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# CANADA: PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom, Canada and Her Other Realms and Territories, QUEEN, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith

To Our Faithful Members Elected to Serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of British Columbia, at Our City of Victoria — Greeting

#### A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS We are desirous and resolved, as soon as may be to meet Our People of Our Province of British Columbia, and to have their advice in Our Legislature;

Now Know YE, that for divers causes and considerations and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving subjects, We have thought fit to hereby convoke, and by these presents enjoin you, and each of you, that on Wednesday, the twenty-second day of March, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-five at two o'clock in the afternoon, you meet Us in Our said Legislature or Parliament, of Our said Province, at Our City of Victoria, FOR THE DISPATCH OF BUSINESS, to treat, do, act, and conclude upon those things which, in Our Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, by the Common Council of Our said Province may, by the favour of God, be ordained.

In TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of Our Province to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS, the Honourable DAVID C. LAM, Lieutenant Governor of Our Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our Province, this seventh of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ninety-five, and in the forty-fourth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

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# Wednesday, March 22, 1995

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Lieutenant(N) S. M. Merriman, Chaplain (P), CFB Esquimalt.

This being the first day of the fourth meeting of the Thirty-Fifth Parliament of the Province of British Columbia for the dispatch of business, pursuant to a Proclamation of the Honourable David C. Lam, Lieutenant Governor of the Province, dated the 7th day of March 1995, the members took their seats.

The Speaker made a statement regarding the retirement of the Honourable DAVID C. LAM, Lieutenant Governor of the Province.

The Honourable DAVID C. LAM, Lieutenant Governor of the Province, having entered the House, took his seat on the Throne, and was then pleased to deliver the following gracious Speech:

Honourable Speaker, Members of the Legislative Assembly, Ladies and Gentlemen:

It is with great pleasure that I address you on the opening of the Fourth Session of the Thirty-Fifth Parliament of British Columbia. In this, my last Speech from the Throne as your humble servant, I cannot help but reflect on the strength of our province, on the confidence we have in ourselves and our future. British Columbians should take great pride in what we are building together and where we're heading.

When other Canadians look to our province they are in awe of our magnificent land, inspired by our dynamic economy, the best in Canada. British Columbia is a beacon of hope and progress in a nation turned upside down by a damaging recession.

Nothing symbolizes our progress more than how our government and people have moved to bring peace to our woods, and found solutions with typical British Columbian spirit and vigour. Never before have so many people, from every walk of life, participated in the decisions about the future of our forests that so profoundly affect our lives. Grassroots democracy is very much a reality in our province in 1995. People having a say. Changes coming from the ground up. Changes for the better that bear the stamp: Made in British Columbia by British Columbians.

Such an open dialogue requires a government confident in the wisdom of the people it serves, that believes the frictions of debate are healthy and natural and not to be hidden. Only through that kind of debate can common ground be found, balance attained, and communities strengthened as they shape the changes we must make.

It is perhaps not the easiest way to run a government, but it is the fairest, the smartest, and the best.

So as a result, as I speak to you today, I speak of a province that leads the country in so many ways. Landmark environmental protection. Bold initiatives to renew our forests. Skills training the envy of the country. Health care second to none. And Canada's # 1 economy — with the strongest, most consistent growth, the most new jobs, the best credit rating, and the lowest per capita debt.

This government is determined to build on those achievements in the year ahead to keep our economy the nation's strongest, providing jobs and opportunities for British Columbians today and our children tomorrow. If we are to continue to lead the way in Canada and compete in a rapidly changing global economy, we cannot rest on our laurels, admiring our successes. But instead we must move forward aggressively, with confidence.

There are two opposing visions of how a government should move forward in a modern economy.

We can stop building infrastructure, cut public services, reduce wages and lower social standards in a race to the bottom to compete with less developed economies in attracting new jobs.

Or, we can invest in our strengths, in up-to-date skills, increase our productivity, add value to what we produce, in an effort to match the advanced economies of Japan and the European Community in attracting new jobs.

And so we are faced with a fundamental choice.

Some governments in Canada have opted for the first course, persuaded that the answer is to slash budgets, reduce real wages and services, and dismantle laws that protect working people and the environment.

British Columbia's government, though, believes that however fashionable this choice may be, and however harmless it appears in the short-term, the long-term economic costs would be devastating.

And it is ordinary, working people and their families who would pay the price.

So instead of engaging in a race to the bottom, we are choosing the second course, making affordable investments in our land, infrastructure and people, looking to the long-term and a destination of jobs and prosperity.

In our changing global economy, when data, capital, plants and products can move with the blink of an eye, governments must concentrate their efforts on those assets which are least mobile and where their economy's comparative advantages lie.

That's what we're doing.

Building on the Premier's three Summits — building on an unparalleled new partnership of business, labour and government in our province — we're moving forward this year with a strategy for jobs and investment in a modern economy.

Our B.C. strategy will centre on three key investments:

- Investment in our natural resources
- Investment in infrastructure
- Investment in people

Balance and security are at the heart of our strategy. Finding the balance between what we need to keep our economy the best in Canada and what we can afford. Securing jobs and economic opportunity for working people, their families, our businesses and communities.

### **INVESTING IN OUR NATURAL RESOURCES**

Nowhere are these values more important than in guiding investment in our natural resources. In the first three and a half years of this government, British Columbia has made truly dramatic progress in balancing jobs and our environment. We have moved from a seemingly intractable war in the woods to resolving problems long thought unresolvable. No longer are decisions left in the hands of the large resource companies alone. Working people, environmentalists, and communities now have a place at the table. And they've found common ground and common purpose in renewing our forests.

The Forest Renewal Plan, Forest Practices Code, and our land-use plans represent that common ground and the understanding that environmental stewardship and forest jobs can and must go hand in hand. B.C. will continue to lead the way by putting new stumpage dollars back into the forests and communities that created those dollars in the first place, by retraining workers, and ensuring certainty and security for our forest industry and communities.

This year, the government will take another giant step forward, moving to enshrine land use plans in law. Legislation will designate an unprecedented number of parks and secure our commercial forest land base.

Enshrining land use plans in law will include responsible stewardship of key waterways. In addition, we will take action during this Session to further protect British Columbia's fresh water, rivers and fish

Investing in our natural resources makes British Columbia one of the most inspiring places on earth in which to live and a source of great wealth, jobs and opportunity. Our economy prospers when our waters flow and our land is strong.

#### **INVESTING IN INFRASTRUCTURE**

While renewing our commitment to the land, this government is also moving aggressively to prepare for the 21st century. We're replacing many of the ferries, roads and schools built in the postwar period but since allowed to decline. We are building community infrastructure in the Lower Mainland where every year the population increases by 50,000, which is the equivalent to a city the size of New Westminster. And we will be moving aggressively to build the sophisticated information infrastructure of the future.

B.C.'s private sector understands how crucial a strong and modern infrastructure is to attracting new business investment and creating good secure jobs. A government's responsibility is to provide that foundation upon which jobs can grow. From the ground up. Business by business. Community by community.

Building on existing projects, we will be moving this year to strengthen the two kinds of highways upon which the next century's economy will depend. The transportation highway that moves commuters to work and goods to market. And the information highway — the communication networks that link us with each other and the world.

This government will be moving forward with a new transportation plan for British Columbia in the coming year, with particular emphasis on relieving congestion in the Lower Mainland and growing regions. This plan will be smarter because it will integrate roads, transit and ferries. It will be cleaner because it will give priority to public transit and emphasize environmental technologies. It will be innovative by drawing not just on private sector know-how but on private sector financial resources.

Securing British Columbia an on-ramp on the information highway is another key part of the government's infrastructure plan. Again in partnership with the private sector, we will be investing in technology, creating greater access to the highway for more people, and making sure British Columbians are poised to capture the new jobs of the information economy.

Through these investments in new infrastructure for a new century, British Columbia's government is laying the road for a future of jobs and prosperity.

#### **INVESTING IN PEOPLE**

To fill those jobs and ensure that prosperity, B.C. will need a highly-skilled workforce. Investing in our people, equipping them with the knowledge and skills they need to meet the global challenge, is fundamental to keeping our economy strong.

Building on the new University of Northern British Columbia and the new technological institute in the Fraser Valley, this government will be adding to the unparalleled expansion of 8,100 spaces in colleges and universities last year.

Successful partnerships with small and large businesses will be expanded in the coming year to retrain 18,000 working men and women on the job in the workplace. To match workers with local training opportunities, new Skills Centres will be opened to join the sixteen now established throughout our province.

Fundamental to this government is that every young person in our province feel valued. New steps will be taken in the coming months to move young people off welfare into jobs and job training. B.C.'s kids will get the helping hand they need to grow with our economy. Together, we will build British Columbia one dream at a time.

#### AFFORDABLE INVESTMENTS

All of these investments in our natural resources, infrastructure and people must be affordable. And this government is making sure they are affordable by building a strong fiscal foundation.

The banks and bondholders have signaled their approval of this government's record by giving us the best credit rating of any province in Canada. Our goals in the upcoming budget are:

- to maintain our top rating by further strengthening our record;
- to cut taxpayer supported debt as a percentage of the GDP from the current 20 per cent. This compares to the Alberta debt which stands at 37 per cent of the GDP, and the federal government debt which represents 75 per cent of the GDP; and
- to cut real government spending per capita without sacrificing Medicare, public education and other vital services that working families rely on.

#### **PROTECTING MEDICARE**

While further strengthening our economy, we cannot sacrifice what is so important to our quality of life.

This government is deeply troubled by the federal government retreat on Medicare. Ottawa, for all intents and purposes, has abandoned Medicare, disregarding its value to the fabric of our nation and the security of Canadians. Private interests are poised to take advantage of this to press for their profitmaking hospitals and clinics, where those with money can buy care, and those without are turned away.

Dark clouds of two-tier American health care loom on the Canadian horizon.

This government will stand in defence of Medicare. We believe that quality health care for <u>each</u> of us is founded on equality for <u>all</u> of us. We will not silently stand by and let Medicare disappear.

We are determined to build on our new cancer clinics, further shorten surgery waiting lists, move care closer to home, free communities to set their own priorities, promote preventative care, work to maintain our healthy workforce, and spend our health care dollars smarter.

In the face of the dismantling of Medicare by the federal government, British Columbia's government will take the action required to protect Medicare for each and every citizen of our province.

#### **PUTTING ORDINARY PEOPLE FIRST**

Honourable Speaker, those are the choices the government is making for the year ahead. Those choices reflect the values of ordinary British Columbians and a government that puts the interests of ordinary people first.

British Columbians work hard for a living. Their families deserve public services they can count on in their day to day lives, and a knowledge that government will extend a hand if they need it.

This government is here to serve those families. Its purpose in building a stronger economy is to ensure that more people are better off. Its obligation is to improving the quality of life of ordinary families whenever it can — creating and maintaining good family-supporting jobs, raising the minimum wage, improving childcare, making the workplace fairer, making housing more affordable, and protecting Medicare. Its commitment is to a British Columbia that is more than a marketplace, a place where people live and work, a place with a heart and a soul.

Together, the government and the people of British Columbia have shown what can be accomplished with hard work and a vision of a better future. Let us continue that work for our families, our children, and the generations to come.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

The Speaker reported that, in order to prevent mistakes, he had obtained a copy of His Honour's Speech.

On the motion of the Hon. C. Gabelmann (Attorney General), Bill (No.1) intituled An Act to Ensure the Supremacy of Parliament was introduced, read a first time, and Ordered to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of the Hon. G. Clark, seconded by Mr. Farrell-Collins and Mr. Hanson, it was Ordered —

That *Dale Lovick*, Member for Nanaimo Electoral District, be appointed Deputy Speaker for this Session of the Legislative Assembly.

On the motion of the Hon. G. Clark, seconded by Mr. Farrell-Collins and Mr. Hanson, it was Ordered —

That *Gretchen Brewin*, Member for Victoria-Beacon Hill Electoral District, be appointed Deputy Chair of the Committee of the Whole for this Session of the Legislative Assembly.

On the motion of the Hon. C. Gabelmann (Attorney General) it was Ordered —

That the Votes and Proceedings of this House be printed, being first perused by the Speaker, and that he do appoint the printing thereof, and that no person but such as he shall appoint do presume to print the same.

