. 64) intituled Public Service Benefit Plans Act.

Bill (No. 72) intituled Members of the Legislative Assembly Superannuation Amendment Act, 1976.

The following Bills were committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed:

Bill (No. 25) intituled Petroleum and Natural Gas (1965) Amendment Act, 1976.

Bill (No. 44) intituled Judicial Review Procedure Act.

The following Bills were committed, reported complete with amendments: Bill (No. 69) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes (Court Rules) Amendment Act*, 1976.

Bill (No. 74) intituled Attorney-General Statutes Amendment Act, 1976.

Bill (No. 62) intituled Legal Professions Amendment Act, 1976.

By leave of the House, Bills as reported to be considered forthwith.

By leave of the House, Bills read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 60) intituled *Credit Unions Amendment Act, 1976* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

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

By leave, the Hon. W. N. Vander Zalm (Minister of Human Resources) tabled the following:

Report to the Legislative Assembly pertaining to the death of Mrs. Honor Eastman, 3020 Cedar Hill Road, Victoria (deceased June 10, 1976).

Report to the Legislative Assembly pertaining to the death of Mr. Eggenberger.

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

Tuesday, June 22, 1976

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

WALTER S. OWEN Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith amendments to Bill (No. 64) intituled *Public Service Benefit Plans Act*, enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, June 21, 1976

(ENCLOSURE)

Section 1: Renumber as subsection (1) and add the following subsection: "(2) For the purposes of this Act 'employee' includes a Provincial judge, a coroner, or other person appointed to a position or office to which is attached a salary payable by the Crown in right of the Province."

By leave of the House, Resolved, That the said Message, and the amendments accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee having in charge Bill (No. 64).

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

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. 26) intituled Pollution Control (1967) Amendment Act, 1976.

Bill (No. 27) intituled Water Amendment Act, 1976.

Bill (No. 29) intituled Land Amendment Act, 1976.

Bill (No. 71) intituled Pharmacy Amendment Act, 1976.

Bill (No. 66) intituled Motor-vehicle Amendment Act, 1976 (No. 2).

Bill (No. 78) intituled Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 1976.

Bill (No. 80) intituled Motor-vehicle Amendment Act, 1976 (No. 3).

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 59) intituled Government Reorganization Act.

On the motion of Mr. Barrett that the debate be adjourned to the next sitting of the House, the House divided.

Motion negatived on the following division:

YEAS-12

Brown Barnes Lockstead	Sanford Lauk Nicolson	Cocke Dailly Stupich	King Barrett Macdonald
		Nays—30	
Veitch	Schroeder	McCarthy	Nielsen
Strongman	Jordan	Lloyd	Mair
Rogers	Calder	Kerster	Waterland
Mussallem	Curtis	Kempf	Williams
Loewen	Phillips	Hewitt	McClelland
Wallace, $G.S.$	Wolfe	Haddad	Davis
Bawtree	Bennett	Vander Zalm	Fraser
Bawlf	Gardom		

The debate continued.

On the motion of the Hon, K. R. Mair the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

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

And then the House adjourned at 10.58 p.m.

Wednesday, June 23, 1976

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Dr. John Williams.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 59) intituled Government Reorganization Act.

The debate continued.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:

YEAS-14

Barber Brown	Sanford Wallace, G. S.	Lea Cocke	King Barrett
Barnes	Gibson	Stupich	Macdonald
Lockstead	Nicolson		

Nays-30

Veitch	Jordan	Kerster	Nielsen
Strongman	Chabot	Kempf	Mair
Rogers	Curtis	Kahl	Waterland
Mussallem	Wolfe	Hewitt	Williams
Loewen	Bennett	Haddad	McClelland
Bawtree	Gardom	Davidson	Davis
Bawlf	McCarthy	Vander Zalm	Fraser
Schroeder	Lloyd		

The debate continued.

During the debate, Mr. Lea tabled a copy of Order in Council 1742 dated May 25, 1973.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 59) the House divided. Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS-30

Veitch	Jordan	Kerster	Nielsen
Strongman	Chabot	Kempf	Mair
Rogers	Curtis	Kahl	Waterland
Mussallem	Phillips	Hewitt	Williams
Loewen	Bennett	Haddad	McClelland
Bawtree	Gardom	Davidson	Davis
Bawlf	McCarthy	Vander Zalm	Fraser
Schroeder	Lloyd		

Nays-15

Wallace, B.	Lockstead	Gibson	Stupich
Barber	D'Arcy	Nicolson	Barrett
Brown	Sanford	Lea	Macdonald
Barnes	Wallace, G. S.	Cocke	

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

Order for Committee of Supply called.

By leave, on the motion of the Hon. Grace McCarthy, 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.

The Chairman further reported that on Mr. Cocke's motion that the Committee rise and report progress the Committee had divided, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

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

YEAS-15

Wallace, B. Barber	Lockstead D'Arcy	Gibson Nicolson	Stupich Barrett
		Lea	Macdonald
Brown	Sanford		Macaonala
Barnes	Wallace, G.S.	Cocke	

Nays-29

Veitch	Chabot	Kerster	Nielsen
Strongman	Curtis	Kempf	Mair
Rogers	Wolfe	Kahl	Waterland
Mussallem	Bennett	Hewitt	Williams
Loewen	Gardom	Haddad	McClelland
Bawtree	McCarthy	Davidson	Davis
Bawlf	Lloyd	Vander Zalm	Fraser
Jordan .	-		

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

And then the House adjourned at 1 p.m.

Wednesday, June 23, 1976

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

By leave, the Hon. E. M. Wolfe (Minister of Finance) tabled a Memorandum of Agreement, dated June 23, 1976, between the Government of Canada and the Government of the Province of British Columbia, relating to anti-inflation measures.

Mr. Speaker delivered his reserved decision relating to the matter of privilege previously raised by the First Member for Vancouver East, as follows:

Honourable Members,—Yesterday afternoon the Honourable First Member for Vancouver East rose on a point of privilege and presented to the Chair for consideration, a motion reading as follows:

Resolved, That a Special Committee on Privileges be named forthwith by the Select Committee and directed to examine and report upon the question of the sittings of the Legislature outside of regular hours, and the lawfulness of Legislative Orders passed at the present Session outside of the regular times of sitting, and with power to summon and hear persons and testimony.

I would make the preliminary observation that the practice of this House does not permit preambles to motions and accordingly, the motion as submitted is technically out of order in this regard.

However, as the matter of privilege alleged is one of considerable importance I have considered the matter further to determine whether or not the substance of the motion constitutes a matter of privilege which can be placed before the House for debate without notice. Standing Order 26 states as follows: "Whenever any matter of privilege arises it shall be taken into consideration immediately."

In deciding whether or not the matter can be raised without notice, I have examined several authorities, including Sir Erskine May's *Parliamentary Practice*, 16th edition, at page 382, and refer the honourable members to the following quotation therefrom:

"As a motion taken at the time for matters of privilege is thereby given precedence over the pre-arranged programme of public business, the Speaker requires to be satisfied, both that there is a prima facie case that a breach of privilege has been committed; and also that the matter is being raised at the earliest opportunity."

The earliest opportunity at which this matter could have been raised was the sitting of this House at 10 a.m. June 22, while in fact the matter was not raised

until the 2 o'clock sitting the same day.

