

Thursday, June 24, 1982

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. G. D. Smith.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. Lockstead sought leave to extend Question Period.

Leave was not granted.

The Hon. R. H. McClelland rose on a point of order, namely, that supplemental questions should not be permitted with respect to a question taken on notice.

Mr. Speaker made a further statement relating to procedure during Oral Question Period.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

By leave, on the motion of the Hon. G. B. Gardom, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders."

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 55) intituled *Wildlife Act*, a debate arose.

The House divided.

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

YEAS — 49

<i>Brummet</i>	<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Segarty</i>	<i>Davidson</i>
<i>Passarell</i>		<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Ree</i>
<i>Mitchell</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Davis</i>	<i>Richmond</i>
<i>Hanson</i>		<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Ritchie</i>
<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>
<i>Barber</i>	<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Jordan</i>
<i>Brown</i>		<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>
	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Heinrich</i>
<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>Lauk</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>Lea</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Rogers</i>
	<i>King</i>	<i>Gardom</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
<i>Gabelmann</i>	<i>Howard</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Sanford</i>		<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Hyndman</i>
<i>Levi</i>		<i>Wolfe</i>	<i>Waterland</i>

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.

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.

5 Mr. King asked the Hon. the Minister of Transportation and Highways the following questions:

With respect to the reconstruction of Highway 23 from Revelstoke to Mica Creek—

1. At the time of commencement of construction what was the estimated total cost of construction?
2. What is the total amount spent or encumbered to the latest date available?
3. To the latest date available, what is the current revised estimate of total cost of construction to completion in current, as spent, dollars?

The Hon. A. V. Fraser replied as follows:

- “1. \$114 million in 1978.
- “2. \$110.7 million at April 26, 1982.
- “3. \$125 million.”

6 Mr. King asked the Hon. the Minister of Transportation and Highways the following questions:

With respect to the Downey slide stabilization program—

1. Has a stabilization program been approved by the water controller?
2. If the answer to No. 1 above is “yes,” what are the elements of the program?
3. To the latest date available, how much drilling and/or drainage tunnelling has been completed on the program?
4. How much drilling and/or drainage tunnelling remains to be completed under the program?
5. What is the estimated cost of drilling and/or drainage tunnelling (a) to the latest date available and (b) to completion of the program?

The Hon. A. V. Fraser replied as follows:

“I would advise the Honourable Member that the Downey slide area is not within a highway right-of-way nor does it pose a threat to an adjacent highway. Consequently, it has not been investigated by the Ministry of Transportation and Highways and the information requested is not available from the Ministry of Transportation and Highways.”

15 Mr. Ritchie asked the Hon. the Minister of Transportation and Highways the following questions:

With respect to Gulf Islands ferry routes—

1. How many motor vehicles were carried between Swartz Bay and Fulford Harbour in the calendar year 1981?
2. How many motor vehicles were carried between Vesuvius and Crofton in the same year?
3. How many motor vehicles were carried between Tsawwassen and Long Harbour (disregarding traffic between intermediate points on the last-mentioned route) in the same year?

The Hon. A. V. Fraser replied as follows:

“Vehicle Traffic—1981—

“1. Swartz Bay—Fulford, 225,340.

“2. Vesuvius—Crofton, 121,050.

“3. Tsawwassen—Long Harbour, 50,731.”

56 Mr. Stupich asked the Hon. the Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources the following questions:

1. How many copies of B.C. Hydro's Annual Reports for 1980–81 and 1981–82 were printed?

2. To whom were they distributed?

3. What was the cost for each year of (a) production, including staff time, (b) printing and (c) distribution?

The Hon. R. H. McClelland replied as follows:

“1. 1980–81—30,000 and 1981–82—30,000.

“2. Regular employees; pensioners; investors; bond holders; investment dealers; banks; other financial institutions; other utilities; MLA's; MP's (in B.C.); news media throughout B.C.; trade journals; mayors and aldermen; federal ministries, commissions, boards, etc.; Provincial ministries, commissions, boards, etc.; senior civic staff; business leaders (including chambers of commerce, etc.); libraries (public and corporate); elementary schools; secondary schools; universities and colleges; education officials; trade associations; public actions, environment and other special interest groups; and various individuals who have requested they be placed on the list. In addition, copies of the publication are available at all Hydro offices throughout the Province. They are publicized through Service Digest as part of Hydro's ongoing information service to the public.