The Hon. *M. F. Harcourt* (Premier) moved that the Select Standing Committees of this House, for the present Session, be appointed for the following purposes:

- 1. Aboriginal Affairs;
- 2. Justice, Constitutional Affairs and Intergovernmental Relations;
- 3. Education, Culture and Multiculturalism;
- 4. Economic Development, Science, Labour, Training and Technology;
- 5. Environment and Tourism;
- 6. Finance, Crown Corporations and Government Services;
- 7. Health and Social Services:
- 8. Agriculture and Fisheries;
- 9. Forests, Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources;
- 10. Transportation, Municipal Affairs and Housing;
- 11. Women's Equality;
- 12. Public Accounts;
- 13. Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills;

which said Committees shall severally be empowered to examine and inquire into all such matters and things as shall be referred to them by this House, and to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon, with power to send for persons, papers and records, and that a Special Committee be appointed to prepare and report with all convenient speed lists of members to compose the above Select Standing Committees of this House under Standing Order 68 (1), the Committee to be composed of the Hon. *G. Clark* (Convener), the Hon. *J. MacPhail*, Messrs. *Dosanjh*, Janssen and *Schreck*, Ms. *Hammell*, and Ms. *O'Neill*, Messrs. *Gingell*, *Farrell-Collins* and *Hanson*.

Mr. *Mitchell* moved the following amendment:

That the Premier's motion be amended by adding the following words:

"and that the Annual Reports of all provincial crown corporations, when tabled in this Assembly, be automatically referred to the appropriate Select Standing Committee; and that the said committees be empowered to call before them the senior officers of each crown corporation for a detailed post-audit review of the period covered in the Annual Report."

The Speaker ruled the amendment out of order as it was beyond the scope of the motion.

Motion agreed to, on division.

And then the House adjourned at 2.57 p.m.

# Thursday, March 23, 1995

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Hanson.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Ms. Boone moved, seconded by Mr. Schreck —

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, in Session assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious Speech which Your Honour has addressed to us at the opening of the present Session.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 10.51 a.m.

# Thursday, March 23, 1995

Two o'clock P.M.

The Hon. *M. F. Harcourt* (Premier) made a ministerial statement regarding the Columbia Basin Accord and the establishment of the Columbia Basin Trust.

Mr. Campbell made a statement.

Mr. Neufeld made a statement.

Mr. Mitchell sought leave to make a statement.

Leave was not granted.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.59 p.m.

## **Friday, March 24, 1995**

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Fox.

Ms. *Brewin* requested that the Speaker convey the best wishes of the Legislative Assembly to Ms. Silken Laumann.

The Speaker advised that he would convey these wishes on behalf of the Legislative Assembly.

On the motion of Mr. *Streifel*, Bill (No. M 201) intituled *Dual Elected Office Prohibition Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Mr. *Schreck*, Bill (No. M 202) intituled *An Act to Promote the Reuse of Construction and Demolition Materials* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Ms. *Hammell*, Bill (No. M 203) intituled *An Act to Designate a Provincial Heritage Site at the Inaugural Plantation at Green Timbers* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Mr. *Krog*, Bill (No. M 204) intituled *Libel and Slander Amendment Act*, 1995 was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.30 p.m.

# **Monday, March 27, 1995**

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Ms. O'Neill.

The Hon. M. F. Harcourt (Premier) made a ministerial statement relating to B.C. Hydro's recent request for a proposal from independent power producers.

Mr. Campbell made a statement.

Mr. Weisgerber made a statement.

Mr. Wilson sought leave to make a statement.

Leave was not granted.

Mr. Serwa sought leave to make a statement.

Leave was not granted.

On the motion of Mr. *Mitchell*, Bill (No. M 205) intituled *Parliamentary Calendar Act*, 1995 was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Mr. *Mitchell*, Bill (No. M 206) intituled *Budget Presentation Act, 1995* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members".

The Hon. C. Gabelmann (Attorney General) tabled the following:

The Legal Services Society of British Columbia Annual Report, 1992-1993 and 1993-1994.

B.C. Liquor Distribution Branch Annual Report, 1994.

Report of the Prowse Commission of Inquiry on The Transfer of Daniel Michael Perrault to the New Haven Correctional Centre, The Honourable Madam Justice Jo-Ann E. Prowse, Commissioner, July 1994.

Report entitled Closing The Gap, Policing and the Community, The Recommendations; The Report Volume 1; The Report Volume 2; Sources Book; Commissioner, The Honourable Mr. Justice Wallace T. Oppal.

British Columbia Police Commission Annual Report, 1993/94.

Pacific Racing Association Annual Report for the year ended March 31, 1994.

The Hon. *J. MacPhail* (Minister of Social Services) tabled the Ministry of Social Services Annual Report, 1992/93.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day".

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Dr. T. Perry, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

## Tuesday, March 28, 1995

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Garden.

Mr. *Mitchell* rose on a matter of privilege relating to the release of budget information prior to the delivery of the budget speech.

The Hon. G. Clark made representations.

Ms. Tyabji made representations.

The Speaker cited Beauchesne's *Parliamentary Rules and Forms*, 6th edition, and ruled that the budget document is a state document. Budget secrecy is a political convention and, if breached, the matter does not involve a question of privilege.

Mr. Farrell-Collins asked leave, pursuant to Standing Order 35, to move adjournment of the House to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely: "the total lack of government security surrounding confidential information and the resulting crisis of confidence in this government."

The Hon. G. Clark made representations.

Mr. Weisgerber made representations.

Mr. Wilson made representations.

The Speaker gave his opinion that the matter was within the confines of Standing Order 35 and that in addition, the urgency of debate was demonstrated by the acceleration of the timing of the budget speech from 2 o'clock p.m. to 10 o'clock a.m.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion of the Hon. *E. Cull* (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) it was *Ordered* — That this House, at its next sitting, resolve itself for this Session into a Committee to consider the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

The Hon. E. Cull (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) presented:

The Report of the Comptroller General (Interim Financial Statements for the Ten Month Period Ending January 31, 1995) in accordance with section 8 (4) of the *Financial Administration Act*.

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

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Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith: Estimates — Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 1996; and

Supplement to the Estimates — Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 1996;

and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

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*Ordered*, that the Message, and the Estimates accompanying same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The Hon. *E. Cull* (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) moved, seconded by the Hon. *A. Charbonneau* (Minister of Education), "That the Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

A debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Gingell, adjourned until later today.

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

DAVID C. LAM
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith: Bills (Nos. 2, 3, 4 and 5) intituled:

Budget Measures Implementation Act, 1995;

*Grains and Oilseeds Revenue Protection Plan Trust Fund Act;* 

Grazing Enhancement Special Account Act; and

Securities Amendment Act, 1995;

and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 27, 1995.

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Bills introduced and read a first time.

Bill Ordered to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

And then the House adjourned at 11.35 a.m.

# Tuesday, March 28, 1995

Two o'clock P.M.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

By leave, Mr. Neufeld tabled a copy of a letter from Fort St. John General Hospital.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

78 Mr. Farrell-Collins moved "that the House adjourn to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, the total lack of government security surrounding confidential information and the resulting crisis of confidence in this government."

A debate arose.

The House returned to "Orders of the Day."

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That the Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

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

The Hon. A. Charbonneau advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

And then the House adjourned at 5.56 p.m.

# Wednesday, March 29, 1995

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Ms. Lord.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

By leave, Mr. *Serwa* presented a petition requesting a public inquiry with respect to the Nanaimo Commonwealth Holding Society.

Mr. *Beattie* presented a Report of the Special Committee to Appoint a Child, Youth and Family Advocate.

The Report was taken as read and received.

By leave of the House, Mr. Beattie moved that the Rules be suspended and the Report adopted.

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

By leave, Mr. Beattie moved —

That this House recommend to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor the appointment of Ms. Joyce Preston, as a Statutory Officer of the Legislative Assembly to exercise the powers and duties assigned to the Child, Youth and Family Advocate for the Province of British Columbia pursuant to the *Child, Youth and Family Advocacy Act*.

Motion agreed to unanimously.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That the Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.58 p.m.

# Thursday, March 30, 1995

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TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Krog.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

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

DAVID C. LAM
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No.6) intituled *Supply Act (No.* 1), 1995 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 27, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Pursuant to Standing Order 81, Bill permitted to be advanced all stages this day. The Speaker declared a short recess for distribution of the Bill.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No.6), a debate arose.

Bill (No.6) read a second time.

On the motion of the Hon. E. Cull, Bill (No.6) was referred to a Committee of the Whole House to be considered forthwith.

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

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 12 p.m.

# Thursday, March 30, 1995

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Two o'clock P.M.

The Hon. *M. F. Harcourt* (Premier) made a ministerial statement relating to the new National Centre for Advanced Wood Products Processing at the University of British Columbia.

Mr. Campbell made a statement.

Mr. Neufeld made a statement.

Mr. Wilson sought leave to make a statement.

Leave was not granted.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No.6) intituled *Supply Act* (No. 1), 1995 was again committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

# **Friday, March 31, 1995**

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Schreck.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

The Speaker declared a short recess.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor having entered the House, and being seated in the Chair — *E. George MacMinn*, Q.C., Clerk of the House, read the title to the following Bill: Bill (No.6) *Supply Act (No. 1)*, 1995.

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

The said assent was announced by *E. George MacMinn*, 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, accepts their benevolence, and assents to this Bill."

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

The House returned to "Private Members' Statements."

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That the Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

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

By leave, on the motion of Mr. *de Jong*, Bill (No. M207) intituled *Nanaimo Commonwealth Holding Society Public Inquiry 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.

And then the House adjourned at 11.45 a.m.

# Monday, April 3, 1995

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Anderson.

The Hon. G. Clark (Minister of Employment and Investment) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

David C. Lam Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 10) intituled *Mountain Resort Associations Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 31, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. G. Clark (Minister of Employment and Investment) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM *Lieutenant Governor* 

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No.8) intituled *Job Protection Amendment Act*, 1995 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 29, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill Ordered to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. G. Clark (Minister of Employment and Investment) tabled the following:

Science Council of British Columbia Activity Report, 1993/94;

B.C. Hydro Annual Report, 1993;

B.C. Hydro Annual Report, 1994;

British Columbia Buildings Corporation Annual Report, 1994; and

Ministry of Economic Development, Small Business and Trade Annual Report, 1992-93.

The Hon. *B. Barlee* (Minister of Small Business, Tourism and Culture) tabled the Ministry of Small Business, Tourism and Culture Annual Report, 1993-94.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That the Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.44 p.m.

# Tuesday, April 4, 1995

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TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Ms. Reid.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The Hon. G. Clark advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That the Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.49 a.m.

# Tuesday, April 4, 1995

Two o'clock P.M.

The Hon. *G. Clark* (Minister of Employment and Investment) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No.7) intituled *Columbia Basin Trust Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, March 29, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill Ordered to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *A. Edwards* (Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources) tabled the following: British Columbia Petroleum Corporation Annual Report, 1993-1994, and British Columbia Energy Council Annual Report, 1993/1994 and 1994/1995.

The Hon. *D. Marzari* (Minister of Municipal Affairs) tabled the following: British Columbia Assessment Authority Annual Report, 1993, and Assessment Appeal Board Annual Report, 1994.

Mr. *Dalton* presented a petition.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That the Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

#### **79** Mr. Warnke moved, seconded by Mr. Hurd —

"Be it resolved that the motion 'that the Speaker do now leave the Chair' for the House to go into Committee of Supply be amended by adding the following: 'But the House regrets that the government has again seen fit to siphon an additional \$1.2 billion dollars out of the pockets of current taxpayers of British Columbia who have been already taxed to capacity by the government; and furthermore, that by adding one billion dollars to the spiraling debt load, the budget ensures that more and more services in education, health and social services will be crowded out by exorbitant debt service costs."

Upon the Member for Richmond-Steveston failing to withdraw an unparliamentary expression, the Chair ordered him to withdraw from the House for the balance of the day's sitting.

The debate on the amendment continued.

The House divided.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:

Dalton Farrell-Collins Hurd Gingell	Stephens Hanson Serwa Mitchell	Tanner Jarvis Anderson	K. Jones M. de Jong Fox	
	Nays—35			
Sihota	Perry	MacPhail	Simpson	
Marzari	Hagen	Ramsey	Lord	
Pement	Dosanjh	Lovick	Boone	
Edwards	Hammell	Pullinger	Hartley	
Cashore	Giesbrecht	Janssen	Schreck	
Zirnhelt	Miller	Farnworth	Brewin	
Charbonneau	Smallwood	Conroy	Krog	
O^Neill	Harcourt	Doyle	Kasper	
Garden	Clark	Jackson	•	

The debate was resumed on the main motion.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.39 p.m.