Matters of privilege not raised at the earliest possible opportunity must be raised by notice of motion to be placed on the Order Paper and in this regard I refer the honourable members to a decision of this House contained in the 1968 Journals, pages 140 to 141.

I would add here that the restrictions in relation to raising a matter of privilege apply equally to a point of order and refer the honourable members to the 16th edition of May at page 470, which clearly states that points of order may be brought to the Chair's attention provided such member raises the point "the moment the alleged breach of order occurs."

There is a further ground upon which the honourable member's motion would appear to be out of order. The matter raised purports to deal with sittings of the Legislature and essentially matters of order within the House, and as such, cannot be raised as a matter of privilege. I refer the honourable members to Bourinot's *Parliamentary Practice*, 4th edition, at page 307. The learned author in that authority, dealing with questions of privilege, states as follows:

"A question of order in the House, or in a committee thereof, cannot be treated

as a matter of privilege."

It is therefore the ruling of the Chair that the matter raised by the honourable member must be raised on notice.

I wish to say that I am indebted to several honourable members for directing my attention to several Speakers' decisions and quotations from Sir Erskine May, all of which have been examined and considered.

Honourable members will undoubtedly appreciate that as the matter raised as a matter of privilege was decided upon other grounds, detailed comment on the authorities quoted by the honourable members becomes inappropriate.

D. E. SMITH, Speaker

On the motion of Ms. Brown, Bill (No. 84) intituled Farm and Domestic Workers' Recognition 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."

By leave, the Hon. *Jack Davis* (Minister of Transport and Communications) tabled the Annual Report of British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority for the year ended March 31, 1976.

On leave being requested by the Hon. Grace McCarthy that the House proceed to second reading of Bill (No. 81) intituled Public Service Act, leave was not granted.

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.

Order called for Private Bills.

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. 50) intituled *The Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of New Westminster Incorporation Act.*

Bill (No. 51) intituled British Columbia Association of Colleges Incorporation Act.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 52) intituled *Vancouver Stock Exchange Act, Amendment Act, 1976* a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Kerster*, 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 6 p.m.

Wednesday, June 23, 1976

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)

- 130. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$80,964 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1977.
- 131. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,780,468 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Deputy Minister's Office, to 31st March 1977.
- 132. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,218,082 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Mineral Resources Branch, to 31st March 1977.
- 133. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,117,312 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Petroleum Resources Branch, to 31st March 1977.

134. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$55,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Grants and Subsidies Program, to 31st March 1977.

135. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$100,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Mineral

Development Program, to 31st March 1977.

136. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,100,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Mineral Road Program, to 31st March 1977.

137. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$150,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Prospec-

tors' Assistance Program, to 31st March 1977.

138. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$100,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Mineral Research Program, to 31st March 1977.

139. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$200,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Mineral

Data Program, to 31st March 1977.

140. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$75,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Mineral Employment Program, to 31st March 1977.

141. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$600,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Energy

Resource Evaluation Program, to 31st March 1977.

74. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$14,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Forests, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1977.

Mr. Wallace directed the attention of the Chairman to the clock, the time being 11 p.m.

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

The Chairman further reported that in consideration of Vote 130 the Committee had divided, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

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

		YEAS—26		
Strongman	Chabot	Kerster	Nielsen	
Rogers	Calder	Kempf	Mair	
Mussallem	Curtis	Kahl	Waterland	
Bawtree	Phillips	Hewitt	Williams	
Bawlf	McGeer	Haddad	Davis	
Schroeder	McCarthy	Vander Zalm	Fraser	
Jordan	Lloyd			
		Nays—16		
Wallace, B.	Lockstead	Wallace, G.S.	Cocke	
Barber	D'Arcy	Gibson	King	
Brown	Skelly	Lauk	Barrett	
Barnes	Sanford	Nicolson	Macdonald	

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

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. Cocke on behalf of Mr. Stupich, it was Ordered that the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts and Economic Affairs be permitted to meet while the House is sitting on Thursday next.

And then the House adjourned at 11.03 p.m.

Thursday, June 24, 1976

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Alan Turner.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

Without the Committee rising, the Chairman reported to Mr. Speaker that he had ruled the motion by Mr. King that the Committee rise, report progress, and ask leave to sit again, out of order, on the ground that the same motion had been made and defeated in Committee without any intervening business.

The Chairman's ruling was challenged.

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

YEAS-32

Strongman	Jordan	Gardom	Davidson
Rogers	Chabot	McCarthy	Vander Zalm
Mussallem	Shelford	Lloyd	Nielsen
Wallace, G. S.	Curtis	Kerster	Mair
Gibson	Phillips	Kempf	Waterland
Bawtree	McGeer	Kahl	McClelland
Bawlf	Wolfe	Hewitt	Davis
Schroeder	Bennett	Haddad	Fraser
Wallace, B.	Lockstead	Nays—16	Stupich
Barber	D'Arcy	Nicolson	King
Brown	Skelly	Cocke	Barrett
Barnes	Sanford	Dailly	Macdonald

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

The Chairman further reported that on Mr. Macdonald's motion that the Committee rise and report progress the Committee had divided, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

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

YEAS-18

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

Nays-29

Veitch	Shelford	McCarthy	Vander Zalm
Strongman	Curtis	Lloyd	Nielsen
Rogers	Phillips	Kerster	Mair
Mussallem	McGeer	Kempf	Waterland
Bawtree	Wolfe	Kahl	McClelland
Bawlf	Bennett	Hewitt	Davis
Jordan	Gardom	Haddad	Fraser
Chabot			

The Chairman reported that during consideration of Vote 75 the Committee had divided on a motion that the Chairman leave the chair, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

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

YEAS-18

Wallace, B.	D'Arcy	Lauk	Stupich
Barber	Skelly	Nicolson	King
Brown	Sanford	Cocke	Barrett
Barnes	Wallace, G. S.	Dailly	Macdonald
Lockstead	Gibson	magnification and	

NAYS-30

Strongman	Shelford	Kerster	Nielsen
Rogers	Curtis	Kempf	Mair
Mussallem	Phillips	Kahl	Waterland
Bawtree	McGeer	Hewitt	Williams
Bawlf	Wolfe	Haddad	McClelland
Schroeder	Gardom	Davidson	Davis
Jordan	McCarthy	Vander Zalm	Fraser
Chahot	Lloyd		

The Chairman further reported that during consideration of Vote 75 the Committee had divided on a motion that the Chairman leave the chair, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

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

YEAS-17

Wallace, B.	D'Arcy	Lauk	Stupich
Barber	Skelly	Nicolson	King
Brown	Sanford	Cocke	Barrett
Barnes	Gibson	Dailly	Macdonald
Lockstead			

Nays-26

Veitch	Curtis	Kempf	Mair
Strongman	Wolfe	Kahl	Waterland
Mussallem	Bennett	Hewitt	Williams
Wallace, G.S.	Gardom	Haddad	McClelland
Bawtree	McCarthy	Davidson	Davis
Bawlf	Lloyd	Nielsen	Fraser
Shelford	Kerster		

The Chairman further reported that during consideration of Vote 75 the Committee divided on a motion to rise and report progress, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