“3. 1980–81, (a) \$47,300.63, (b) \$60,496 plus taxes for a total of \$66,799.94 and (c) \$12,800. Staff time is estimated as follows: Publications Section, 140 hours; Editorial, 320 hours; Audio-visual, 82 hours; and Financial, 90 hours. 1981–82, (a) \$19,500 (estimated), (b) \$45,842 (estimated) and (c) \$14,750 (estimated). Staff time is estimated as follows: Publications Section, 280 hours; Typesetting, 100 hours; Editorial, 285 hours; and Financial, 90 hours. Note: Staff time is indicated in hours rather than dollars since the many individuals involved are all paid at different rates.”

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

1. What was the deficit or subsidy required to support the Gabriola Island Ferry during the fiscal years 1980–81 and 1981–82?

2. What is the estimate of the magnitude of this cost or subsidy during the fiscal year 1982–83?

The Hon. A. V. Fraser replied as follows:

“1. Deficit in 1980–81 of \$1,388,073.66 and deficit in 1981–82 of \$1,446,085.83.

“2. Estimated deficit in 1982–83 of \$2,200,000.”

60 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 1980, 1981 and to date 1982, how many cars and how many passengers were carried and what was the annual net loss on this route?

The Hon. *A. V. Fraser* replied as follows:

"Calendar Year	Vehicles	Passengers (Including Driver)
1980	294,516	714,149
1981	301,448	731,204
1982 (to May 31)	109,640	273,811

"Financial statistics maintained on fiscal year basis. Deficits by fiscal years are: 1980-81, \$1,388,073.66; 1981-82, \$1,446,085.83; and 1982-83, \$2,200,000 (estimated)."

On the motion of the Hon. *G. B. Gardom*, the House adjourned at 5.58 p.m.

Friday, June 25, 1982

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by the Right Rev. *J. T. Frame*.

Mr. Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows:

Honourable Members:

Wednesday last the Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources rose on a question of privilege involving statements made outside the House by another honourable member which had allegedly been reported in a local newspaper. The Minister did not table a copy of the article in the House. On the authority of a previous ruling in this House, to be found in the Journals of 1974, at page 23, it is necessary that the article be tabled with the member's submission. Although the Minister did not table the article, I note that it was tabled by the Honourable Member for New Westminster who also indicated it was an accurate report of his remarks.

On a second ground, however, the Minister's application fails. In matters of privilege, it is necessary that the member, when raising the matter, present the Chair a copy of the motion he proposes to move. (ref.: British Columbia Journals, 1973, page 196).

H. W. SCHROEDER, Speaker

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

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

On the motion of the Hon. *G. B. Gardom*, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders."

Bill (No. 52) intituled *Waste Management Act* read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 28) intituled *Compensation Stabilization Act* read a third time and passed.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

(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.

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

Ian D. Izard, Esq., Law Clerk and Clerk Assistant, read the titles to the following Bills:

Bill (No. 3) *Offence Amendment Act, 1982*.
Bill (No. 4) *Motor Vehicle Amendment Act, 1982*.
Bill (No. 11) *Special Appropriations Act*.
Bill (No. 28) *Compensation Stabilization Act*.
Bill (No. 30) *Social Service Tax Amendment Act, 1982*.
Bill (No. 39) *Housing and Employment Development Financing Act*.
Bill (No. 46) *Home Purchase Assistance Amendment Act, 1982*.
Bill (No. 49) *Municipal Amendment Act (No. 2), 1982*.
Bill (No. 52) *Waste Management Act*.
Bill (No. 54) *Land Amendment Act, 1982*.

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

The said assent was announced by *Ian M. Horne*, Q.C., Clerk of the House, in the following words:

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

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

And then the House adjourned at 12.50 p.m.

Monday, June 28, 1982

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

The Committee rose and reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 9.30 o'clock a.m. tomorrow.

35 Mr. *Stupich* asked the Hon. the Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources the following questions:

With reference to the Columbia River Treaty, to date—

1. What is the total expenditure on construction of storage, generation transformation and transmission facilities associated with each of (a) Mica Creek dam project, (b) High Arrow dam project and (c) Duncan dam project?