### Wednesday, April 5, 1995

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. K. Jones.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members".

The Hon. A. Charbonneau (Minister of Education and Minister of Government Services and Responsible for Sports) tabled the British Columbia Systems Corporation Report, pursuant to the Financial Information Act, Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 1994.

The Hon. D. Miller (Minister of Skills, Training and Labour) tabled the Labour Relations Board Annual Report, 1994.

Mr. *Mitchell* advised the Chair of his intention to raise a matter of privilege, and by leave, tabled a document relating to the matter of privilege.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That the Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No.8) intituled *Job Protection Amendment Act*, 1995, a debate arose.

Bill (No.8) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for commital at the next sitting after today.

And then the House adjourned at 5.56 p.m.

# Thursday, April 6, 1995

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

The Clerk of the House informed the House of the unavoidable absence of the Speaker, whereupon Mr. *Lovick*, Deputy Speaker, took the Chair, pursuant to Standing Order 12.

Prayers by Mr. Dalton.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That the Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.52 a.m.

### Thursday, April 6, 1995

Two o'clock P.M.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *J. Pement* (Minister of Transportation and Highways) tabled the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia Annual Report, for the year ending December 31, 1994.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That the Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

	Yeas—30		
Priddy	B. Jones	Beattie	Lord
Edwards	Giesbrecht	Farnworth	Hartley
Cashore	Miller	Conroy	Lali
Charbonneau	Smallwood	Doyle	Schreck
O^Neill	Cull	Jackson	Copping
Garden	Pullinger	Simpson	Brewin
Dosanjh	Janssen	Streifel	Krog
Hammell	Randall		
		Nays—8	
~Dalton	Gingell	Serwa	Anderson
Farrell-Collins	Stephens	Jarvis	K. Jones

#### Friday, April 7, 1995

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TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

The Clerk of the House informed the House of the unavoidable absence of the Speaker, whereupon Mr. *Lovick*, Deputy Speaker, took the Chair, pursuant to Standing Order 12.

Prayers by Mr. Gingell.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

Upon a point of order being raised by the Member for Vancouver-Langara, the Deputy Speaker observed that the spirit of Standing Order 25 A and Private Members' Statements was best served by avoiding overtly partisan statements.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

#### 77 By leave, Mr. Warnke, seconded by Mr. Tanner, moved —

"We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, in Session assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious Speech which your Honour has addressed to us at the opening of the present Session," be amended by adding the following: "...but this assembly regrets that this government is not putting an end to the policies and the tax grabs that are hurting ordinary British Columbians; that this government in the 41 months that it has been in office has created a debt that has the fastest growing debt service costs of any province in Canada and, even now, in the Speech from the Throne, that this government refuses to take the steps necessary to cut spending and stop hiding from the citizens of this province the amount of waste it generates; and furthermore, that this government fails miserably again in outlining a responsible economic plan to ensure the future prosperity of ordinary British Columbians while it continues to overtax all working families and pour money into the mismanagement of education and health programs which deprive students, patients and other ordinary British Columbians of a future with real, sustainable jobs and services."

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

By leave, on the motion of the Hon. *P. Priddy*, it was *Ordered* that Monday be considered as Day 4, pursuant to Standing Order 45 A, for purposes of the amendment only.

And then the House adjourned at 11.47 a.m.

### **Monday, April 10, 1995**

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Weisgerber.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The Hon. E. Cull (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) tabled the following documents:

Eighteenth Annual Report of the business done in pursuance of the *Public Service Benefit Plan Act* for the year ended March 31, 1994;

The Annual Report of the business done in pursuance of the *Legislative Assembly Allowances and Pension Act, Part 2*, year ended March 31, 1994, and

Public Accounts of the Province of British Columbia for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1994.

By leave, the Hon. E. Cull (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) moved —

That the Public Accounts for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1994, be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. C. Gabelmann (Attorney General) tabled the following documents:

The 23rd Annual Report of the *Criminal Injury Compensation Act* of British Columbia, January 1-December 31, 1994, and

Ministry of Attorney General Annual Report, 93/94.

#### **80** The Hon. G. Clark moved —

Be it resolved that this House hereby authorizes the Committee of Supply for this Session to sit in two sections designated Section A and Section B; Section A to sit in such Committee Room as may be appointed from time to time, and Section B to sit in the Chamber of the Assembly, subject to the following rules:

- 1. The Standing Orders applicable to the Committee of the Whole House shall be applicable in both Sections of the Committee of Supply save and except that in Section A, a Minister may defer to a Deputy Minister to permit such Deputy to reply to a question put to the Minister.
- 2. Subject to paragraph 3, within one sitting day of the passage of this Motion, the House Leader of the Official Opposition may advise the Government House Leader, in writing, of three ministerial Estimates which the Official Opposition requires to be considered in Section B of the Committee of Supply, and upon receipt of such notice in writing, the Government House Leader shall confirm in writing that the said three ministerial Estimates shall be considered in Section B of the Committee of Supply.
- 3. All Estimates shall stand referred to Section A, save and except those Estimates which shall be referred to Section B under the provisions of paragraph 2 of this Order and such other Estimates as shall be referred to Section B on motion by the Government House Leader, which motion shall be governed by the provisions of Standing Order 60A. Practice Recommendation #6 relating to Consultation shall be applicable to this rule.
- 4. The Committee of Selection shall appoint 24 members for Section A, being 14 Members of the New Democratic Party, six Members of the Liberal Party, two Members of the B.C. Reform Party and two other Members. In addition, the Deputy Chair of the Committee of the Whole, or his or her nominee, shall preside over the debates in Section A. Substitution of Members will be permitted to Section A with the consent of that Member's Whip, where applicable, otherwise with the consent of the Member involved.

- 5. At thirty minutes prior to the ordinary time fixed for adjournment of the House, the Chair of Committee A will report to the House. In the event such report includes the last vote in a particular ministerial Estimate, after such report has been made to the House, the Government shall have a maximum of eight minutes, and the Official Opposition a maximum of five minutes, and all other Members (cumulatively) a maximum of three minutes to summarize the Committee debate on a particular ministerial Estimate completed, such summaries to be in the following order:
  - (1) Other Members;
  - (2) Official Opposition; and
  - (3) Government.
  - 6. Committee B shall be composed of all Members of the House.
  - 7. Divisions in Section A will be signalled by the ringing of the division bells four times.
- 8. Divisions in Section B will be signalled by the ringing of the division bells three times at which time proceedings in Section A will be suspended until completion of the division in Section B.
- 9. Section B is hereby authorized to consider Bills referred to Committee after second reading thereof and the Standing Orders applicable to Bills in Committee of the Whole shall be applicable to such Bills during consideration thereof in Section B, and for all purposes Section B shall be deemed to be a Committee of the Whole. Such referrals to Section B shall be made upon motion without notice by the Minister responsible for the Bill, and such motion shall be decided without amendment or debate. Practice Recommendation #6 relating to Consultation shall be applicable to all such referrals.
- 10. Bills or Estimates previously referred to a designated Committee may at any stage be subsequently referred to another designated Committee on motion of the Government House Leader or Minister responsible for the Bill as hereinbefore provided by Rule Nos. 3, 9 and 10.

By leave, the Hon. G. Clark moved an amendment to the motion as follows —

Be it resolved that the motion be amended by deleting paragraph 2 and substituting therefor the following:

"2. Subject to paragraph 3, within one sitting day of the passage of this Motion, the House Leader of the Official Opposition and the House Leader of the Third Party may jointly advise the Government House Leader, in writing, of three ministerial Estimates which the Official Opposition and the Third Party require to be considered in Section B of the Committee of Supply, and upon receipt of such notice in writing, the Government House Leader shall confirm in writing that the said three ministerial Estimates shall be considered in Section B of the Committee of Supply."

A debate arose.

The amendment was agreed to.

The debate was resumed on the main motion.

Motion, as amended, agreed to on division, and reads as follows —

Be it resolved that this House hereby authorizes the Committee of Supply for this Session to sit in two sections designated Section A and Section B; Section A to sit in such Committee Room as may be appointed from time to time, and Section B to sit in the Chamber of the Assembly, subject to the following rules:

- 1. The Standing Orders applicable to the Committee of the Whole House shall be applicable in both Sections of the Committee of Supply save and except that in Section A, a Minister may defer to a Deputy Minister to permit such Deputy to reply to a question put to the Minister.
- 2. Subject to paragraph 3, within one sitting day of the passage of this Motion, the House Leader of the Official Opposition and the House Leader of the Third Party may jointly advise the Government House Leader, in writing, of three ministerial Estimates which the Official Opposition and the Third Party require to be considered in Section B of the Committee of Supply, and upon receipt of such notice in writing, the Government House Leader shall confirm in writing that the said three ministerial Estimates shall be considered in Section B of the Committee of Supply.

- 3. All Estimates shall stand referred to Section A, save and except those Estimates which shall be referred to Section B under the provisions of paragraph 2 of this Order and such other Estimates as shall be referred to Section B on motion by the Government House Leader, which motion shall be governed by the provisions of Standing Order 60A. Practice Recommendation #6 relating to Consultation shall be applicable to this rule.
- 4. The Committee of Selection shall appoint 24 members for Section A, being 14 Members of the New Democratic Party, six Members of the Liberal Party, two Members of the B.C. Reform Party and two other Members. In addition, the Deputy Chair of the Committee of the Whole, or his or her nominee, shall preside over the debates in Section A. Substitution of Members will be permitted to Section A with the consent of that Member's Whip, where applicable, otherwise with the consent of the Member involved.
- 5. At thirty minutes prior to the ordinary time fixed for adjournment of the House, the Chair of Committee A will report to the House. In the event such report includes the last vote in a particular ministerial Estimate, after such report has been made to the House, the Government shall have a maximum of eight minutes, and the Official Opposition a maximum of five minutes, and all other Members (cumulatively) a maximum of three minutes to summarize the Committee debate on a particular ministerial Estimate completed, such summaries to be in the following order:
  - (1) Other Members;
  - (2) Official Opposition; and
  - (3) Government.
  - 6. Committee B shall be composed of all Members of the House.
  - 7. Divisions in Section A will be signalled by the ringing of the division bells four times.
- 8. Divisions in Section B will be signalled by the ringing of the division bells three times at which time proceedings in Section A will be suspended until completion of the division in Section B.
- 9. Section B is hereby authorized to consider Bills referred to Committee after second reading thereof and the Standing Orders applicable to Bills in Committee of the Whole shall be applicable to such Bills during consideration thereof in Section B, and for all purposes Section B shall be deemed to be a Committee of the Whole. Such referrals to Section B shall be made upon motion without notice by the Minister responsible for the Bill, and such motion shall be decided without amendment or debate. Practice Recommendation #6 relating to Consultation shall be applicable to all such referrals.
- 10. Bills or Estimates previously referred to a designated Committee may at any stage be subsequently referred to another designated Committee on motion of the Government House Leader or Minister responsible for the Bill as hereinbefore provided by Rule Nos. 3, 9 and 10.

By leave, on the motion of the Hon. *G. Clark*, it was *Ordered* that leave be given for the Special Committee of Selection to meet while the House is in session today.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate on the amendment continued.

The House divided.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:

Dalton	YEAS—17		
	Stephens	Tanner	K. Jones
Campbell	Weisgerber	Jarvis	Symons
Farrell-Collins	Hanson	Anderson	Fox
Hurd	Mitchell	Warnke	Neufeld
Gingell			

#### Nays—33

Sihota	B. Jones	Lovick	Streifel
Priddy	Lortie	Pullinger	Boone
Edwards	Smallwood	Janssen	Hartley
Zirnhelt	Cull	Randall	Lali
Charbonneau	Gabelmann	Beattie	Schreck
O^Neill	Clark	Jackson	Copping
Garden	MacPhail	Sawicki	Brewin
Perry	Dosanjh	Simpson	Kasper
Hammell	-	-	•

The debate was resumed on the main motion.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.38 p.m.

# Tuesday, April 11, 1995

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Neufeld.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The Hon. G. Clark advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

Bill (No.8) intituled Job Protection Amendment Act, 1995 was committed.

Motion that the Committee rise and report progress was defeated, on division.