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

	Yeas—16		
Wallace, B.	Lockstead	Wallace, G.S.	Cocke
Barber	D'Arcy	Gibson	King
Brown	Skelly	Lauk	Barrett
Barnes	Sanford	Nicolson	Macdonald
		Nays—25	
Veitch	Wolfe	Kempf	Mair
Strongman	Bennett	Kahl	Waterland
Mussallem	Gardom	Hewitt	Williams
Bawtree	McCarthy	Haddad	McClelland
Bawlf	Lloyd	Davidson	Davis
Shelford	Kerster	Nielsen	Fraser

The Chairman further reported that during consideration of Vote 75 the Committee had divided on a motion that the Chairman leave the chair, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

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

Wallace, B. Barber Brown Barnes	Lockstead D'Arcy Skelly Sanford	Gibson Lauk Nicolson Cocke	King Barrett Macdonald
		Nays—27	
Veitch Strongman Mussallem Wallace, G. S. Bawtree Bawlf Shelford	Calder Curtis Phillips Wolfe Bennett Gardom McCarthy	Lloyd Kerster Kempf Kahl Hewitt Haddad Davidson	Nielsen Mair Waterland McClelland Davis Fraser

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

Thursday, June 24, 1976

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

During the question period, by leave, the Hon. W. R. Bennett (Premier) tabled a copy invoice, dated December 1, 1975, relating to limousine service.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

75. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$28,755,041 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Forests, Departmental Administration and Support Services, to 31st March 1977.

76. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$6,378,077 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Forests, Resource Management Program,

to 31st March 1977.

- 77. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$22,853,993 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Forests, Reforestation Program, to 31st March 1977.
- 78. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,450,998 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Forests, Research Program, to 31st March 1977.
- 79. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$9,202,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Forests, Fire Suppression Program, to 31st March 1977.
- 80. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$7,101,520 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Forests, Forest Protection Program, to 31st March 1977.
- 81. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$5,470,023 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Forests, Inventory Program, to 31st March 1977.
- 82. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$9,308,904 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Forests, Scaling Program, to 31st March 1977.
- 83. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,231,540 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Forests, Range Management Program, to 31st March 1977.
- 84. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$4,617,194 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Forests, Forest Development Roads Program, to 31st March 1977.
- 85. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$7,130,710 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Forests, Reservoir Waterway Improvement Program, to 31st March 1977.

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.

By leave, the Hon. H. A. Curtis (Minister of Housing) tabled a reply to a question asked by the Member for Oak Bay on June 14, relating to Habitat Costsharing Agreement.

By leave, Mr. Stupich presented Report No. 1 of the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts and Economic Affairs.

REPORT No. 1

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
June 24, 1976

Mr. Speaker,

Your Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts and Economic Affairs begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee summoned Allan R. Turner, Chairman of the Public Documents Committee, established under the *Public Documents Disposal Act, Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1960*, chapter 134, and, having heard the submission on behalf of the Public Documents Committee, recommends that, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Documents Disposal Act*, approval be given for the destruction of various public documents as listed in the submission to the Public Accounts Committee for 1976 in so far as the following departments of Government are concerned:

Department of Economic Development; Department of Education; Department of Finance; Department of Health; Department of Human Resources; Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources; Department of Provincial Secretary; and Department of Transport and Communications.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

DAVID D. STUPICH, Chairman

By leave, the Report was taken as read and received and by leave, adopted.

And then the House adjourned at 5.58 p.m.

Friday, June 25, 1976

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Brig. Thomas Smith.

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

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 77) intituled Labour Code of British Columbia Amendment Act, 1976 a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. King, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Bill (No. 56) intituled Sheriffs Act was read a second time and Ordered to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 83) intituled *Public Construction Fair Wages Act* a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS-30

Veitch	Jordan	Bennett	Nielsen
Strongman	Chabot	Gardom	Mair
Rogers	Shelford	Kempf	Waterland
Mussallem	Calder	Kahl	Williams
Wallace, G.S.	Curtis	Hewitt	McClelland
Gibson	Phillips	Haddad	Davis
Bawtree	McGeer	Davidson	Fraser
Rawlf	Wolfe		

Nays—15

Wallace, B.	Lockstead	Nicolson	King
Barber	D'Arcy	Lea	Barrett
Brown	Skelly	Cocke	Macdonald
Barnes	Levi	Dailly	

Bill 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. 63) intituled Municipalities Enabling and Validating Amendment Act, 1976 was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 49) intituled *Home Purchase Assistance Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment.

On the motion for third reading, the House divided.

Motion agreed to nemine contradicente on the following division:

YEAS-44

Veitch	Wallace, G. S.	Schroeder	Kempt
Wallace, B.	Gibson	Jordan	Hewitt
Barber	Nicolson	Chabot	Haddad
Brown	Lea	Shelford	Davidson
Barnes	Cocke	Calder	Nielsen
Lockstead	Dailly	Curtis	Mair
D'Arcy	King	Phillips	Waterland
Skelly	Barrett	McGeer	Williams
Levi	Macdonald	Wolfe	McClelland
Rogers	Bawtree	Bennett	Davis
Mussallem	Bawlf	Gardom	Fraser

Bill read a third time and passed.

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

The Hon. L. A. Williams (Minister of Labour) tabled the following:

Fifty-ninth Annual Report of the Workers' Compensation Board for the year ended December 31, 1975.

Letter from the Deputy Comptroller-General, dated June 25, 1976, to the Minister of Labour relating to Workers' Compensation Board.

And then the House adjourned at 1.07 p.m.

Monday, June 28, 1976

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. R. G. Rockl.

On the motion of Mr. Gibson, Bill (No. 86) intituled An Act to Provide for the Payment of Local Taxes by the British Columbia Railway 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. H. A. Curtis (Minister of Housing) tabled the Second Annual Report of the Department of Housing for the year ended December 31, 1975.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. Barrett asked leave to move adjournment of the House to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely, release of information relating to surplus funds of the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia.

Mr. Speaker stated, in his opinion, the matter was not in order under Standing Order 35, and quoted the 16th edition of Sir Erskine May at page 370, as follows:

- "(i) If the matter is not raised at the earliest opportunity, it fails in urgency.
- "(ii) The matter must not involve hypothetical circumstances.
- "(iii) The matter must not be offered when facts are in dispute or before they are available."

Mr. Barrett appealed the ruling of the Chair.

Mr. Speaker stated that his "opinion" was not subject to appeal, and referred the honourable member to earlier rulings of the Chair to the same effect as shown by the Journals of the House of the current Session, and on other occasions.

Upon Mr. Barrett requesting unanimous consent to debate the matter in question, leave was not granted.

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. 77) intituled Labour Code of British Columbia Amendment Act, 1976.

On the motion of Mr. Kempf 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.

- 51 Mr. Wallace asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following questions:
 With reference to vandalism in British Columbia schools during the last 12 months for which figures are available—
- 1. How many incidents of vandalism occurred in British Columbia public schools?
 - 2. What was the total cost of damage done due to vandalism?
 - 3. Of the total cost of damage, how much was covered by insurance?
- 4. How many schools in the Province are (a) floodlit during hours of darkness and (b) equipped with intrusion alarm systems?
 - 5. How many cases of vandalism were prosecuted?
- 6. Of those cases prosecuted (a) in how many was restitution paid by convicted offenders and (b) what sum of money was paid in restitution?