2. Was any other project financed in part under the provisions of the Columbia River Treaty?

3. If the answer to No. 2 is "yes", (a) how is it identified, (b) what is the total expenditure to date and (c) what is the estimate of the total amount required to complete the project?

The Hon. *R. H. McClelland* replied as follows:

"1. (a) Mica Creek dam project (includes storage, generation, transformation, transmission and microwave), \$1,036,674,839; (b) High Arrow dam project (storage only), \$197,710,194; and (c) Duncan dam project (storage only) \$33,290,315. The above figures include corporate overhead and interest during construction.

"2. Yes.

"3. (a) Libby Reservoir (clearing the Canadian portion); (b) total expenditures by B.C. Hydro from July 1973 to April 30, 1982 are \$2,838,068 (including overhead and interest); and (c) the estimate of the total amount required to complete the work is \$264,711 by March 31, 1984."

54 Mr. *Stupich* asked the Hon. the Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources the following questions:

With reference to the Columbia River power development financing—

1. What is the total expenditure on construction of storage projects to date?

2. What are the total expenditures on generation, transformation and transmission facilities to date?

The Hon. *R. H. McClelland* replied as follows:

“1. Total expenditure on construction of storage projects to April 30, 1982 is \$599,721,195.

“2. Total expenditures on generation, transformation and transmission facilities to April 30, 1982 are \$670,515,520.”

55 Mr. *Stupich* asked the Hon. the Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources the following questions:

1. How many copies of B.C. Hydro's Energy Blueprint 1981 and 1982 were printed?

2. To whom were they distributed?

3. What was the cost in each year of (a) production, including staff time, (b) printing and (c) distribution?

The Hon. *R. H. McClelland* replied as follows:

“1. 1981—30,000 and 1982—not published.

“2. Regular employees; pensioners; investors; bond holders; investment dealers; banks; other financial institutions; other utilities; MLA's; MP's (in B.C.); news media throughout B.C.; trade journals; mayors and aldermen; federal ministries, commissions, boards, etc.; Provincial ministries, commissions, boards, etc.; senior civic staff; business leaders (including chambers of commerce, etc.); libraries—public and corporate; elementary schools; secondary schools; universities and colleges; education officials; trade associations; public action, environment and other special interest groups; and various individuals who have requested they be placed on the list. In addition, copies of the publication are available at all Hydro offices throughout the Province. They are publicized through Service Digest as part of Hydro's ongoing information service to the public.

“3. 1981: (a) \$29,179.17, (b) \$22,688 plus taxes for a total of \$24,424.53 and (c) \$5,882.16. Staff time is estimated as follows: publications section, 50 hours; editorial, 175 hours. 1982: (a) not applicable, (b) not applicable and (c) not applicable. Note: Staff time is indicated in hours rather than dollars since the many individuals involved are all paid at different rates.”

And then the House adjourned at 5.55 p.m.

Tuesday, June 29, 1982

NINE-THIRTY O'CLOCK A.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

76. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$228,769 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Transportation and Highways, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1983.

77. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$19,242,394 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Transportation and Highways, Administration and Services Department, to 31st March 1983.

78. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$521,132,477 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Transportation and Highways, Highway Operations Department, to 31st March 1983.

79. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Transportation and Highways, Hydro Development—Highways, to 31st March 1983.

80. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,658,433 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Transportation and Highways, Transportation Policy Department, to 31st March 1983.

81. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$54,822,700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Transportation and Highways, Crown Corporation Assistance, to 31st March 1983.

82. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,543,264 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Transportation and Highways, Motor Vehicle Department, to 31st March 1983.

83. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,542,953 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Transportation and Highways, Motor Carrier Commission and Branch, to 31st March 1983.