Bill (No.8) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No.7) intituled *Columbia Basin Trust Act*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

By leave, the Hon. G. Clark presented the First Report of the Special Committee of Selection, which read as follows:

#### FIRST REPORT

Douglas Fir Committee Room,

Parliament Buildings,

April 10, 1995

#### HONOURABLE SPEAKER:

The Special Committee of Selection appointed on March 22, 1995, to prepare and report lists of members to compose the Select Standing Committees of this House for the present Session, begs leave to report that the following is the list of members to compose the Select Standing Committees for the present Session:

ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS — Mr. Beattie (Convener), Mmes. Boone, O'Neill, Mr. Jackson, Ms. Hagen, Messrs. Lali and Kasper and Messrs. Anderson, Jarvis, Warnke and Mr. Weisgerber.

Justice, Constitutional Affairs and Intergovernmental Relations — Mr. *Doyle* (Convener), Messrs. *B. Jones* and *Giesbrecht*, Mmes. *Hammell*, *Boone*, *Brewin* and Mr. *Jackson* and Messrs. *Dalton*, *de Jong*, *Warnke* and Mr. *Hanson*. Education, Culture and Multiculturalism — Ms. *O'Neill* (Convener), Messrs. *Giesbrecht*, *Lortie* and Ms. *Sawicki* and Dr. *Perry*, Messrs. *Conroy* and *B. Jones* and Messrs. *Anderson*, *Dalton* and Ms. *Stephens* and Mr. *Fox*.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, SCIENCE, LABOUR, TRAINING AND TECHNOLOGY — Mr. Farnworth (Convener), Ms. O'Neill and Messrs. Garden, Jackson, Simpson, Randall and Streifel and Messrs. Farrell-Collins, K. Jones and Ms. Reid and Mr. Hanson.

Environment and Tourism — Mr. Lortie (Convener), Mmes. Lord and Pullinger and Messrs. Garden, Giesbrecht and Dr. Perry and Mr. Krog and Messrs. de Jong, Farrell-Collins and Tanner and Mr. Neufeld.

FINANCE, CROWN CORPORATIONS AND GOVERNMENT SERVICES — Mr. Simpson (Convener), Mmes. Pullinger, Boone, Copping and Hammell and Messrs. Hartley and Kasper and Messrs. Farrell-Collins, K. Jones and Tanner and Mr. Hanson.

HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES — Mr. Randall (Convener), Mr. Schreck and Ms. Copping and Mr. Evans and Ms. Lord and Messrs. B. Jones and Conroy and Mr. Anderson and Ms. Reid and Mr. Symons and Mr. Fox.

AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES — Mr. Lali (Convener), Ms. Lord and Messrs. Conroy, Streifel, Evans, Hartley and Beattie and Messrs. de Jong, Symons and Hurd and Mr. Hanson.

Forests, Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources — Mr. *Garden* (Convener), Messrs. *Evans, Kasper, Giesbrecht, Streifel* and *Doyle* and Ms. *Pullinger* and Messrs. *Gingell, Hurd* and *Jarvis* and Mr. *Neufeld*.

TRANSPORTATION, MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS AND HOUSING — Mr. Hartley (Convener), Mmes. Sawicki and Brewin and Messrs. Farnworth, Jackson and Beattie and Ms. Pullinger and Messrs. Dalton, Hurd and Symons and Mr. Hanson.

Women's Equality — Ms. *Hammell* (Convener), Mr. *Lortie* and Mmes. *Brewin, Lord* and *Copping* and Mr. *Simpson* and Dr. *Perry* and Mr. *Jarvis* and Ms. *Stephens* and Mr. *Tanner* and Mr. *Neufeld*.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS — Mr. Gingell (Convener), Ms. Hagen and Messrs. Krog, Schreck, Farnworth and Beattie and Ms. Pullinger and Mr. Kasper and Mmes. Reid and Stephens and Mr. Fox.

PARLIAMENTARY REFORM, ETHICAL CONDUCT, STANDING ORDERS AND PRIVATE BILLS — Mr. Krog (Convener), Ms. Hammell and Messrs. Farnworth and B. Jones and Ms. Pullinger and Messrs. Schreck and Streifel and Messrs. Gingell, K. Jones and Warnke and Mr. Weisgerber.

Pursuant to an Order of the House of April 10, 1995, the Special Committee of Selection reports that the following is the list of permanent members to compose Committee of Supply Section A:The Minister whose Estimates are being considered in Section A, Mmes. *Hagen, O'Neill* and *Hammell* and Messrs. *B. Jones, Schreck, Beattie, Garden, Hartley* and *Evans* and Ms. *Pullinger* and Dr. *Perry* and Messrs. *Lortie* and *Krog* and Messrs. *K. Jones, Warnke* and *Dalton* and Ms. *Reid* and Messrs. *de Jong* and *Gingell* and Messrs. *Neufeld* and *Fox* and Ms. *Tyabji* and Mr. *Serwa*.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee.

HON. G. CLARK, CHAIR

By leave of the House, the Report was taken as read and received.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.48 a.m.

### Tuesday, April 11, 1995

Two o'clock P.M.

The Speaker made a statement regarding the passing of Candide Temple and stated that, with the approval of the House, he would convey to the family the condolences of Members of the Legislative Assembly.

The Hon. *B. Barlee* (Minister of Small Business, Tourism and Culture) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM *Lieutenant Governor* The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 14) intituled *Tourism Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

April 10, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. A. Petter (Minister of Forests) made a ministerial statement relating to the implementation of the Vancouver Island Land Use Plan.

Mr. Hurd made a statement.

Mr. Neufeld made a statement.

Mr. Wilson sought leave to make a statement.

Leave was not granted.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. E. Cull (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) tabled the following documents:

The Annual Report of the business done in pursuance of the *Pension (Teachers) Act*, year ended December 31, 1993, and

The Annual Report of the business done in pursuance of the *Pension (Municipal) Act*, year ended December 31, 1993.

Mr. Symons presented a petition regarding the humane treatment of veal calves.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No.7) intituled *Columbia Basin Trust Act*.

The debate continued.

On the motion of the Hon. A. Charbonneau, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.49 p.m.

### Wednesday, April 12, 1995

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Fox.

The Speaker declared a short recess.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor having entered the House, and being seated in the Chair — *E. George MacMinn*, Q.C., Clerk of the House, read the title to the following Bill:

Bill (No.8) Job Protection Amendment Act, 1995.

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

The said assent was announced by *E. George MacMinn*, Q.C., Clerk of the House, in the following words:

"In Her Majesty's name, His Honour the Lieutenant Governor does asent to this Bill."

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

The Hon. *B. Barlee* (Minister of Small Business, Tourism and Culture) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 12) intituled *Arts Council Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, April 10, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. *P. Ramsey* (Minister of Health and Minister Responsible for Seniors) made a ministerial statement relating to the meeting of provincial and territorial health ministers.

Ms. Reid made a statement.

Mr. Fox made a statement.

Mr. Wilson sought leave to make a statement.

Leave was not granted.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *E. Barnes* (Speaker) tabled the Auditor General 1994/95: Report 4 — Value-for-Money Audit — Ministry of Finance and Corporate Relations — Management of Government Debt.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

By leave, Ms. *Tyabji* presented a petition relating to the Lake Country District Municipality and the City of Kelowna.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

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And then the House adjourned at 5.44 p.m.

### Thursday, April 13, 1995

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Weisgerber.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

On the motion of the Hon. *J. MacPhail*, it was *Ordered* that the House at its rising stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. Tuesday next.

And then the House adjourned at 11.30 a.m.

### Tuesday, April 18, 1995

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Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Hon. J. Cashore.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Upon the Member for Fort Langley-Aldergrove disregarding a direction of the Chair to withdraw an unparliamentary expression, the Chair ordered him to withdraw from the House for the balance of the day's sitting.

The Hon. *J. MacPhail* (Minister of Social Services) tabled the Interim Report and Recommendations of Justice Thomas J. Gove, Commissioner, respecting Amendments to Child Protection Legislation.

The Hon. *E. Barnes* (Speaker) tabled the report and accompanying documentation of the Commissioner of Conflict of Interest regarding the matter of applications by the Member for Peace River South and Mr. Kim Emerson, respecting alleged contravention of provisions of the *Members' Conflict of Interest Act* by the Honourable Premier.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Small Business, Tourism and Culture).

(IN THE HOUSE)

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No.7) intituled *Columbia Basin Trust Act* .

The debate continued.

Bill (No.7) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for commital at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 10) intituled *Mountain Resort Associations Act*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 10) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for commital at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. G. Clark advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.52 p.m.

### Wednesday, April 19, 1995

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by the Hon. J. MacPhail.

The Hon. M. F. Harcourt (Premier) made a ministerial statement regarding British Columbia's rating on the World Wildlife Fund 94/95 Progress Report.

Mr. Campbell made a statement.

Mr. Weisgerber made a statement.

The Hon. *D. Marzari* (Minister of Municipal Affairs) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM *Lieutenant Governor* The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 11) intituled *Growth Strategies Statutes Amendment Act, 1995* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

April 10, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. Mitchell presented a petition regarding MLA benefits.

Mr. *Chisholm* presented a petition regarding the growing number of prisons located in the Chilliwack River Valley.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Small Business, Tourism and Culture).

(In the House)

Bill (No.7) intituled Columbia Basin Trust Act was committed.

Section 2 of Bill (No.7) passed, on division.

Mr. Wilson moved an amendment to section 4 of Bill (No.7) which was defeated on the following division:

		Yeas—16	
Dalton	Farrell-Collins	Wilson	Symons
Gingell	Hurd	Tyabji	K. Jones
Reid	Weisgerber	Tanner	Fox
Campbell	Hanson	Jarvis	Neufeld
		Nays—38	
Petter	Garden	Clark	Jackson
Sihota	Perry	MacPhail	Sawicki
Marzari	Hagen	Ramsey	Simpson
Pement	Hammell	Barlee	Lord
Priddy	B. Jones	Pullinger	Boone
Edwards	Lortie	Janssen	Hartley
Cashore	Giesbrecht	Evans	Lali
Zirnhelt	Miller	Farnworth	Schreck
Charbonneau	Smallwood	Doyle	Copping
O^Neill	Gahelmann		

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

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Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting. Committee to sit again at the next sitting. And then the House adjourned at 6.07 p.m.

# Thursday, April 20, 1995

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Janssen.

Mr. Mitchell presented a petition.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Small Business, Tourism and Culture).

(IN THE HOUSE)

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Bill (No.7) intituled *Columbia Basin Trust Act* was again committed.

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

(In Committee — Section A)

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Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

# Thursday, April 20, 1995

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Two o'clock P.M.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Small Business, Tourism and Culture followed by the Ministry of Women's Equality).

(In the House)

Bill (No.7) intituled *Columbia Basin Trust Act* was again committed.

The Chairman ruled that in the absence of amendment to the Bill, a proposed amendment to the preamble was not in order.

In consideration of the Preamble of Bill (No.7) the Committee divided as follows:

	Yeas—46		
Petter	Lortie	Reid	Anderson
Sihota	Giesbrecht	Campbell	Symons
Pement	Miller	Farrell-Collins	K. Jones
Priddy	Gabelmann	Hurd	de Jong
Edwards	Clark	Stephens	Warnke
Zirnhelt	Barlee	Chisholm	Boone
O^Neill	Pullinger	Wilson	Hartley
Garden	Janssen	Jackson	Lali
Perry	Evans	Simpson	Schreck
Hagen	Beattie	Lord	Krog
Hammell	Farnworth	Jarvis	Kasper
B. Jones	Dalton		
		Nays—2	
Hanson	Fox		

Bill (No.7) reported complete without amendment.

Bill (No.7) to be read a third time at the next sitting.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Attorney General).

(In Committee)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

- 51. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$356,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Small Business, Tourism and Culture, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1996.
- 52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$126,536,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Small Business, Tourism and Culture, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1996.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

By agreement, summary debate of estimates passed in Section A (Ministry of Small Business, Tourism and Culture) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

### **Friday, April 21, 1995**

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Schreck.

The Hon. A. Petter tabled the 1994 Forest, Range and Recreation Resource Analysis.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Attorney General).

(In Committee — Section B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 12.49 p.m.

# **Monday, April 24, 1995**

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Warnke.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

By leave, Mr. Wilson tabled a copy of a letter referred to during Oral Question Period.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Women's Equality).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Attorney General).

(In Committee)

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Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

- 57. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$373,020 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Women's Equality, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1996.
- 58. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$212,159,980 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Women's Equality, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1996.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

By agreement, summary debate of estimates passed in Section A (Ministry of Women's Equality) to be considered at the next sitting.