The Hon. P. L. McGeer replied as follows:

- "1. Since boards of school trustees have not reported such incidents to the Department in any consistent way, this information is not available. The information may be obtained directly from secretary-treasurers of school districts from which information is desired. Only incidents of vandalism involving amounts of over \$1,000 are reported to the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia. In the last 12 months, 12 such incidents were reported.
- "2. See answer No. 1 for Department of Education response. The Insurance Corporation of British Columbia figure for the 12 reported incidents in answer No. 1 is \$23,200.
- "3. See answer No. 1 for Department of Education response. The Insurance Corporation of British Columbia response with regard to the 12 incidents reported in answer No. 1 is that \$17,400 was covered by insurance, most of which has already been paid by the Crown corporation with a small portion still pending.
- "4. (a) and (b) See answer No. 1 for Department of Education response. The answer to No. 4 is presently unknown by the Crown corporation. The information may be obtained directly from secretary-treasurers of school districts from which information is desired.
- "5. See answer No. 1 for Department of Education response. The response from the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia with regard to the 12 incidents referred to in answer No. 1 is that two cases were prosecuted by the Attorney-General's Department.
 - "6. (a) and (b), nil."
- 54 Mr. Wallace asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following questions:
 With reference to fires in British Columbia schools during the most recent
 12-month period for which information is available—
 - 1. How many fires occurred?

- 2. What was the total cost of damage done by fire in British Columbia schools?
- 3. Out of the total cost of damage, how much of the cost was covered by fire insurance?
- 4. How many fires were (a) deliberately set and (b) accidental or due to other causes?
- 5. How many prosecutions for arson have been carried out as a result of these fires?
- 6. In how many cases resulting in conviction was restitution paid by the offender?
 - 7. What was the total sum of money paid in restitution?

The Hon. P. L. McGeer replied as follows:

- "1. Since boards of school trustees have not reported such incidents to the Department in any consistent way, this information is not available. The information may be obtained directly from secretary-treasurers of school districts from which information is desired. The Insurance Corporation of British Columbia has reported to the Department that 31 fires were reported to it.
- "2. See answer No. 1. With respect to the 31 fires reported, the total cost of damage was \$6,085,000.
- "3. See answer No. 1. Of the damage reported in answer to No. 2, \$6,071,000 was covered by fire insurance, of which approximately two-thirds has been paid and the balance pending.
- "4. See answer No. 1. (a) Seventeen as determined jointly by the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia, Police and Fire Marshal's office, and (b) 14.
- "5. See answer No. 1. One prosecution by the Attorney-General's Department.
 - "6. None. The case referred to in No. 5 is still pending.
 - "7. Nil."

62 Mr. Gibson asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following questions:

- 1. What premiums were paid by the Department of Education to ICBC in respect to school fire insurance, by district, for the last fiscal year?
- 2. Who will be required to pay fire insurance premiums for the next fiscal year—the Department of Education or the school districts themselves?
 - 3. Will mandatory school districts dealing with ICBC be continued?
- 4. What deductible clause will be in effect with respect to the insurance written for school districts by ICBC?
- 5. What credit, in terms of premium deductions or cost-sharing, will school districts get for expenditures made to upgrade the fire protection standards of schools?

The Hon. P. L. McGeer replied as follows:

- "1. Fire insurance premiums paid by Department of Education in the ICBC fiscal year 1975/76 amounted to \$8,232,568; the breakdown by school districts being as per exhibit attached.
- "2. ICBC will bill the Department of Education. Arrangements between the Department and individual school districts have yet to be worked out.
- "3. Yes; subject to terms of section 24 of the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia Act.
- "4. In respect of fire insurance, there will be a \$1,000,000 deductible clause in each and every loss.

"5. Premium credits will be based solely on over-all improvement in fire loss record."

And then the House adjourned at 5.55 p.m.

Monday, June 28, 1976

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 77) intituled Labour Code of British Columbia Amendment Act, 1976.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS-32

Veitch	Jordan	Bennett	Vander Zalm
Rogers	Chabot	Gardom	Nielsen
Mussallem	Shelford	Kerster	Mair
Loewen	Calder	Kempf	Waterland
Wallace, G. S.	Curtis	Kahl	Williams
Gibson	Phillips	Hewitt	McClelland
Bawtree	McGeer	Haddad	Davis
Bawlf	Wolfe	Davidson	Fraser
		Nays—13	
Wallace, B.	D'Arcy	Nicolson	Stupich
Barber	Levi	Cocke	Barrett
Barnes	Lauk	Dailly	Macdonald
Lockstead		rich maining to an	

Bill 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. 53) intituled Municipal Amendment Act, 1976 was committed, reported complete with amendments.

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

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

YEAS-30

Rogers	Chabot	Gardom	Nielsen
Mussallem	Shelford	Kerster	Mair
Loewen	Calder	Kempf	Waterland
Wallace, G. S.	Curtis	Kahl	Williams
Gibson	Phillips	Hewitt	McClelland
Bawtree	McGeer	Haddad	Davis
Bawlf	Wolfe	Vander Zalm	Fraser
Jordan	Bennett		

Nays-13

Wallace, B.	D' $Arcv$	Nicolson	Stupich
Barber	Levi	Cocke	Barrett
Barnes	Lauk	Dailly	Macdonald
Lockstead		-	

By leave of the House, Bill as reported was considered forthwith.

By leave of the House, Bill (No. 53) was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 66) intituled *Motor-vehicle Amendment Act, 1976 (No. 2)* was committed, reported complete without amendment.

On the motion for third reading the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS-43

Veitch	Gibson	Shelford	Hewitt
Wallace, B.	Lauk	Calder	Haddad
Barber	Nicolson	Curtis	Vander Zalm
Barnes	Cocke	Phillips	Nielsen
Lockstead	Dailly	McGeer	Mair
D'Arcy	Stupich	Wolfe	Waterland
Levi	Barrett	Bennett	Williams
Rogers	Bawtree	Gardom	McClelland
Mussallem	Bawlf	Kerster	Davis
Loewen	J ordan	Kempf	Fraser
Wallace, G. S.	Chabot	Kahl	

Nays—1

Macdonald

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 80) intituled Motor-vehicle Amendment Act, 1976 (No. 3) was committed, reported complete with amendments.

By leave of the House, Bill as reported was considered forthwith.

By leave of the House, Bill (No. 66) was read a third time and passed.

The following Bills were committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed:

Bill (No. 56) intituled Sheriffs Act.

Bill (No. 26) intituled Pollution Control (1967) Amendment Act, 1976.

Bill (No. 27) intituled Water Amendment Act, 1976.

Bill (No. 29) intituled Land Amendment Act, 1976.

Bill (No. 70) intituled Dentistry Amendment Act, 1976.

Bill (No. 71) intituled *Pharmacy Amendment Act, 1976* was committed, reported complete with amendments.

By leave of the House, Bill as reported was considered forthwith.

By leave of the House, Bill (No. 71) was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 76) intituled Companies Amendment Act, 1976 was committed, reported complete with amendments.

By leave of the House, Bill as reported was considered forthwith.

By leave of the House, Bill (No. 76) was read a third time and passed.

The following Bills were committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed:

Bill (No. 46) intituled British Columbia Educational Institutions Capital Financing Authority Act.

Bill (No. 55) intituled Public Schools Amendment Act, 1976.