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 on the motion that Vote 76 be reduced by \$2,500 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. *Barber*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS—19

<i>Mitchell</i>	<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	
<i>Hanson</i>	<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Lea</i>
<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Skelly</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Barber</i>		<i>Cocke</i>	
<i>Brown</i>	<i>Sanford</i>		<i>Barrett</i>
		<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>
	<i>Leggatt</i>		

NAYS—27

<i>Brummet</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Heinrich</i>	
<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Ree</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Segarty</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Richmond</i>	<i>Rogers</i>
<i>Strachan</i>		<i>Ritchie</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
<i>Davis</i>	<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Hyndman</i>
<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>	
<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>		

The Chairman further reported that on the motion that Vote 77 be reduced by \$2,280,010 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. *Barrett*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS—21

	<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Lauk</i>
<i>Mitchell</i>	<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Lea</i>
<i>Hanson</i>	<i>Skelly</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Wallace</i>		<i>Cocke</i>	
<i>Barber</i>	<i>Sanford</i>	<i>Dailly</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Brown</i>		<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>
	<i>Leggatt</i>		

NAYS—25

<i>Brummet</i>	<i>McGeer</i>		<i>Heinrich</i>
<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Phillips</i>		<i>Smith</i>
<i>Segarty</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Richmond</i>	<i>Rogers</i>
<i>Strachan</i>		<i>Ritchie</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
<i>Davis</i>	<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Hyndman</i>
<i>Nielsen</i>		<i>Hewitt</i>	
<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>		

The Chairman further reported that in consideration of Vote 77 the Committee had divided and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

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

YEAS — 46

<i>Brummet</i>	<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Segarty</i>	
	<i>Leggatt</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	
<i>Mitchell</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Davis</i>	<i>Richmond</i>
<i>Hanson</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Ritchie</i>
<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>
<i>Barber</i>	<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Jordan</i>
<i>Brown</i>	<i>Dailly</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>
	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Heinrich</i>
<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>Lauk</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>Lea</i>		<i>Rogers</i>
<i>Skelly</i>	<i>King</i>	<i>Gardom</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
		<i>Williams</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Sanford</i>	<i>Barrett</i>		<i>Hyndman</i>
	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	

The Chairman further reported that on the motion that Vote 78 be reduced by \$6,449,034 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 the Hon. *G. B. Gardom*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS—21

Mitchell	Lockstead	Lorimer	Lauk
Hanson	D'Arcy	Hall	Lea
Wallace	Skelly	Nicolson	King
Barber	Sanford	Cocke	Barrett
Brown	Leggatt	Dailly	Macdonald
		Stupich	

NAYS—27

Brummet	McGeer	Ree	Heinrich
Mussallem	Phillips	Richmond	Smith
Segarty	Curtis	Ritchie	Rogers
Strachan		Vander Zalm	McClelland
Davis	Gardom	Jordan	Chabot
Kempf	Williams	Hewitt	Hyndman
Nielsen	McCarthy		
Fraser	Wolfe		

The Chairman further reported that in consideration of Vote 78 the Committee had divided and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

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

YEAS — 48

Passarell	Mussallem	Segarty	Ree
Mitchell	Leggatt	Strachan	Richmond
Hanson	Lorimer	Davis	Ritchie
Wallace	Hall	Kempf	Vander Zalm
Barber	Nicolson	Nielsen	Jordan
Brown	Cocke	Fraser	Hewitt
	Dailly	McGeer	Heinrich
Lockstead	Stupich	Phillips	Smith
D'Arcy	Lauk	Curtis	Rogers
Skelly	Lea	Gardom	McClelland
	King	Williams	Chabot
Sanford	Barrett	McCarthy	Hyndman
	Macdonald	Wolfe	

The Chairman further reported that on the motion that Vote 80 be reduced by \$290,175 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 the Hon. H. A. Curtis, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS—20

Mitchell	Lockstead	Lorimer	Lauk
Hanson	D'Arcy	Hall	Lea
Wallace	Skelly	Nicolson	King
Barber	Sanford	Cocke	
Brown		Dailly	
		Stupich	Macdonald
	Leggatt		

NAYS—27

Brummet	McGeer		Heinrich
Mussallem	Phillips	Ree	Smith
Segarty	Curtis	Richmond	Rogers
Strachan		Ritchie	McClelland
Davis	Gardom	Vander Zalm	Chabot
Kempf	Williams	Jordan	Hyndman
Nielsen	McCarthy	Hewitt	
Fraser	Wolfe		

The Chairman further reported that in consideration of Vote 80 the Committee had divided and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