By leave, the Hon. C. Gabelmann (Attorney General) moved —

That the following Reports of the Auditor General of British Columbia be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts:

1994/95: Report 1 — Value for Money Audits — Purchasing in School Districts.

1994/95: Report 2 — Value for Money Audit — Provincial Agricultural Land Commission.

1994/95: Report 3 — Report on the 1993/94 Public Accounts, Province of British Columbia.

1994/95: Report 4 — Value for Money Audit — Ministry of Finance and Corporate Relations — Management of Government Debt.

Motion agreed to.

And then the House adjourned at 5.49 p.m.

# Tuesday, April 25, 1995

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Ms. Stephens.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Education).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Attorney General).

(In Committee)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Hon. C. Gabelmann advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

And then the House adjourned at 11.57 a.m.

# Tuesday, April 25, 1995

Two o'clock P.M.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. Hurd presented a petition regarding recent changes to the Adoption Act.

Mr. Dalton presented a petition.

The Hon. *D. Miller* (Minister of Skills, Training and Labour) tabled the Workers' Compensation Board of British Columbia Annual Report, 1994, together with a document entitled Statistics ^94.

The Hon. *D. Zirnhelt* (Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food) tabled the Provincial Agricultural Land Commission Annual Report for the year ended March 31, 1994.

Mr. Wilson presented a petition.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Education).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Attorney General).

(IN COMMITTEE)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting. Committee to sit again at the next sitting. Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting. Committee to sit again at the next sitting. And then the House adjourned at 5.58 p.m.

# Wednesday, April 26, 1995

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Hurd.

On the motion of Ms. *Lord*, Bill (No. M208) intituled *Community Land Trust Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

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

Garde B. Gardom

Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 15) intituled *Real Estate Amendment Act,* 1995 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

April 26, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill Ordered to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. E. Cull (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) tabled the following:

Report of Guarantees and Indemnities Authorized and Issued by Treasury Board or the Lieutenant Governor in Council for the Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 1994;

Statement of Crown Proceeding Payments, for the Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 1994, pursuant to the *Crown Proceeding Act*; and

Statement of Unclaimed Money Deposits pursuant to the *Unclaimed Money Act*, for the Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 1994.

Mr. Farnworth presented a petition.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Education).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Attorney General).

(In Committee — Section B)

- 17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$424,063 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Attorney General, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1996.
- 18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$781,489,552 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Attorney General, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1996.
- 19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Attorney General, Statutory Services, to 31st March 1996.
- 20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$34,799,720 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Attorney General, Judiciary, to 31st March 1996.
- 21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$993,076 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Attorney General, Emergency Assistance, to 31st March 1996.

Section B of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(In the House)

The House proceeded to "Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice."

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No.2) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act*, 1995, a debate arose.

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

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.55 p.m.

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### Thursday, April 27, 1995

Ten o'clock a.m.

Prayers by Mr. K. Jones.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Education).

(In The House)

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 11) intituled *Growth Strategies Statutes Amendment Act*, 1995, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.52 a.m.

# Thursday, April 27, 1995

Two o'clock P.M.

The Hon. *M. Sihota* (Minister of Environment, Lands and Parks and Minister Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM *Lieutenant Governor* 

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No.9) intituled *Water Protection Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, April 10, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. Neufeld presented a petition.

Mr. Anderson presented a petition.

Mr. de Jong presented a petition regarding recent changes with respect to the Adoption Act.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Education).

(In The House)

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The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 11) intituled *Growth Strategies Statutes Amendment Act*, 1995.

The debate continued.

Bill (No. 11) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

(In Committee — Section A)

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Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

By leave, it was Ordered that a Notice of Member's Statement be received from Mr. Chisholm.

And then the House adjourned at 5.57 p.m.

### **Friday, April 28, 1995**

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

The Law Clerk and Clerk Assistant of the House informed the House of the unavoidable absence of the Speaker, whereupon Mr. *Lovick*, Deputy Speaker, took the Chair, pursuant to Standing Order 12.

Prayers by Mr. Gingell.

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Mr. *Streifel* made a statement on behalf of the Hon. *D. Miller* (Minister of Skills, Training and Labour), recognizing April 28, 1995, as a day of mourning for workers killed or injured on the job in British Columbia, and requested that the House observe a minute of silence.

Mr. Warnke made a statement.

The House observed a minute of silence.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs).

(In Committee — Section B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 12.22 p.m.

# **Monday, May 1, 1995**

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Serwa.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Education).

(In the House)

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No.2) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 1995*.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

Priddy	Giesbrecht	Janssen	Simpson
Charbonneau	Miller	Beattie	Streifel
Garden	Cull	Farnworth	Lali
Hagen	Harcourt	Conroy	Schreck
Hammell	Clark	Doyle	Copping
B. Jones	MacPhail	Jackson	Brewin
Lortie	Barlee	Sawicki	Kasper
		Nays—11	
Dalton	Hurd	Jarvis	Warnke
Gingell	Stephens	Anderson	Neufeld
Reid	Wilson	Symons	-

Bill (No.2) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for commital at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 14) intituled *Tourism Act*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 14) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for commital at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 12) intituled Arts Council Act, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 12) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for commital at the next sitting after today.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.55 p.m.

# **Tuesday, May 2, 1995**

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TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Chisholm.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Education).

#### (IN THE HOUSE)

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No.5) intituled *Securities Amendment Act*, 1995, a debate arose.

Bill (No.5) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for commital at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 10) intituled *Mountain Resort Associations Act* was committed and reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 12) intituled Arts Council Act was committed.

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.55 a.m.

# **Tuesday, May 2, 1995**

Two o'clock P.M.

The Hon. A. Edwards (Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

DAVID C. LAM *Lieutenant Governor* 

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 13) intituled *Mineral Tenure Amendment Act*, 1995 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

April 10, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *M. Sihota* (Minister of Environment, Lands and Parks and Minister Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights) tabled the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks Annual Report, 1992-1993.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Education followed by the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks and Ministry Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights).

(In the House)

Bill (No. 12) intituled Arts Council Act was again committed.

Mr. Farrell-Collins moved a proposed amendment to section 4 of Bill (No. 12) which was defeated, on division.

Bill (No. 12) was reported complete with amendment.

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

Bill (No. 14) intituled *Tourism Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No.2) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 1995*, was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 15) intituled *Real Estate Amendment Act*, 1995, a debate arose.

The House divided.

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

Petter	Yeas—46		
	Smallwood	Farnworth	Streifel
Sihota	Cull	Doyle	Symons
Priddy	Harcourt	Gingell	Warnke
Edwards	Gabelmann	Reid	Fox
Cashore	Clark	Farrell-Collins	Boone
Charbonneau	MacPhail	Hurd	Hartley
Garden	Ramsey	Serwa	Lali
Perry	Barlee	Mitchell	Schreck
Hagen	Dosanjh	Chisholm	Brewin
Hammell	Lovick	Jackson	Krog
Giesbrecht	Pullinger	Simpson	Kasper
Miller	Janssen	•	1

Bill (No. 15) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. *C. Gabelmann* (Attorney General) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

Garde B. Gardom
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 17) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act*, 1995 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, April 26, 1995 Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs).

(In Committee)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

- 22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$410,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Education, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1996.
- 23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,989,494,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Education, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1996.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the Estimates of the Ministry of Education.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

By agreement, summary debate of Estimates passed in Section A (Ministry of Education) to be considered at the next sitting.

The Hon. J. Cashore advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

And then the House adjourned at 5.52 p.m.

# Wednesday, May 3, 1995

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by the Hon. E. Barnes.

The Hon. A. Petter (Minister of Forests) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

Garde B. Gardom
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 18) intituled *Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Amendment Act*, 1995 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

April 26, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill Ordered to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks and Ministry Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs).

(IN COMMITTEE)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.09 p.m.

# Thursday, May 4, 1995

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by the Hon. E. Barnes.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs).

(In Committee)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.41 a.m.

# Thursday, May 4, 1995

Two o'clock P.M.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *P. Priddy* (Minister of Women's Equality) made a ministerial statement regarding Child Care Month.

Ms. Reid made a statement.

Mr. Fox made a statement.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs).

(IN COMMITTEE)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

By leave, it was Ordered that a Notice of Member's Statement be received from Mr. Wilson.

And then the House adjourned at 5.45 p.m.

### **Friday May 5, 1995**

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TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Lovick.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs).

(In Committee — Section B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.50 a.m.

# **Monday, May 8, 1995**

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Reverend Henry Silvester, C.D.

The Hon. M. F. Harcourt (Premier) made a statement regarding the passing of Mark Krasnick.

Mr. Farrell-Collins made a statement.

The Hon. J. Cashore (Minister of Aboriginal Affairs) made a statement.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 12) intituled Arts Council Act was read a third time and passed.

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No.7) intituled *Columbia Basin Trust Act*, the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

	YEAS—58		
Pement	Smallwood	Dalton	Tanner
Edwards	Harcourt	Gingell	Jarvis
Cashore	Clark	Farrell-Collins	Anderson
Zirnhelt	MacPhail	Hurd	Symons
Charbonneau	Ramsey	Stephens	K. Jones
O^Neill	Barlee	Hanson	de Jong
Garden	Lovick	Mitchell	Warnke
Perry	Pullinger	Chisholm	Fox
Hagen	Sihota	Wilson	Hartley
Kasper	Evans	Tyabji	Lali
Hammell	Randall	Šawicki	Schreck
B. Jones	Beattie	Simpson	Copping
Lortie	Farnworth	Streifel	Brewin
Giesbrecht	Conroy	Lorď	Krog
Miller	Janssen		O

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Bill (No.7) was read a third time and passed.

#### **85** The Hon. *M. F. Harcourt* moved —

Be it resolved that this House, in celebration of the 50th anniversary of VE Day, express on behalf of all British Columbians our deepest thanks for the sacrifices of those Canadians who joined the forces as well as those who supported the war effort in the home, factory and school and further, this House calls on the present generation to honour the example of those who sacrificed by finding ways of becoming more involved in the ongoing struggle for world peace and social justice.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

By leave, Mr. Hurd tabled a list of Canadians on Radar in South East Asia: 1941-1945.

The debate continued.

The House observed a minute of silence.

Motion agreed to.

And then the House adjourned at 6.10 p.m.

### **Tuesday, May 9, 1995**

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Krog.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services). (IN THE HOUSE)

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No.3) intituled *Grains and Oilseeds Revenue Protection Plan Trust Fund Act*, a debate arose.

Bill (No.3) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No.4) intituled *Grazing Enhancement Special Account Act*, a debate arose.

Bill (No.4) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 13) intituled *Mineral Tenure Amendment Act, 1995*, a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

Petter	Yeas—43		
	Hagen	Ramsey	Lord
Dosanjh	Kasper	Pullinger	Tanner
Marzari	Hammell	Sihota	Jarvis
Pement	B. Jones	Evans	Anderson
Edwards	Lortie	Beattie	Boone
Cashore	Giesbrecht	Farnworth	Hartley
Zirnhelt	Miller	Conroy	Schreck
Charbonneau	Smallwood	Janssen	Copping
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Garden	Gabelmann	Jackson	Krog
Perry	Clark	Sawicki	

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Hanson Mitchell Tyabji Neufeld
Serwa Wilson Fox

Bill (No. 13) 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. 11) intituled Growth Strategies Statutes Amendment Act, 1995, was committed.

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

# **Tuesday, May 9, 1995**

Two o'clock P.M.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services).

(IN THE HOUSE)

Bill (No. 11) intituled Growth Strategies Statutes Amendment Act, 1995, was again committed.

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

(In Committee — Section A)

- 44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$360,624 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1996.
- 45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$104,704,376 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1996.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the Estimates of the Ministry of Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

By agreement, summary debate of Estimates passed in Section A (Ministry of Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services) to be considered at the next sitting.

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The Hon. A. Charbonneau advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

And then the House adjourned at 5.56 p.m.

### Wednesday, May 10, 1995

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. B. Jones.

The Hon. *C. Gabelmann* (Attorney General) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

Garde B. Gardom
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 16) intituled *Class Proceedings Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 5, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill Ordered to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. D. Marzari (Minister of Municipal Affairs) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

Garde B. Gardom
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 19) intituled *Home Owner Grant Amendment Act*, 1995 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

Campbell

April 27, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today. Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources).

(IN THE HOUSE)

Bill (No. 11) intituled Growth Strategies Statutes Amendment Act, 1995, was again committed.

In consideration of a proposed amendment by Mr. *Tanner* on the Order Paper to section 942.15 (1) (c) of Bill (No. 11), the Committee divided.