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

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. Stupich, it was Ordered that the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts and Economic Affairs be permitted to meet while the House is sitting on Tuesday next.

And then the House adjourned at 11.55 p.m.

Tuesday, June 29, 1976

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Bill Hale.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

142. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$81,506 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1977.

143. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$197,928 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Deputy Minister's Office, to 31st March 1977.

- 144. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$275,252 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Administrative Services, to 31st March 1977.
- 145. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$291,564 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Financial Management, to 31st March 1977.
- 146. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$487,432 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Planning Services, to 31st March 1977.
- 147. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$195,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Islands Trust, to 31st March 1977.
- 148. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,752,428 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Transit Management Services, to 31st March 1977.
- 149. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$324,568 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Transit Services Demand Program, to 31st March 1977.
- 150. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$15,104,620 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Transit Services Supply Program, to 31st March 1977.
- 151. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$125,877,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Grants and Subsidies, to 31st March 1977.
- 108. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$22,400 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Housing, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1977.
- 109. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,981,269 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Housing, General Administration, to 31st March 1977.
- 110. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Housing, Grants in Aid of Construction of Homes for Elderly Citizens, to 31st March 1977.
- 111. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$44,720,459 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Housing, Housing and Development, to 31st March 1977.
- 112. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$16,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Housing, Appropriation for the Provincial Home Acquisition Act, to 31st March 1977.

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. today.

Tuesday, June 29, 1976

Two o'clock P.M.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. G. B. Gardom (Attorney-General) made a statement relating to British Columbia's application to the Canadian Transport Commission re Pacific Western Airlines transfer to Alberta.

The Hon. T. M. Waterland (Minister of Mines and Petroleum Resources) tabled the British Columbia Petroleum Corporation financial statements as at March 31, 1976.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

- 198. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$153,642 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Transport and Communications, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1977.
- 199. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$735,379 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Transport and Communications, General Administration, to 31st March 1977.
- 200. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$542,243 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Transport and Communications, Engineering Branch, to 31st March 1977.
- 201. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,447,844 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Transport and Communications, Weigh Scale Branch, to 31st March 1977.
- 202. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$23,886,533 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Transport and Communications, Motor-vehicle Branch, to 31st March 1977.
- 203. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$848,420 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Transport and Communications, Motor Carrier Branch, to 31st March 1977.
- 204. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$7,346,632 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Transport and Communications, Computer and Consulting Service, to 31st March 1977.
- 205. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$11,764,280 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Transport and Communications, Telecommunications Services Branch, to 31st March 1977.
- 206. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,019,860 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Transport and Communications, Communications System Development and Regulation Branch, to 31st March 1977.
- 207. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$299,138 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Transport and Communications, Motor Carrier Commission, to 31st March 1977.

- 208. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,832,354 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Transport and Communications, Air Services, to 31st March 1977.
- 209. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$619,290 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Transport and Communications, Transport Research and Planning Branch, to 31st March 1977.
- 210. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$989,072 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Transport and Communications, British Columbia Energy Commission, to 31st March 1977.
- 211. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$59,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Transport and Communications, British Columbia Ferries, to 31st March 1977.

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 8 o'clock p.m. today.

The Hon. J. A. Nielsen (Minister of Environment) tabled the Annual Report of the Secretariat of the Environment and Land Use Committee for 1975.

By leave, Mr. Stupich presented the Second Report of the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts and Economic Affairs, as follows:

REPORT No. 2

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

June 29, 1976

Mr. Speaker,

Your Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts and Economic Affairs begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee, chaired by *D. D. Stupich*, had 19 meetings. Officials of B.C. Development Corporation, Dunhill Development Corporation, B.C. Hydro, B.C. Railway, B.C. Harbours Board, Ocean Falls Corporation, and of the Liquor Administration Branch appeared before the Committee as did representatives from B.C. Telephone Company. There were opportunities to examine vouchers supplied by the office of the Comptroller-General, Jack W. Minty.

Your Committee summoned Alan R. Turner, Chairman of the Public Accounts Committee established under the *Public Documents Disposal Act, Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1960,* chapter 314, and having heard the submission on behalf of the Public Documents Committee, recommends that, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Documents Disposal Act,* approval be given for destruction of various public documents as listed in the submission to the Public Accounts Committee for 1976 in so far as the Department of the Attorney-General is concerned, in addition to those departments referred to in this Committee's Report No. 1, dated June 24, 1976.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

DAVID D. STUPICH, Chairman

By leave, the Report was taken as read and received, and by leave, adopted.

And then the House adjourned at 5.58 p.m.

Tuesday, June 29, 1976

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of Mr. Gibson, Bill (No. 87) intituled Municipal Amendment Act No. 2, 1976 was introduced, read a first time, and Ordered to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

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

Bill (No. 81) intituled *Public Service Act* was read a second time and, by leave, *Ordered* to be committed today.

By leave of the House, Mr. Barrett tabled a copy of a notice displayed on B.C. Ferry vessels re catering.

Bill (No. 82) intituled *Public Service Labour Relations Amendment Act,* 1976 was read a second time and, by leave, *Ordered* to be committed today.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

- 98. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$160,236 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Highways and Public Works, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1977.
- 99. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,891,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Highways and Public Works, General Administration—Highways, to 31st March 1977.
- 100. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$129,379,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Highways and Public Works, Highway Maintenance, to 31st March 1977.
- 101. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$109,272,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Highways and Public Works, Highway Construction—Capital, to 31st March 1977.
- 102. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,220,418 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Highways and Public Works, General Administration—Public Works, to 31st March 1977.
- 103. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$35,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Highways and Public Works, Government Buildings Maintenance, to 31st March 1977.
- 104. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$37,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Highways and Public Works, Construction of Provincial Buildings, to 31st March 1977.
- 105. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$17,100,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Highways and Public Works, Rentals, to 31st March 1977.

106. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$4,357,393 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Highways and Public Works, Safety Inspection Division, to 31st March 1977.

107. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,377,432 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Highways and Public Works, Glendale Laundry Operation, to 31st March 1977.

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

Order called for "Private Bills."

The following Bills were committed, reported complete without amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed:

Bill (No. 51) intituled British Columbia Association of Colleges Incorporation Act.

Bill (No. 50) intituled The Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of New Westminster Incorporation Act.

The House reverted to "Public Bills and Orders."

Bill (No. 81) intituled *Public Service Act* was committed, reported complete with amendments.

By leave of the House, Bill as reported was considered forthwith.

By leave of the House, Bill (No. 81) was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 82) intituled *Public Service Labour Relations Amendment Act,* 1976 was committed, reported complete with amendments.

By leave of the House, Bill as reported was considered forthwith.

By leave of the House, Bill (No. 82) was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 78) intituled Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 1976 was committed, reported complete with amendments.

By leave of the House, Bill as reported was considered forthwith.

By leave of the House, Bill (No. 78) was read a third time and passed.

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.03 a.m.

Wednesday, June 30, 1976

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Darrell D. Eddy.

The Hon. W. N. Vander Zalm (Minister of Human Resources) tabled the Annual Report of the Department of Human Resources for the calendar year 1975, with fiscal addendum April 1, 1974, to March 31, 1975.