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

YEAS — 47

Brummet	Mussallem	Segarty	
	Leggatt	Strachan	Ree
Mitchell	Lorimer	Davis	Richmond
Hanson	Hall	Kempf	Ritchie
Wallace	Nicolson	Nielsen	Vander Zalm
Barber	Cocke	Fraser	Jordan
Brown	Dailly	McGeer	Hewitt
	Stupich	Phillips	Heinrich
Lockstead	Lauk	Curtis	Smith
D'Arcy	Lea		Rogers
Skelly	King	Gardom	McClelland
		Williams	Chabot
Sanford		McCarthy	Hyndman
	Macdonald	Wolfe	

The Chairman further reported that on the motion that Vote 82 be reduced by \$1,999,009 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. *Stupich*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS—17

	Lockstead	Lorimer	Lauk
Mitchell	D'Arcy	Hall	Lea
	Skelly	Nicolson	King
Wallace		Cocke	
	Sanford	Dailly	
Brown		Stupich	Macdonald

NAYS—27

Brummet	McGeer		Heinrich
Mussallem	Phillips	Ree	Smith
Segarty	Curtis	Richmond	Rogers
Strachan		Ritchie	McClelland
Davis	Gardom	Vander Zalm	Chabot
Kempf	Williams	Jordan	Hyndman
Nielsen	McCarthy	Hewitt	
Fraser	Wolfe		

The Chairman further reported that in consideration of Vote 82 the Committee had divided and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

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

YEAS — 45

Brummet	Mussallem	Segarty	Ree
		Strachan	Richmond
Mitchell	Lorimer	Davis	Ritchie
	Hall	Kempf	Vander Zalm
Wallace	Nicolson	Nielsen	Jordan
	Cocke	Fraser	Hewitt
Brown	Dailly	McGeer	Heinrich
	Stupich	Phillips	Smith
Lockstead	Lauk	Curtis	Rogers
D'Arcy	Lea		McClelland
Skelly	King	Gardom	Chabot
		Williams	Hyndman
Sanford	Barrett	McCarthy	
	Macdonald	Wolfe	

The Chairman further reported that on the motion that Vote 83 be reduced by \$182,502 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. *Stupich*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS—19

	Lockstead	Lorimer	Lauk
Mitchell	D'Arcy	Hall	Lea
	Skelly	Nicolson	King
Wallace		Cocke	
	Sanford	Dailly	Barrett
Brown		Stupich	Macdonald
	Leggatt		

NAYS—26

Brummet			Heinrich
Mussallem	Phillips	Ree	Smith
Segarty	Curtis	Richmond	Rogers
Strachan		Ritchie	McClelland
Davis	Gardom	Vander Zalm	Chabot
Kempf	Williams	Jordan	Hyndman
Nielsen	McCarthy	Hewitt	
Fraser	Wolfe		

The Chairman further reported that in consideration of Vote 83 the Committee had divided and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

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

YEAS — 45

<i>Brummet</i>	<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Segarty</i>	
	<i>Leggatt</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Ree</i>
<i>Mitchell</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Davis</i>	<i>Richmond</i>
	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Ritchie</i>
<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>
	<i>Cocke</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Jordan</i>
<i>Brown</i>	<i>Dailly</i>		<i>Hewitt</i>
	<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Heinrich</i>
<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>Lauk</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>Lea</i>		<i>Rogers</i>
<i>Skelly</i>	<i>King</i>	<i>Gardom</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
		<i>Williams</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Sanford</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Hyndman</i>
	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>	

On the motion of the Hon. *G. B. Gardom*, the House adjourned at 11.56 a.m.

Tuesday, June 29, 1982

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Captain *A. Swan*.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *D. M. Phillips* (Minister of Industry and Small Business Development) made a ministerial statement relating to a petrochemical terminal at Prince Rupert.

Mr. *Lea* made a statement relating to the same matter.

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

HENRY P. BELL-IRVING
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 59) intituled *Court Order Interest Amendment Act, 1982* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
June 28, 1982.

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

Order for Committee of Supply called.

By leave, on the motion of the Hon. *G. B. Gardom*, the House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders."

Bill (No. 55) intituled *Wildlife Act* was committed, reported complete with amendments.