The amendment was defeated on the following division:

Tanner

Dalton Gingell	Yeas—14		
	Farrell-Collins	Jarvis	K. Jones
	Hurd	Anderson	de Jong
Reid	Stephens	Symons	Warnke

#### Nays—45

B. Jones Pullinger Wilson Dosanjh Marzari Lortie Evans Tyabji Pement Giesbrecht Randall Jackson Edwards Miller Beattie Sawicki Zirnhelt Smallwood Farnworth Simpson Charbonneau Cull Doyle Fox O^Neill Gabelmann Janssen Neufeld Garden Clark Hanson Lali *MacPhail* Schreck Perry Serwa Mitchell Hagen Ramsey Copping Barlee Chisholm Kasper Krog Hammell

Bill (No. 11) was reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed, on division.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.55 p.m.

# **Thursday, May 11, 1995**

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Evans.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day." Order for Committee of Supply called Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources).

(IN THE HOUSE)

Bill (No. 15) intituled *Real Estate Amendment Act, 1995*, was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.Bill (No.5) intituled *Securities Amendment Act, 1995*, was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.50 a.m.

### **Thursday, May 11, 1995**

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Two o'clock P.M.

The Hon. *P. Ramsey* (Minister of Health and Minister Responsible for Seniors) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

Garde B. Gardom
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 21) intituled *Tobacco Sales Amendment Act*, 1995 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 10, 1995.

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Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. *J. MacPhail* (Minister of Social Services) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

Garde B. Gardom
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 20) intituled *Guaranteed Available Income* for Need Amendment Act, 1995 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

April 27, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today. Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *C. Gabelmann* (Attorney General) tabled the Report of the 1995 Judicial Compensation Committee of British Columbia.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs).

(IN COMMITTEE)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.43 p.m.

#### Friday, May 12, 1995

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Ms. Brewin.

The Hon. A. Charbonneau (Minister of Education) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

Garde B. Gardom
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 23) intituled *Education Statutes Amendment Act*, 1995 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 10, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill Ordered to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. E. Cull (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations and Minister of Environment, Lands and Parks) tabled the Annual Report of the Business Done in Pursuance of the Pension (Public Service) Act, for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1994.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

By leave, Mr. de Jong presented a petition.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Social Services).

(In Committee — Section B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.46 a.m.

#### Monday, May 15, 1995

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Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Symons.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *J. Smallwood* (Minister of Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services) tabled the British Columbia Housing Management Commission Annual Report for the period January 1, 1993 to March 31, 1994.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Skills, Training and Labour).

(IN THE HOUSE)

Bill (No.3) intituled *Grains and Oilseeds Revenue Protection Plan Trust Fund Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No.4) intituled *Grazing Enhancement Special Account Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 19) intituled *Home Owner Grant Amendment Act*, 1995, a debate arose.

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No.9) intituled *Water Protection Act*, a debate arose.

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

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.52 p.m.

#### **Tuesday, May 16, 1995**

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Ms. Stephens.

Mr. *Hurd* asked leave, pursuant to Standing Order 35, to move adjournment of the House to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, the withdrawal of Bonneville Power Administration from the Columbia River Treaty.

The Hon. *P. Ramsey* made representations.

Mr. Weisgerber made representations.

Mr. Wilson made representations.

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

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Health and Ministry Responsible for Seniors).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs).

(In Committee)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.51 a.m.

# **Tuesday, May 16, 1995**

Two o'clock P.M.

The Hon. D. Zirnhelt (Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

Garde B. Gardom
Lieutenant Governor

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

Government House,

May 10, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Speaker delivered his reserved opinion as follows:

Honourable Members:

This morning, the Honourable Member for Surrey-White Rock informed the House of his intention to move an adjournment motion pursuant to Standing Order 35 to debate a matter of urgent public importance, namely the withdrawal of Bonneville Power from the Columbia River Treaty.

Since this morning, the Chair has had the opportunity to give the matter some consideration in light of the Member's comments and the representations of other Members.

Certainly the Chair recognizes that the collapse of this agreement is a most serious and important matter which impacts the Province of British Columbia. In dealing with issues raised under Standing Order 35, the Chair must consider a number of guidelines set out in Standing Order 35 as interpreted by the established practice of this House in previous years. Among other provisions, the standing order states that the Chair must consider whether the matter would "anticipate a matter which has been previously appointed for consideration by the House...." Hence, a key question that the Chair must determine is whether there is a probability of the matter being brought before the House within a reasonable time by other means.

In his submission to the House this morning, the Member for Surrey-White Rock referred to the financial loss that Bonneville Power's decision would have on this year's budget and also stated that the decision and I quote "calls into serious question the veracity of the very debate on spending estimates in this Chamber". The Member relates the question which he raises to the Estimates debate. Indeed, I remind Members that the Estimates, which have been referred by order of the House to the Committee of Supply, offer Members a clear venue to discuss questions such as that raised by the Honourable Member.

I conclude that the Honourable Member's application cannot succeed as I note that a parliamentary opportunity is at hand through the vehicle of the Estimates. A number of applications of this particular restriction are found in the *Journals* of this House and I refer Members to *Journals*, April 26, 1989, p. 53; *Journals*, June 21, 1991, p. 54; *Journals*, April 26, 1993, p. 46; *Journals*, April 27, 1993, p. 48; and *Journals*, April 21, 1994, p. 57.

For these reasons, I find that the matter raised does not meet the requirements of Standing Order 35 and I must rule accordingly.

EMERY O. BARNES, Speaker

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Ms. *Boone* presented a petition.

The Hon. *J. Pement* (Minister of Transportation and Highways) tabled the Ministry of Transportation and Highways Annual Report, 1993-94.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Health and Ministry Responsible for Seniors).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs).

(IN COMMITTEE)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Hon. J. Cashore moved that the House at its rising stand adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. tomorrow.

And then the House adjourned at 5.48 p.m.

# Wednesday, May 17, 1995

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Anderson.

The Hon. G. Clark sought leave to move a motion.

Leave not granted.

And then the House adjourned at 10.05 a.m.

## Wednesday, May 17, 1995

Two o'clock P.M.

The Hon. *J. Pement* (Minister of Transportation and Highways) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

Garde B. Gardom

Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 25) intituled *Motor Vehicle Amendment Act*, 1995 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 15, 1995.

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

The Hon. *C. Gabelmann* (Attorney General) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

Garde B. Gardom
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 24) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No.* 2), 1995 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 11, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. G. Clark advised the House of the scheduling of House business for tomorrow.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. Campbell sought leave to move a motion without notice relating to the Bonneville Power Administration.

Leave not granted.

Mr. *Farrell-Collins* asked leave, pursuant to Standing Order 35, to move adjournment of the House to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, the withdrawal of Bonneville Power Administration from the Columbia River Treaty.

The Hon. G. Clark made representations.

Mr. Weisgerber made representations.

Mr. *Hurd* made representations.

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

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Health and Ministry Responsible for Seniors).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs).

(In Committee)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Speaker delivered his reserved opinion as follows:

Honourable Members:

This morning, the Honourable the Official Opposition House Leader sent the Speaker a written notice of his intention to move an adjournment motion pursuant to Standing Order 35, to debate a matter of urgent public importance, namely, the withdrawal of the Bonneville Power Administration from the Columbia River Treaty.

The Chair has given serious consideration to the Honourable Member's Notice and his submission to the House under Standing Order 35. I conclude that the matter raised by the Honourable Member is identical to that raised by the Member for Surrey-White Rock yesterday in his submission to move an adjournment motion pursuant to Standing Order 35.

For the reasons outlined yesterday in my ruling on the same matter, I find that the Member's application cannot succeed.

Moreover, I refer Members to Standing Order 35 10 (d) which clearly provides that "the motion must not anticipate a matter which has been previously appointed for consideration by the House, or with respect to which a notice of motion has been previously given and not withdrawn;". The House is reminded that motion number 87, which appears under Notice of Motions in the Votes and Proceedings dated May 16, 1995, deals with the withdrawal of the Bonneville Power Administration from the Columbia River Treaty, the same subject matter as that which the Member for Fort Langley-Aldergrove proposes to raise under Standing Order 35.

The Member's proposal under Standing Order 35 seeks to anticipate a matter on which a Notice of Motion has been given.

Therefore, on all of these grounds I find that the matter raised does not meet the requirements of Standing Order 35.

EMERY O. BARNES, Speaker

And then the House adjourned at 5.48 p.m.

# **Thursday May 18, 1995**

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Warnke.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

#### **87** The Hon. *M. F. Harcourt* moved —

Be it resolved that this House condemn the American Bonneville Power Administration for breaking a solemn commitment on the delivery and disposition of the Canadian entitlement under the Columbia River Treaty.

A debate arose.

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The Hon. *E. Barnes* (Speaker) tabled the Auditor General's report of May 1995 entitled A Review of Contracts Between NOW Communications Group Inc. and the Government of British Columbia.

The debate continued.

Mr. Campbell moved an amendment to the motion.

The debate on the amendment continued.

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

On the motion of the Hon. G. Clark, it was Ordered that the House do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. Tuesday next.

And then the House adjourned at 12.34 p.m.

## **Tuesday, May 23, 1995**

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Weisgerber.

The Hon. *P. Ramsey* (Minister of Health and Minister Responsible for Seniors) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

Garde B. Gardom
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 27) intituled *Pharmacists, Pharmacy Operations and Drug Scheduling Amendment Act, 1995* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, May 15, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill *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, Mr. Chisholm tabled a copy of a document referred to during Oral Question Period.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Mr. Warnke rose on a point of order with respect to the calling of House business.

The Hon. J. MacPhail made representations.

Mr. Farrell-Collins made representations.

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

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Health and Ministry Responsible for Seniors).

(IN THE HOUSE)

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to Motion 87.

The debate on the amendment continued.

The House divided.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:

		Yeas—15	
Dalton	Farrell-Collins	Tanner	K. Jones
Gingell	Hurd	Jarvis	de Jong
Reid	Stephens	Anderson	Warnke
Campbell	Serwa	Symons	
		Nays—41	
Petter	Miller	Farnworth	Simpson
Marzari	Smallwood	Conroy	Streifel
Pement	Harcourt	Doyle	Lord
Cashore	Gabelmann	Janssen	Fox
Charbonneau	Clark	Weisgerber	Neufeld
O'Neill	MacPhail	Chisholm	Boone
Garden	Ramsey	Wilson	Lali
Kasper	Barlee	Tyabji	Schreck
Hammell	Lovick	Jackson	Copping
B. Jones	Evans	Sawicki	Krog
Lortie			<u>o</u>

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

The Hon. G. Clark advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting. Committee to sit again at the next sitting. The Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows:

Honourable Members:

At the commencement of this afternoon's sitting, the Honourable Member for Richmond-Steveston arose on a point of order relating to the order of business called by the Government House Leader on the commencement of Orders of the Day.

I have examined with great care the point raised by the Honourable Member, as well as remarks bearing on the same point of order made by the Government House Leader and the House Leader of the Official Opposition.

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I have also examined the 21st edition of Erskine May's *Parliamentary Practice* and our own Standing Order 55 as it bears on the matter raised.

In my respectful view, the matter raised is almost identical to the one raised in this House on April 27, 1993, appearing in the *Journals* of that year at page 47.

In essence, the ruling referred to stands for the proposition that when the Government House Leader, under the authority of the sessional order authorizing the Committee of Supply to sit in two sections, calls for estimates to proceed in Section A, the remainder of the House remains intact and competent to consider such business as may properly be put before the House. This would obviously include the ability to resolve itself into Committee B for the purposes of considering estimates, Bills referred to Committee after second reading thereof or, as has been done on numerous occasions, remain sitting as a House with the Speaker in the Chair for the purpose of considering substantive motions and proposed amendments to those substantive motions.

The Chair notes that in the instance referred to on April 27, 1993, an amendment to the motion for second reading of a Bill was at that time before the House and debate was not only resumed at that sitting, it was further adjourned and resumed at the afternoon sitting of the same day. At both times Section A was simultaneously considering the estimates of the Minister of Forests.

I have further concluded that our Standing Order 55 rather than restricting the ability of the House to deal with substantive motions under these circumstances, in fact affords the House several alternatives and, accordingly, it does not support the point of order ably argued by the Honourable Member.

I therefore confirm my earlier ruling which permitted Committee A to sit for the purpose of reviewing estimates while the House business proceeds in the Chamber.

EMERY O. BARNES, Speaker

And then the House adjourned at 6.12 p.m.