- **68** Mr. Gibson asked the Hon. the Minister of Economic Development the following questions:
- 1. Of the traffic originated on the British Columbia Railway (a) what amount, by dollar value of revenue, is destined to Canadian points; (b) what amount, by tonnage, is destined to Canadian points; (c) what amount, by dollar value of revenue, is destined to overseas points; (d) what amount, by tonnage, is destined to overseas points; (e) what amount, by dollar value of revenue, is destined to United States points west of the Mississippi; (f) what amount, by tonnage, is destined to United States points west of the Mississippi; (g) what amount, by dollar value of revenue, is destined to United States points east of the Mississippi; and (h) what amount, by tonnage, is destined to United States points east of the Mississippi?

2. Of the United States destined traffic east of the Mississippi, what percentage, by tonnage, travels east-bound on one of the Canadian national railways,

and what percentage is routed east-bound via the United States?

The Hon. D. M. Phillips replied as follows:

- "1. (a) \$31,552,534; (b) 4,596,396 tons; (c) \$6,439,176; (d) 920,840 tons; (e), (f), (g), and (h) these figures not maintained on a regional basis.
 - "2. These figures not maintained on a regional basis by tonnage."
- 28 Ms. Brown asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:
- 1. Have any consultants been hired by the Government, Crown agencies, Crown corporations, or any authority or business in which the Government holds direct or indirect control since December 23, 1975?
- 2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what are the names, qualifications, and remuneration if any, being paid to the consultants?

The Hon. Grace McCarthy stated that, in her opinion, the reply should be in the form of a Return and that she had no objection to laying such Return upon the table of the House, and thereupon presented such Return.

46 Mr. Gibson asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary (responsible for the Queen's Printer) the following question:

With regard to the paper use by Government departments, are there any guidelines concerning (a) the general reduction of paper use, (b) the use and purchase of recycled paper, and (c) the recycling of Government waste paper?

The Hon. Grace McCarthy replied as follows:

"(a) This is controlled through departmental estimates, (b) no, and (c) recycling of Government waste paper is handled through the Department of Public Works."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

- 152. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$75,258 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1977.
- 153. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$319,330 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, General Administration, to 31st March 1977.
- 154. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$802,822 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Central Microfilm Bureau, to 31st March 1977.
- 155. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,495,996 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Postal Branch, to 31st March 1977.
- 156. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$604,988 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Legislative Library, to 31st March 1977.
- 157. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,780,944 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Library Services, to 31st March 1977.
- 158. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$676,130 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Provincial Archives, to 31st March 1977.
- 159. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Queen's Printer, to 31st March 1977.
- 160. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$119,786 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Government House, to 31st March 1977.
- 161. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$400,843 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Agent-General's Office and British Columbia House, to 31st March 1977.
- 162. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$66,700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Indian Advisory Act, to 31st March 1977.
- 163. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Public Inquiries Act, to 31st March 1977.
- 164. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,210,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Grants and Special Services and Events, to 31st March 1977.
- 165. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$580,792 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Provincial Elections Act, to 31st March 1977.

166. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,289,434 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Provincial Emergency Programme, to 31st March 1977.

167. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secre-

tary, British Columbia Lottery Branch, to 31st March 1977.

168. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,030,406 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Leisure Services Branch, to 31st March 1977.

- 169. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$11,400,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Unemployment Insurance (Public Service) and Workers' Compensation Act, to 31st March 1977.
- 170. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,483,458 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, British Columbia Provincial Museum, to 31st March 1977.
- 171. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$250,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Distribution of Government Publications, to 31st March 1977.
- 172. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$150,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Secretary, Public Information, to 31st March 1977.
- 173. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,441,877 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Public Service Commission, Administration, to 31st March 1977.
- 174. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$24,150,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Public Service Commission, Employee Benefits, to 31st March 1977.
- 175. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,009,546 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, Administration, to 31st March 1977.
- 176. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$40,060,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, Public Service Superannuation and Retirement Benefits, to 31st March 1977.
- 177. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$150,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secertary, Superannuation Branch, Members of the Legislative Assembly Superannuation Act, to 31st March 1977.
- 178. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$61,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secertary, Superannuation Branch, Municipal Superannuation Act, to 31st March 1977.
- 179. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$34,400 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Travel Industry, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1977.
- 180. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$912,904 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Travel Industry, General Administration—Recreation, to 31st March 1977.
- 181. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$390,785 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Travel Industry, Information and Education Branch, to 31st March 1977.

- 182. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$565,856 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Travel Industry, Marine Resources Branch, to 31st March 1977.
- 183. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$300,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Travel Industry, Fisheries Enhancement Program, to 31st March 1977.
- 184. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10,079,600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Travel Industry, Fish and Wildlife Branch, to 31st March 1977.
- 185. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$129,750 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Travel Industry, Creston Valley Management Authority, to 31st March 1977.
- 186. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$13,565,187 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Travel Industry, Parks Branch—Operations, to 31st March 1977.
- 187. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Travel Industry, Parks Branch—Capital Program, to 31st March 1977.
- 188. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,320,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Travel Industry, Grants-in-aid of Regional Parks Development, to 31st March 1977.
- 189. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,858,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Travel Industry, Pacific Rim National Park, to 31st March 1977.
- 190. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Travel Industry, Youth Crew Program, to 31st March 1977.
- 191. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$405,254 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Travel Industry, Outdoor Recreation Branch, to 31st March 1977.
- 192. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,879,811 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Travel Industry, Archæological and Historic Sites Protection Act, to 31st March 1977.
- 193. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$62,240 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Travel Industry, General Administration—Travel, to 31st March 1977.
- 194. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$4,182,699 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Travel Industry, Travel Division, to 31st March 1977.
- 195. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,173,587 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Travel Industry, Beautiful British Columbia Magazine, to 31st March 1977.
- 196. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$169,933 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Travel Industry, California and London Offices, to 31st March 1977.
- 197. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$567,472 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Travel Industry, Film and Photographic Branch, to 31st March 1977.
- 1. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,264,110 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation to 31st March 1977.

Schedule A. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$199,703,557 be granted to Her Majesty to make good certain sums expended for the public service for the period ended March 31, 1975, and to indemnify the several officers and persons for making such expenditure.

making such expenditure.	
Legislation	\$1,477,075
Premier's Office	34,060
Department of Agriculture	346,473
Department of the Attorney-General	10,891,937
Department of Education	10,310,257
Department of Finance	41,946,135
Department of Health Services and Hospital Insurance	4,908,035
Department of Highways	3,319,303
Department of Housing	828,546
Department of Human Resources	98,386,825
Department of Economic Development	387,785
Department of Labour	45,915
Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources	5,578,999
Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources	307,898
Department of Municipal Affairs	7,724
Department of the Provincial Secretary	3,882,308
Department of Public Works	8,157,311
Department of Recreation and Conservation	554,172
Department of Transport and Communications	7,823,458
Department of Travel Industry	509,341
	\$199,703,557

The Committee reported the Resolutions. Report to be considered forthwith.

The reports of Resolutions from the Committee of Supply on April 28 and 29, and May 4, 6, 7, 10, 11, 18, 19, and 26, and June 4, 8, 22, 23, 24, 29, and 30 were taken as read and received.

On the motion of the Hon. E. M. Wolfe (Minister of Finance) the Rules were suspended and the Resolutions from the Committee of Supply were read a second time, taken as read, and agreed to.

Resolved. That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolutions.