Bill as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

The Chairman further reported that he had ruled a proposed amendment to section 2 of Bill (No. 55) out of order in that it involved the expenditure of public funds, contrary to Standing Order 67.

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

YEAS—27

<i>Brummet</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Davidson</i>	<i>Heinrich</i>
<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Ree</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Segarty</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Richmond</i>	<i>Rogers</i>
<i>Strachan</i>			<i>McClelland</i>
<i>Davis</i>	<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Hyndman</i>
<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>	
<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>		

NAYS—20

	<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	
<i>Mitchell</i>	<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Lea</i>
<i>Hanson</i>	<i>Skelly</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Wallace</i>		<i>Cocke</i>	
<i>Barber</i>	<i>Sanford</i>	<i>Dailly</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Brown</i>		<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>
	<i>Leggatt</i>		

The Chairman further reported that in consideration of an amendment to section 7 of Bill (No. 55) 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. *Skelly*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS—27

<i>Brummet</i>	<i>McGeer</i>		<i>Heinrich</i>
<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Ree</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Segarty</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Richmond</i>	<i>Rogers</i>
<i>Strachan</i>		<i>Ritchie</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
<i>Davis</i>	<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Hyndman</i>
<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>	
<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>		

NAYS—20

	<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	
<i>Mitchell</i>	<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Lea</i>
<i>Hanson</i>	<i>Skelly</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Wallace</i>		<i>Cocke</i>	
<i>Barber</i>	<i>Sanford</i>	<i>Dailly</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Brown</i>		<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>
	<i>Leggatt</i>		

The Chairman further reported that in consideration of an amendment to section 8 of Bill (No. 55) 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. *Skelly*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS—18

	<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	
<i>Mitchell</i>	<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>Hall</i>	
<i>Hanson</i>	<i>Skelly</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Wallace</i>		<i>Cocke</i>	
<i>Barber</i>	<i>Sanford</i>	<i>Dailly</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Brown</i>		<i>Stupich</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>

NAYS—27

<i>Brummet</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Davidson</i>	<i>Heinrich</i>
<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Ree</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Segarty</i>	<i>Curtis</i>		<i>Rogers</i>
<i>Strachan</i>		<i>Ritchie</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
<i>Davis</i>	<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Hyndman</i>
<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>	
<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>		

The Chairman further reported that in consideration of an amendment to section 40 of Bill (No. 55) 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. *Barrett*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the said division be recorded as follows:

YEAS—19

	<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>	<i>Lauk</i>
<i>Mitchell</i>	<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Lea</i>
<i>Hanson</i>	<i>Skelly</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>King</i>
		<i>Cocke</i>	
<i>Barber</i>	<i>Sanford</i>	<i>Dailly</i>	<i>Barrett</i>
<i>Brown</i>			<i>Macdonald</i>
	<i>Leggatt</i>		

NAYS—27

<i>Brummet</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Davidson</i>	<i>Heinrich</i>
<i>Mussallem</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Ree</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Segarty</i>	<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Richmond</i>	<i>Rogers</i>
		<i>Ritchie</i>	<i>McClelland</i>
<i>Davis</i>	<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Vander Zalm</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Kempf</i>	<i>Williams</i>	<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Hyndman</i>
<i>Nielsen</i>	<i>McCarthy</i>	<i>Hewitt</i>	
<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Wolfe</i>		

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

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

The Hon. *H. A. Curtis* (Minister of Finance) tabled the Annual Report for the B.C. Systems Corporation, 1981-1982.

The Hon. *H. A. Curtis* (Minister of Finance) tabled the Report of the Auditor General for the British Columbia Educational Institutions Capital Financing Authority.

The Hon. *A. V. Fraser* (Minister of Transportation and Highways) tabled the Annual Report of the B.C. Ferry Corporation for the year ended March 31, 1982.

The Hon. *R. H. McClelland* (Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources) tabled the Annual Report of the B.C. Petroleum Corporation for the year ended March 31, 1982.

The Hon. *D. M. Phillips* made a ministerial statement relating to financial arrangements for North East Coal development.

Mr. *Leggatt* made a statement relating to the same matter.