# Wednesday, May 24, 1995

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Fox.

The letter of the Acting Deputy Attorney General and the Certificate of the Chief Electoral Officer of the result of the election of a member was read by *Ian D. Izard*, Law Clerk and Clerk Assistant, as follows:

"Office of the Deputy Attorney General, "Victoria, B.C., May 19, 1995

"E. George MacMinn, Q.C.,

"Clerk of the Legislative Assembly,

"Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B.C. V8V 1X4

"Re: By-election, Electoral District of Abbotsford, May 3, 1995.

"DEAR SIR — Enclosed is the original letter from the Chief Electoral Officer, Robert A. Patterson, certifying the election of Mr. *John van Dongen* as the Member to represent the Electoral District of Abbotsford.

"Yours truly,

"Ernie Quantz,

"Acting Deputy Attorney General"

(Enclosure)

"CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICE, "VICTORIA, B.C., MAY 19, 1995

"Ernie Quantz, Q.C.,

"Acting Deputy Attorney General,

"Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B.C. V8V 1X4

"Re: By-election, Electoral District of Abbotsford, May 3, 1995.

"Dear Sir — The November 1, 1994, resignation of *Harry De Jong*, the Member for the Electoral District of Abbotsford, created a vacancy in the membership of the Legislative Assembly." A Writ of Election was issued on April 5, 1995, requiring that a by-election be held to fill the vacancy. Accordingly, May 3, 1995, was designated as polling day." The completed Writ of Election has been returned to me, and by this memorandum, I certify the election of *John van Dongen*, as the Member to represent the Electoral District of Abbotsford in the Legislative Assembly.

"Yours very truly,

"ROBERT A. PATTERSON,

"CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER"

On the motion of the Hon. C. Gabelmann, it was Ordered —

That the letter of the Acting Deputy Attorney General and the certificate of the Chief Electoral Officer of the result of the election of the member be entered upon the Journals of the House.

Mr. *John van Dongen*, having taken the oath and signed the Parliamentary Roll, was introduced by Mr. *Campbell*, and took his seat.

The Hon. D. Miller (Minister of Skills, Training and Labour) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

Garde B. Gardom
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 29) intituled *Employment Standards Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 19, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill Ordered to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. *D. Marzari* (Minister of Municipal Affairs) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

Garde B. Gardom
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 31) intituled *Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act*, 1995 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 19, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill 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."

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The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Health and Ministry Responsible for Seniors).

(In the House)

The House resumed the adjourned debate on Motion 87: "Be it resolved that this House condemn the American Bonneville Power Administration for breaking a solemn commitment on the delivery and disposition of the Canadian Entitlement under the Columbia River Treaty."

The debate continued.

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

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.50 p.m.

## **Thursday, May 25, 1995**

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

The Clerk of the House informed the House of the unavoidable absence of the Speaker, whereupon Mr. *Lovick*, Deputy Speaker, took the Chair, pursuant to Standing Order 12.

Prayers by Mr. Hanson.

Mr. Lovick (Deputy Speaker) tabled the Annual Report of the Ombudsman, 1994.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

The debate continued.Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Health and Ministry Responsible for Seniors).

(In the House)

The House resumed the adjourned debate on Motion 87: "Be it resolved that this House condemn the American Bonneville Power Administration for breaking a solemn commitment on the delivery and disposition of the Canadian Entitlement under the Columbia River Treaty."

The debate continued. The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

	Yeas—51		
Petter	Cull	Doyle	Tanner
Dosanjh	Gabelmann	Janssen	Anderson
Marzari	Clark	Dalton	Symons
Cashore	MacPhail	Warnke	K. Jones
O'Neill	Ramsey	Reid	de Jong
Garden	Barlee	Gingell	Fox
Kasper	Pullinger	Weisgerber	Neufeld
Hammell	Sihota	Hanson	Chisholm
B. Jones	Evans	Wilson	Boone
Lortie	Randall	Tyabji	Lali
Giesbrecht	Beattie	Jackson	Schreck
Miller	Farnworth	Sawicki	Copping
Smallwood	Conroy	Streifel	
		Nays—1	
Serwa		1	

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting. Committee to sit again at the next sitting. And then the House adjourned at 11.55 a.m.

#### **Thursday, May 25, 1995**

Two o'clock p.m.

The Hon. *C. Gabelmann* (Attorney General) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

GARDE B. GARDOM

Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 26) intituled *Criminal Records Review Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 15, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. D. Miller (Minister of Skills, Training and Labour) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

# Garde B. Gardom Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 35) intituled *Fire and Police Services Collective Bargaining Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 23, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill Ordered to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Health and Ministry Responsible for Seniors).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs).

$$(In\ Committee - Section\ B)$$

- 10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$322,041 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1996.
- 11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,486,959 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1996.

Section B of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the Estimates of the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(In the House)

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No.9) intituled *Water Protection Act*.

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

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.54 p.m.

#### Friday, May 26, 1995

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TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

The Law Clerk of the House informed the House of the unavoidable absence of the Speaker, whereupon Mr. *Lovick*, Deputy Speaker, took the Chair, pursuant to Standing Order 12.

Prayers by Mr. Neufeld.

Mr. *Lovick* (Deputy Speaker) tabled a report from the Ombudsman entitled Public Report No. 35 — Fair Schools.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Social Services).

 $(\hbox{In Committee} - \hbox{Section B})$ 

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Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 12.16 p.m.

# Monday, May 29, 1995

Two o'clock P.M.

The Clerk of the House informed the House of the unavoidable absence of the Speaker, whereupon Mr. *Lovick*, Deputy Speaker, took the Chair, pursuant to Standing Order 12.

Prayers by Mr. Farnworth.

The Hon. A. Petter (Minister of Forests) made a ministerial statement regarding the designation of the Mount Slesse Commemorative Site.

Mr. Hurd made a statement.

Mr. Neufeld made a statement.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

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By leave, Mr. Chisholm tabled a document regarding CFB Chilliwack.

Mr. Gingell presented a petition supporting an Ecological Reserve at Burns Bog.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Health and Ministry Responsible for Seniors).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Social Services).

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(In Committee — Section A)

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Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.48 p.m.

## **Tuesday, May 30, 1995**

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

The Clerk of the House informed the House of the unavoidable absence of the Speaker, whereupon Mr. *Lovick*, Deputy Speaker, took the Chair, pursuant to Standing Order 12.

Prayers by the Hon. P. Ramsey.

Mr. *Lovick* (Deputy Speaker) tabled a report entitled Auditor General 1994/95: Report5, Compliance-with-Authorities Audits.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Health and Ministry Responsible for Seniors).

#### (IN THE HOUSE)

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 22) intituled *Farm Practices Protection (Right to Farm) Act*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Hon. D. Miller advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

#### **Tuesday, May 30, 1995**

Two o'clock P.M.

The Hon. *J. Smallwood* (Minister of Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

Garde B. Gardom
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 36) intituled *Consumer Protection Amendment Act*, 1995 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 29, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. *P. Ramsey* (Minister of Health and Minister Responsible for Seniors) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

Garde B. Gardom
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 30) intituled *Health Statutes Amendment Act*, 1995 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 18, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. *J. Pement* (Minister of Transportation and Highways) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

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Garde B. Gardom

Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 34) intituled *Offence Amendment Act*, 1995 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 23, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Health and Ministry Responsible for Seniors).

(In the House)

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 22) intituled *Farm Practices Protection (Right to Farm) Act*.

The debate continued.

Bill (No. 22) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for commital at the next sitting after today.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No.9) intituled *Water Protection Act* .

The debate continued.

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

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.56 p.m.

# Wednesday, May 31, 1995

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Clerk of the House informed the House of the unavoidable absence of the Speaker, whereupon Mr. *Lovick*, Deputy Speaker, took the Chair, pursuant to Standing Order 12.

Prayers by Ms. O'Neill.

The Hon. A. Charbonneau (Minister of Education) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

Garde B. Gardom
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 43) intituled *School Sites Acquisition Statutes Amendment Act, 1995* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 29, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill Ordered to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

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

Garde B. Gardom
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 44) intituled *Securities Amendment Act* (*No.* 2), 1995 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 30, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

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

Garde B. Gardom
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 45) intituled *Vancouver Stock Exchange* Amendment Act, 1995 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 29, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill Ordered to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. A. Petter (Minister of Forests) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

Garde B. Gardom
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 42) intituled *Forest Amendment Act*, 1995 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 29, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill *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."

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The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The Hon. A. Edwards (Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources) tabled a report entitled Towards Energy Sustainability — Implementing the B.C. Energy Council's Energy Strategy for British Columbia.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Health and Ministry Responsible for Seniors).

(IN THE HOUSE)

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 29) intituled *Employment Standards Act*, a debate arose.

Mr. Farrell-Collins moved the following amendment —

That the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 29) be amended by deleting the word "now" and substituting therefor the words "six months hence."

The debate on the amendment continued.

On the motion of Mr. Gingell, the debate on the amendment was adjourned until later today.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

The House recessed for forty minutes.

THIRTY-FIVE MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Health and Ministry Responsible for Seniors).

(IN THE HOUSE)

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 29) intituled *Employment Standards Act*.

The debate on the amendment continued.

The House divided.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:

		YEAS—12	
Warnke	Stephens	Anderson	de Jong
Farrell-Collins	Serwa	Symons	Fox
Gingell	Tanner	K. Jones	Neufeld
		Nays—32	
Pement	Perry	Pullinger	Jackson
Priddy	Hammell	Evans	Streifel
Edwards	Lortie	Randall	Chisholm
Cashore	Giesbrecht	Beattie	Boone
Zirnhelt	Miller	Doyle	Hartley
Charbonneau	Cull	Janssen	Schreck
O'Neill	Gabelmann	Wilson	Copping
Garden	Ramsey	Tyabji	Krog

The debate was resumed on the main motion.

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

 $(\hbox{In Committee} - \hbox{Section A})$ 

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 9.34 p.m.

# Thursday, June 1, 1995

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

The Clerk of the House informed the House of the unavoidable absence of the Speaker, whereupon Mr. *Lovick*, Deputy Speaker, took the Chair, pursuant to Standing Order 12.

Prayers by Mr. Doyle.

The Hon. *C. Gabelmann* (Attorney General) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

Garde B. Gardom
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 28) intituled *Election Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 19, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

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Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Health and Ministry Responsible for Seniors).

(IN THE HOUSE)

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 29) intituled *Employment Standards Act*.

The debate continued.

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

(In Committee — Section A)

- 42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$461,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Health and Ministry Responsible for Seniors, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1996.
- 43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,527,116,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Health and Ministry Responsible for Seniors, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1996.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the Estimates of the Ministry of Health and Ministry Responsible for Seniors.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

By agreement, summary debate of Estimates passed in Section A (Ministry of Health and Ministry Responsible for Seniors) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 12.01 p.m.

## Thursday, June 1, 1995

Two o'clock P.M.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Transportation and Highways).

(IN THE HOUSE)

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 29) intituled *Employment Standards Act*.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		YEAS—31	
Pement	B. Jones	Pullinger	Simpson
Edwards	Lortie	Sihota	Streifel
Zirnhelt	Giesbrecht	Randall	Lali
O'Neill	Smallwood	Beattie	Schreck
Perry	Cull	Farnworth	Copping
Hagen	Gabelmann	Doyle	Brewin
Kasper	Clark	Janssen	Krog
Hammell	MacPhail	Jackson	
		Nays—17	
Dalton	Stephens	Tanner	K. Jones
Warnke	Weisgerber	Jarvis	van Dongen
Reid	Hanson	Anderson	de Jong
Farrell-Collins Hurd	Serwa	Symons	Fox

Bill (No. 29) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for commital at the next sitting after today.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No.9) intituled *Water Protection Act*.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

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

Dosanjh	Clark	Farrell-Collins	Symons
Pement	MacPhail	Hurd	K. Jones
Zirnhelt	Pullinger	Gingell	van Dongen
O'Neill	Sihota	Stephens	de Jong
Garden	Randall	Weisgerber	Fox
Kasper	Beattie	Hanson	Chisholm
Hammell	Farnworth	Serwa	Hartley
B. Jones	Doyle	Jackson	Lali
Giesbrecht	Janssen	Simpson	Schreck
Smallwood	Dalton	Streifel	Copping
Cull	Warnke	Tanner	Brewin
Gabelmann	Reid	Jarvis	Krog

Bill (No.9) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for commital at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 36) intituled *Consumer Protection Amendment Act,* 1995, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 36) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for commital at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 20) intituled *Guaranteed Available Income for Need Amendment Act*, 1995, a debate arose.