On the motion of the Hon. E. M. Wolfe (Minister of Finance) it was Ordered—

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair for the House to go into Committee of Ways and Means.

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

Resolved, That towards the 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 the following:

(1) \$199,703,557 to make good certain sums expended for the fiscal year ended the 31st day of March 1975.

(2) \$3,667,202,382 towards defraying the several charges and expenses for the fiscal year ending the 31st day of March 1977, such sum to include that authorized to be paid under section 1 of the Supply Act, No. 1, 1976.

The Committee rose and reported the Resolution. Resolution read a second time, taken as read, and agreed to.

The Hon. E. M. Wolfe (Minister of Finance) presented Bill (No. 85) intituled Supply Act, No. 2, 1976.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of Bill (No. 85) intituled Supply Act, No. 2, 1976.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

By leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the Bill read a second time.

By leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the Bill referred to a Committee of the Whole House to be considered forthwith.

The Bill was committed, reported complete without amendment, and, by leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the Bill *Ordered* to be read a third time.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders."

Bill (No. 24) intituled *British Columbia Ferry Corporation Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

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

And then the House adjourned at 1.18 p.m.

Wednesday, June 30, 1976

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. A. V. Fraser (Minister of Highways and Public Works) made a statement relating to fire hazard in Massey Tunnel.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

By leave, Mr. Wallace tabled background information relating to the Astrophysical Observatory, White Lake.

The Hon. W. N. Vander Zalm (Minister of Human Resources) tabled a reply to a question asked by the Member for Oak Bay on May 13, relating to welfare frauds.

The Hon. *Grace McCarthy* (Provincial Secretary) tabled the Annual Report of the Department of the Provincial Secretary for the year ended December 31, 1975. (In manuscript form.)

The Hon. Jack Davis (Minister of Environment) tabled the British Columbia Harbours Board Auditor's Report as at March 31, 1976.

The House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders."

Bill (No. 57) intituled *Mineral Resource Tax Act* was committed, reported complete with amendments.

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

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

YEAS-33

Veitch	Chabot	Gardom	Vander Zalm
Strongman	Shelford	McCarthy	Nielsen
Mussallem	Calder	Lloyd	Mair
Loewen	Curtis	Kerster	Waterland
Gibson	Phillips	Kahl	Williams
Bawtree	McGeer	Hewitt	McClelland
Bawlf	Wolfe	Haddad	Davis
Schroeder	Bennett	Davidson	Fraser
Jordan			
		Nays—14	
Wallace, B.	D'Arcy	Lea	Stupich
Brown	Skelly	Cocke	King
Barnes	Levi	Dailly	Barrett
Lockstead	Lauk	•	

By leave of the House, Bill as reported was considered forthwith.

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 57) the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS-33

Veitch	Chabot	Gardom	Vander Zalm
Strongman	Shelford	McCarthy	Nielsen
Rogers	Calder	Lloyd	Mair
Mussallem	Curtis	Kerster	Waterland
Loewen	Phillips	Kahl	Williams
Gibson	McGeer	Hewitt	McClelland
Bawtree	Wolfe	Haddad	Davis
Bawlf	Bennett	Davidson	Fraser
Jordan			

Nays—12

Wallace, B.	Barnes	Lauk	Dailly
Barber	Skelly	Lea	King
Brown	Levi	Cocke	Barrett

By leave, Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 30) intituled *Mineral Amendment Act, 1976* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 28) intituled Guaranteed Available Income for Need Act was committed, reported complete with amendments.

By leave of the House, Bill as reported was considered forthwith.

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 28) the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

_ YEAS-31

Veitch	Schroed er	Wolfe	Vander Zalm
Strongman	Jordan	Bennett	Nielsen
Rogers	Chabot	Gardom	Mair
Mussallem	Shelford	McCarthy	Williams
Wallace, G. S.	Calder	Lloyd	McClelland
Gibson	Curtis	Kerster	Davis
Bawtree	Phillips 1	Kahl	Fraser
Bawlf	McGeer	Haddad	

Nays—12

Wallace, B.	Barnes	Lea	King
Barber	Levi	Cocke	Barrett
Brown	Lauk	Dailly	Macdonald

By leave, Bill read a third time and passed.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. E. M. Wolfe, it was Ordered—

That the Committee of Selection appointed by this House March 17, 1976, authorized by Order of the House on the 22nd day of June last, to appoint a Special Committee of the Legislature to recommend a person to be appointed as Auditor General as provided under section 2 of the Auditor General Act, and the Special Committee, so appointed, be respectively authorized to sit notwithstanding any adjournment of the House, and that the said Committees be further empowered respectively to sit outside the precincts of the House.

Bill (No. 77) intituled Labour Code of British Columbia Amendment Act, 1976 was committed, reported complete with amendments.

By leave of the House, Bill as reported was considered forthwith.

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 77) the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS-30

Veitch	Schroeder
Strongman	Chabot
Rogers	Shelford
Mussallem	Calder
Wallace, G. S.	Curtis
Gibson	Phillips
Bawtree	McGeer
Bawlf	Wolfe

Bennett Gardom McCarthy Lloyd Kerster Kahl Haddad

Vander Zalm Nielsen Mair Williams McClelland Davis Fraser

Nays-13

Wallace,	В.
Barber	
Brown	
Barnes	

Skelly Levi Lauk Lea Cocke Dailly

King Barrett Macdonald

By leave, Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 83) intituled *Public Construction Fair Wages Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment.

On the motion for third reading, the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS--29

Veitch	
Strongman	
Rogers	
Mussallem	
Wallace, G. S.	
Gibson	
Bawtree	
Bawlf	

Schroeder Wolfe
Chabot Bennett
Shelford Gardom
Calder McCarthy
Curtis Lloyd
Phillips Kerster
McGeer Kahl

Haddad Vander Zalm Nielsen Mair Williams McClelland Fraser

Nays—13

Wallace, B.
Barber
Brown
Barnes

Skelly Levi Lauk Lea Cocke Dailly King Barrett Macdonald

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 59) intituled Government Reorganization Act was committed, reported complete with amendments.

By leave of the House, Bill as reported was considered forthwith.

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 59) the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS-26

Veitch	Shelford
Strongman	Calder
Rogers	Curtis
Mussallem	Phillips
Bawtree	McGeer
Bawlf	Wolfe
Chabot	Bennett

Gardom McCarthy Lloyd Kerster Kahl Haddad

Vander Zalm Nielsen Mair Williams McClelland Fraser

Nays—14

Wallace, B.	Skelly	Lauk	Dailly
Barber	Levi	Lea	Barrett
Brown	Wallace, G. S.	Cocke	Macdonald
Barnes	Gibson		

By leave, Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 64) intituled *Public Service Benefit Plans Act* was committed, reported complete with amendments.

By leave of the House, Bill as reported was considered forthwith.

By leave of the House, Bill (No. 64) was read a third time and passed.

The following Bills were committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed:

Bill (No. 72) intituled Members of the Legislative Assembly Superannuation Amendment Act, 1976.

Bill (No. 61) intituled Automobile Insurance Amendment Act, 1976.

Bill (No. 23) intituled British Columbia Buildings Corporation Act was committed, reported complete without amendment.