14 Mr. *Howard* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:

1. What is the name of each member of the B.C. Assessment Authority?
2. Since April 1, 1981, has any member of the said Authority been paid any money as travelling expenses for travelling to and from meetings of the Authority and, if so, for each such member what was (a) the total amount so paid; (b) the point travelled from and the mode of travel for each such meeting; (c) the point travelled to and the mode of travel following each such meeting; and (d) if travelling was done by aircraft, for each such meeting, was such travelling done via (i) chartered aircraft, (ii) first class accommodation, or (iii) economy class accommodation?

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

18 Mrs. *Wallace* asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture and Food the following questions:

1. What was the total amount of premiums paid to the Government by producers under the beef Farm Income Assurance Program during the fiscal year ended (a) March 31, 1981 and (b) March 31, 1982?
2. What was the total amount paid out to beef producers under the Farm Income Assurance Program during the fiscal year ended (a) March 31, 1981 and (b) March 31, 1982?

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

"1. (a) During the fiscal year ended March 31, 1981: Premiums deducted from beef claims, \$1,227,898.19; advance premiums, \$1,183,428.50; totalling, \$2,411,326.69; and (b) during the fiscal year ended March 31, 1982: premiums deducted from beef claims and advance premiums, in process.

“2. (a) During the fiscal year ended March 31, 1981, \$1,228,380.05; and (b) during the fiscal year ended March 31, 1982, in process.”

37 Mr. *Stupich* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:

1. What was the total of cash and temporary investments held by the General Fund at March 31, 1982?
2. What specific investments comprised the total in No. 1, and for each, what was the rate of interest payable to the General Fund?

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

38 Mr. *Stupich* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:

1. For each of the special funds, what was the total of cash and temporary investments at March 31, 1982?
2. For each amount listed in reply to No. 1, what were the specific investments and what rate of interest was payable on the investment?

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

51 Ms. *Brown* asked the Hon. the Minister of Human Resources the following questions:

With reference to the comprehensive audit by the Auditor General of the Income Assistance Program—

1. What are the results of the pilot project launched by the Ministry in co-operation with the Auditor General to measure the reliability of control system now used in providing income assistance?
2. Has the report identified two audits of controls in the Ministry's existing electronic data processing systems which had been carried out by other government central agencies and if so, what are the names of the other agencies?
3. Has the Auditor General identified problems with recovery of moneys under cost-sharing agreements and if so, when will the recovery of moneys be complete?
4. Is the headquarters accounting procedures manual, which I understand would be completed by April 1981, now complete and available?
5. Has the Auditor General identified moneys which had been paid in error because of mistakes by employees or claimants and if so, what are the details of these moneys?
6. Regarding underpayments, what was the amount of underpayments to clients in the fiscal years 1980/81, 1981/82 and to date in 1982?

The Hon. *G. M. McCarthy* replied as follows:

“1. The pilot project was only designed to determine whether it was feasible to establish a quality control function that would measure the efficiency of the operation and thereby permit analysis of the cost effectiveness of the control systems. The conclusion was that it is feasible; however, no conclusion has been reached as to whether it would be cost effective.

“2. The internal audit groups of the Comptroller General's office and the B.C. Systems Corporation.

"3. Yes. Potential claims identified by the Auditor General resulting from older capital projects funded by the Ministry of Lands, Parks and Housing have been claimed in accordance with cost-sharing agreements.

"4. The headquarters accounting procedures manual has been completed and is available.

"5. No.

"6. The Ministry does not identify nor record underpayments."

On the motion of the Hon. *G. B. Gardom*, the House adjourned at 6.01 p.m.

Wednesday, June 30, 1982

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Father *J. Mott*.

On the motion of the Hon. *C. S. Rogers*, Bill (No. 61) intituled *Water Amendment Act, 1982* 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 "Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees."

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

REPORT NO. 4

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
June 30, 1982

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the preamble to Bill (No. Pr 403) intituled *An Act to Amend the Vancouver Stock Exchange Act* has been proved and the Bill ordered to be reported.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. B. STRACHAN, *Chairman*

The report was read and received.