The Committee further reported that in consideration of Mr. Wallace's proposed amendment to section 4 (2) (a), line 1, the House had divided, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

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

YEAS-15

Lauk

King

Barber	Levi	Lea	Barrett
Brown	Wallace, G. S.	Cocke	Macdonald
Barnes	Gibson	Dailly	
	1	Nays—25	
Veitch	Shelford	Gardom	Vander Zalın
Strongman	Calder	McCarthy	Nielsen
Rogers	Curtis	Lloyd	Mair
Mussallem	Phillips	Kerster	Williams
Bawtree	Wolfe	Kahl	McClelland
Bawlf	Bennett	Haddad	Fraser
Chahot			

The Committee further reported that in consideration of Mr. Wallace's proposed amendment to section 4 (2) (e), the House had divided, and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

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

Wallace, B. Skelly

NAYS-37

Veitch	Lauk	Chabot	Lloyd
Strongman	Lea	Shelford	Kerster
Wallace, B.	Cocke	Calder	Kahl
Barber	Dailly	Curtis	Haddad
Brown	King	Phillips	Vander Zalm
Barnes	Barrett	Wolfe	Nielsen
Skelly	Macdonald	Bennett	Mair
Levi	Bawtree	Gardom	McClelland
Rogers	Bawlf	McCarthy	Fraser
Mussallem		onderents.	

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 23) the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS-36

Veitch	Mussallem	Chabot	Kerster
Strongman	Lauk	Shelford	Kahl
Wallace, B.	Cocke	Curtis	Haddad
Barber	Dailly	Phillips	Vander Zalm
Brown	King	Wolfe	Nielsen
Barnes	Barrett	Bennett	Mair
Skelly	Macdonald	Gardom	Williams
Levi	Bawtree	McCarthy	McClelland
Rogers	Bawlf	Lloyd	Fraser

Nays—2

Wallace, G. S. Gibson

Bill read a third time and passed.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor having entered the House, and being seated in the chair—

- E. G. MacMinn, Esq., Deputy Clerk of the House, read the titles to the following Bills:
 - (No. 23) British Columbia Buildings Corporation Act.
 - (No. 24) British Columbia Ferry Corporation Act.
 - (No. 25) Petroleum and Natural Gas (1965) Amendment Act, 1976.
 - (No. 26) Pollution Control (1967) Amendment Act, 1976.
 - (No. 27) Water Amendment Act, 1976.
 - (No. 28) Guaranteed Available Income for Need Act.
 - (No. 29) Land Amendment Act, 1976.
 - (No. 30) Mineral Amendment Act, 1976.
 - (No. 44) Judicial Review Procedure Act.
 - (No. 46) British Columbia Educational Institutions Capital Financing Authority Act.
 - (No. 49) Home Purchase Assistance Act.
 - (No. 50) The Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of New Westminster Incorporation Act.
 - (No. 51) British Columbia Association of Colleges Incorporation Act.
 - (No. 53) Municipal Amendment Act, 1976.
 - (No. 55) Public Schools Amendment Act, 1976.

- (No. 56) Sheriffs Act.
- (No. 57) Mineral Resource Tax Act.
- (No. 59) Government Reorganization Act.
- (No. 60) Credit Unions Amendment Act, 1976.
- (No. 61) Automobile Insurance Amendment Act, 1976.
- (No. 62) Legal Professions Amendment Act. 1976.
- (No. 63) Municipalities Enabling and Validating Amendment Act, 1976.
- (No. 64) Public Service Benefit Plans Act.
- (No. 66) Motor-vehicle Amendment Act, 1976 (No. 2).
- (No. 69) Miscellaneous Statutes (Court Rules) Amendment Act, 1976.
- (No. 70) Dentistry Amendment Act, 1976.
- (No. 71) Pharmacy Amendment Act, 1976.
- (No. 72) Members of the Legislative Assembly Superannuation Amendment Act, 1976.
- (No. 74) Attorney-General Statutes Amendment Act, 1976.
- (No. 76) Companies Amendment Act, 1976.
- (No. 77) Labour Code of British Columbia Amendment Act, 1976.
- (No. 78) Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act. 1976.
- (No. 80) Motor-vehicle Amendment Act, 1976 (No. 3).
- (No. 81) Public Service Act.
- (No. 82) Public Service Labour Relations Amendment Act, 1976.
- (No. 83) Public Construction Fair Wages Act.
- (No. 85) Supply Act, No. 2, 1976.

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 thank Her Majesty's loyal subjects, accept their benevolence, and assent to these Bills."

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

On the motion of the Hon. Grace McCarthy, it was Resolved-

That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until it appears to the satisfaction of Mr. Speaker, after consultation with the Government, that the public interest requires that the House shall meet, Mr. Speaker may give notice that he is so satisfied and thereupon the House shall meet at the time stated in such notice and shall transact its business as if it had been duly adjourned to that time; and

That in the event of Mr. Speaker being unable to act owing to illness or other cause, the Deputy Speaker shall act in his stead for the purpose of this order.

- **69** Mr. Wallace asked the Hon. the Minister of Transport and Communications the following questions:
- 1. In regard to statistics relating to ferry usage by trailers, buses, campers, and cars, what are the total numbers of each of these vehicles recorded as using B.C. Ferries (a) for the period June 1 to June 15, 1975, and (b) for the period June 1 to June 15, 1976?
- 2. In regard to statistics relating to ferry usage by foot passengers, what is the total number of foot passengers using B.C. Ferries (a) for the period June 1 to June 15, 1975, and (b) for the period June 1 to June 15, 1976?

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The Hon. L. A. Williams replied as follows:

"Under the Human Rights Code of British Columbia, the Director of the Human Rights Branch is obliged to inquire into, investigate, and endeavour to effect settlements of alleged discriminations or contraventions of the Code. Where the Director is unable to settle an allegation or is of the opinion that an allegation will not be settled, the Director is obliged to report thereon to the Minister of Labour. The Code does not contemplate a procedure for the making of 'requests' for the holding of hearings. It is the practice for the Minister of Labour to exercise the discretion extended to him under the Code to do so following consultation with the Director and officials of the Department of Labour.

"During the period from January 1, 1976, the Director reported 10 cases that could not or might not be settled. Boards of Inquiry were appointed by the Minister of Labour in five cases. Boards of Inquiry were not appointed in three cases, as the circumstances did not disclose discrimination within the scope of the Code.

Two cases are presently under consideration."

67 Mr. Levi asked the Hon. the Minister of Human Resources the following questions:

- 1. Did any employable persons receive social assistance in 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, and to date in 1976?
- 2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what were the totals in each year on a monthly basis?

The Hon. W. N. Vander Zalm replied as follows:

"1. Yes.

"2. Totals in each year on a monthly basis were:

	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976
January	23,706	18,446	21,564	26,160	25,338
February	22,558	17,479	21,746	25,707	22,774
March	20,733	17,076	21,836	27,055	22,865
April	18,696	16,127	21,361	25,093	21,328"
May	18,492	16,304	22,606	21,991	ni ne izimm
June	15,564	15,707	22,500	21,207	
July	16,343	16,019	21,168	21,365	
August	16,997	16,456	23,978	23,537	
September	15,847	16,663	21,968	25,231	
October	15,044	16,654	21,006	25,375	
November	16,211	18,843	21,066	23,342	
December	17,142	18,896	22,507	22,413	

And then the House adjourned at 8.25 p.m.