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

Mr. Speaker delivered his reserved decision, as follows:

Honourable Members:

On Thursday last several points of order were raised from each side of the House with reference to the rules applicable to oral question period and their enforcement by the Chair. The Honourable Member for Coquitlam-Moody objected that some answers given were not relevant to the question asked; the Honourable Member for Mackenzie

objected to lengthy answers being given during the question period to questions taken on notice and the Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources objected to supplementary questions being asked with respect to a question taken on notice.

Other points of order relating to question period have been taken from time to time, notwithstanding that the Chair has given much guidance on points of order which recur with some frequency. The Journals of 1977 disclose the following comment from the Chair, which now bears repeating:

“My perusal of the Hansard reports of oral question period since its inception in this House clearly shows that very great latitude has been taken by honourable members both in the posing of questions and in the answers given thereto. The tenor of the points of order taken on Thursday last, when the Chair was asked to review oral questions, indicates to me that it is the view of many honourable members that there has been too much latitude and liberality of interpretation taken with reference to both questions and answers. Accordingly, the Chair can only respond by seeking the co-operation and adherence of honourable members to the numerous but explicit rules relating to oral question period.”

Honourable members, upon reading those rules, will readily see that their strict and meticulous application during oral question period would preclude the Chair from allowing the vast majority of questions and answers advanced in this House. Therefore, without some degree of latitude, constant intervention by the Chair would, in the absence of greater precision in framing questions and answers, lead to the total impoverishment of question period. Having said that, I must add that honourable members would be in error to ignore the rules and must not presume to constantly test the limits of any latitude extended by the Chair. If honourable members continue to transgress, the Chair will assist the orderly conduct of question period by intervening as frequently as necessary.

On the points of order now specifically before me, I refer honourable members to Sir Erskine May's 16th Edition, at page 363, relating to oral answers and supplementary questions, and I quote:

“An answer should be confined to the points contained in the question, with such explanation only as renders the answer intelligible, though a certain latitude is permitted to Ministers of the Crown”;

and,

“Supplementary questions, without debate or comment, may, within due limits, be addressed to them, which are necessary for the elucidation of the answers that they have given.”

Further, as a proper supplementary question seeks clarification or explanation of an answer already given, there cannot be a question supplementary to a question taken on notice.

The number of allowable supplementary questions is not fixed by any practice. So long as questions are properly supplemental and so long as other members are not unfairly deprived of an opportunity to participate in the question period, the Chair need not intervene to limit the number of supplementary questions.

Beauchesne's 5th Edition states as follows:

“The question must be brief. A preamble need not exceed one carefully drawn sentence. A long preamble on a long question takes an unfair share of time and provokes the same sort of reply. A supplementary question should need no preamble.”

The following statement of practice appears in Hansard of March 26, 1980, at page 1694:

“The practice of the House is this; it is acceptable during subsequent question periods to answer questions taken on notice; if the question requires a lengthy answer, it is the option of the minister to ask for leave to answer the question at a time other than question period, but this is only a courtesy and is at the option of the minister. If the question is of such a nature that it requires a lengthy answer, perhaps the best way is to have the answer on the order paper itself, as though the question had been a written question.”

And finally, the Chair ruled as follows on April 7, 1981:

“Lengthy answers to questions previously taken on notice would best be deferred until after question period so as to keep intact the time allotted. It is the opinion of the Chair, in accordance with the practice adopted in other jurisdictions, that points of order generally should not be raised at all during question period, but would more properly be deferred until the question period has been completed. In view of the authority vested in the Chair by the Sessional Order, it is very difficult to conceive of a valid point of order being raised which would require any significant time to deal with unless, of course, there were any disposition to improperly engage in protracted discussion of points of order with the Chair. It is my view that if the Chair itself has to interrupt question period for a significant period, any time so utilized ought to be restored, as determined by the Chair. Should any honourable member insist upon raising a point of order during oral question period rather than deferring the matter, without prejudice, until after question period, any extension of time ought best be left to the discretion of the Chair, with leave of the House, according to the circumstances.”

As honourable members have sought guidance from the Chair on the matters to which I have referred, I urge that members govern themselves accordingly.

H. W. SCHROEDER, *Speaker*

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

HENRY P. BELL-IRVING
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 58) intituled *Indian Cut-off Lands Disputes Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
June 24, 1982.

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

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

Bill (No. 53) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 1982* was 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.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.35 p.m.