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

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(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

The House recessed for thirty-five minutes.

THIRTY-SEVEN MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Transportation and Highways).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Social Services).

(In Committee)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting. Committee to sit again at the next sitting. And then the House adjourned at 9.33 p.m.

#### **Friday, June 2, 1995**

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TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

The Law Clerk of the House informed the House of the unavoidable absence of the Speaker, whereupon Mr. *Lovick*, Deputy Speaker, took the Chair, pursuant to Standing Order 12.

Prayers by Mr. Giesbrecht.

Ms. Sawicki presented a petition regarding warning labels on alcohol containers.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Social Services).

(In Committee — Section B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 12.17 p.m.

#### **Monday, June 5, 1995**

Two o'clock P.M.

The Clerk of the House informed the House of the unavoidable absence of the Speaker, whereupon Mr. *Lovick*, Deputy Speaker, took the Chair, pursuant to Standing Order 12.

Prayers by Ms. Stephens.

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

Garde B. Gardom
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 33) intituled *Finance and Corporate Relations Statutes Amendment Act, 1995* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 30, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

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

GARDE B. GARDOM
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 46) intituled *Cooperative Association Amendment Act, 1995* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 29, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill 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."

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The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Transportation and Highways).

(IN THE HOUSE)

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 18) intituled *Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Amendment Act, 1995*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

Bill (No. 18) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 42) intituled *Forest Amendment Act*, 1995, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

Bill (No. 42) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 45) intituled *Vancouver Stock Exchange Amendment Act*, 1995, a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		Yeas—45	
Petter	Hammell	Warnke	Jarvis
Dosanjh	B. Jones	Reid	Anderson
Pement	Lortie	Farrell-Collins	Symons
Priddy	Cull	Hurd	K. Jones
Edwards	Gabelmann	Gingell	de Jong
Cashore	Clark	Stephens	Neufeld
Charbonneau	MacPhail	Weisgerber	Hartley
O'Neill	Ramsey	Jackson	Lali
Garden	Evans	Streifel	Schreck
Perry	Randall	Lorď	Copping
Hagen	Dalton	Tanner	Brewin
Kasper			
		Nays—3	
Mitchell	Wilson	Tyabji	

Bill (No. 45) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 44) intituled *Securities Amendment Act (No.* 2), 1995, a debate arose.

On the motion of Mr. Warnke, the debate was adjourned until later today.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress. Report to be considered later today. Committee to sit again later today.

The House recessed for thirty minutes.

#### THIRTY-FIVE MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Transportation and Highways).

(IN THE HOUSE)

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 44) intituled *Securities Amendment Act* (*No.* 2), 1995.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		Yeas—45	
Petter	B. Jones	Warnke	Jarvis
Dosanjh	Lortie	Reid	Anderson
Pement	Miller	Gingell	Symons
Priddy	Cull	Stephens	K. Jones
Cashore	Gabelmann	Weisgerber	Neufeld
Charbonneau	Clark	Hanson	Chisholm
O'Neill	MacPhail	Serwa	Hartley
Garden	Ramsey	Jackson	Lali
Perry	Evans	Streifel	Schreck
Hagen	Randall	Lord	Copping
Kasper	Dalton	Tanner	Brewin
Hammell			
		Nays—3	
Mitchell	Wilson	Tyabji	

Bill (No. 44) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 23) intituled *Education Statutes Amendment Act,* 1995, a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

Petter	Yeas—29		
	Perry	Gabelmann	Streifel
Dosanjh	Hagen	Clark	Lorď
Pement	Kasper	MacPhail	Hartley
Priddy	Hammell	Ramsey	Lali
Cashore	B. Jones	Evans	Schreck
Charbonneau	Lortie	Randall	Copping
O'Neill	Cull	Jackson	Brewin
Cardon			

Nays—18

Dalton	Stephens	Jarvis	van Dongen
Warnke	Hanson	Anderson	Fox
Reid	Serwa	Symons	Neufeld
Hurd	Wilson	K. Jones	Chisholm
Gingell	Tyabji		

Bill (No. 23) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 43) intituled *School Sites Acquisition Statutes Amendment Act*, 1995, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 43) read a second time, on division, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 21) intituled *Tobacco Sales Amendment Act*, 1995, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 21) read a second time, on division, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. G. Clark advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 10.13 p.m.

#### **Tuesday, June 6, 1995**

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

The Clerk of the House informed the House of the unavoidable absence of the Speaker, whereupon Mr. *Lovick*, Deputy Speaker, took the Chair, pursuant to Standing Order 12.

Prayers by Mr. Symons.

By leave, the Hon. E. Cull moved —

That the report of the Auditor General, 1994/95: Report 5 — Compliance-with-Authorities Audits be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Transportation and Highways).

(In the House)

Bill (No. 45) intituled *Vancouver Stock Exchange Amendment Act, 1995*, was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 17) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act*, 1995, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 17) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 24) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act* (*No.* 2), 1995, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 24) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 16) intituled *Class Proceedings Act*, a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Dalton*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

(In Committee — Section A)

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Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.56 a.m.

# Tuesday, June 6, 1995

Two o'clock P.M.

The Hon. *C. Gabelmann* (Attorney General) made a ministerial statement regarding the removal of the road blockade at the Douglas Lake cattle ranch.

Mr. Campbell made a statement.

Mr. Weisgerber made a statement.

Mr. Wilson sought leave to make a statement.

Leave was not granted.

Mr. Mitchell sought leave to make a statement.

Leave was not granted.

Ms. *Tyabji* sought leave to make a statement.

Leave was not granted.

Mr. Serwa sought leave to make a statement.

Leave was not granted.

Mr. *Chisholm* sought leave to make a statement.

Leave was not granted.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. Mitchell rose on a point of order regarding the content of questions in Oral Question Period.

The Deputy Speaker stated that he would take the matter under advisement.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Transportation and Highways).

#### (In the House)

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 46) intituled *Cooperative Association Amendment Act*, 1995, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 46) 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. 36) intituled *Consumer Protection Amendment Act, 1995*, was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 27) intituled *Pharmacists, Pharmacy Operations* and *Drug Scheduling Amendment Act, 1995*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 27) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 30) intituled *Health Statutes Amendment Act*, 1995, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 30) 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. 21) intituled *Tobacco Sales Amendment Act*, 1995, was committed.

Ms. *Tyabji* moved an amendment to section 1 of Bill (No. 21) which was defeated on the following division:

		Yeas—9	
Dalton	Wilson	Anderson	van Dongen
Warnke	Tyabji	Symons	de Jong
Reid			
		Nays—34	
Petter	Perry	Ramsey	Lord
Dosanjh	Hammell	Sihota	Fox
Marzari	B. Jones	Evans	Neufeld
Pement	Miller	Randall	Chisholm
Priddy	Smallwood	Serwa	Boone
Edwards	Cull	Jackson	Schreck
Charbonneau	Harcourt	Sawicki	Copping
O'Neill	Gabelmann	Streifel	Brewin
Garden	MacPhail	•	

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

Bill to be considered later today.

$$(In\ Committee - Section\ A)$$

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

The Deputy Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows:

#### Honourable Members:

Earlier today, following Oral Question Period, I indicated that I would examine the *Blues* and bring back to the House a more detailed ruling with respect to oral questions whose subject matter relates to a bill before the House.

The House has given the Speaker the responsibility for the conduct of Oral Question Period. Speakers have considered the scope and subject matter of both questions and answers with a view to maintaining the free flow of information while ensuring the most suitable Parliamentary vehicle for inquiry and debate.

I have reviewed the rules relating to questions regarding bills on the Order Paper and while I am not prepared to embark on a hypothetical proposition I believe the following general guidelines will be helpful to the Members:

- 1. Questions must not be concerned with a detailed analysis of the contents of a bill as a more appropriate forum would be in committee stage on the bill.
  - 2. Similarly, detailed questions of proposed amendments to a bill would not be in order.
- 3. A question regarding background material and facts or a general inquiry relating to the subject matter would not be out of order provided it was not otherwise contrary to the rules of Oral Question Period

My examination of the *Blues* indicates that the question complained of involved the background of the bill and was not an infringement of the anticipation rule.

Dale Lovick, Deputy Speaker

#### THIRTY-FIVE MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Transportation and Highways).

#### (In the House)

Bill (No. 21) intituled *Tobacco Sales Amendment Act*, 1995, was again committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed, on division.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 31) intituled *Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act*, 1995, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 31) 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. 19) intituled *Home Owner Grant Amendment Act, 1995*, was committed, reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 16) intituled *Class Proceedings Act*.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

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

Petter	Miller	Farrell-Collins	Jarvis
Dosanjh	Smallwood	Hurd	Anderson
Marzari	Harcourt	Stephens	Symons
Pement	Gabelmann	Hanson	van Dongen
Priddy	MacPhail	Mitchell	Fox
Charbonneau	Ramsey	Wilson	Neufeld
O'Neill	Sihota	Tyabji	Chisholm
Garden	Evans	Jackson	Boone
Perry	Randall	Sawicki	Schreck
Hammell	Beattie	Streifel	Copping
B. Jones	Dalton	Lord	Brewin
Giesbrecht	Warnke	Tanner	

Bill (No. 16) 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. 23) intituled Education Statutes Amendment Act, 1995, was committed.

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting after today.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$432,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Transportation and Highways, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1996.

56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$673,011,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Transportation and Highways, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1996.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the Estimates of the Ministry of Transportation and Highways.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

By agreement, summary debate of Estimates passed in Section A (Ministry of Transportation and Highways) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11 p.m.

## Wednesday, June 7, 1995

Two o'clock P.M.

The Clerk of the House informed the House of the unavoidable absence of the Speaker, whereupon Mr. *Lovick*, Deputy Speaker, took the Chair, pursuant to Standing Order 12.

Prayers by Mr. Gingell.

The Hon. *J. MacPhail* (Minister of Social Services) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

Garde B. Gardom
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 41) intituled *Child*, *Family and Community Service Amendment Act*, 1995 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 30, 1995.

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

The Hon. *J. MacPhail* (Minister of Social Services) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

Garde B. Gardom
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 47) intituled *Child, Youth and Family Advocacy Amendment Act, 1995* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

June 1, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill 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."

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The Hon. A. Edwards (Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources) tabled the Annual Report of the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources, 1993/94.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Finance and Corporate Relations).

(In the House)

Bill (No. 46) intituled *Cooperative Association Amendment Act, 1995*, was committed, reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 18) intituled *Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Amendment Act, 1995*, was committed, reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

(In Committee — Section A)

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Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

The House recessed for forty minutes.

THIRTY-FIVE MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Finance and Corporate Relations).

(In the House)

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Bill (No. 23) intituled Education Statutes Amendment Act, 1995, was again committed.

An amendment to section 6 of Bill (No. 23) passed, on division.

Mr. *Dalton* moved an amendment to delete subsection 125 (7) in section 6 of Bill (No. 23) which was defeated, on division.

Section 6, as amended, of Bill (No. 23) passed, on division.

Bill (No. 23) was reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed, on division.

Bill (No. 43) intituled School Sites Acquisition Statutes Amendment Act, 1995, was committed.

Section 3 of Bill (No. 43) passed, on division.

Bill (No. 43) was reported complete without amendment.

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 43) the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		YEAS—50	
Marzari	Smallwood	Reid	K. Jones
Priddy	Cull	Farrell-Collins	van Dongen
Edwards	Harcourt	Hurd	de Jong
Charbonneau	Gabelmann	Gingell	Fox
O'Neill	Clark	Jackson	Neufeld
Garden	Ramsey	Sawicki	Chisholm
Perry	Pullinger	Streifel	Boone
Hagen	Sihota	Lord	Hartley
Kasper	Evans	Tanner	Lali
Hammell	Randall	Jarvis	Schreck
Lortie	Conroy	Anderson	Brewin
Giesbrecht	Dalton	Symons	Krog
Miller	Warnke		
		Nays—4	
Hanson	Serwa	Wilson	Tyabji

Bill (No. 43) read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 17) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 1995*, was committed, reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

- 32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$348,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Finance and Corporate Relations, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1996.
- 33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$72,211,470 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Finance and Corporate Relations, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1996.
- 34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Finance and Corporate Relations, Pensions Administration, to 31st March 1996.
- 59. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$979,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Management of Public Funds and Debt, to 31st March 1996.
- 60. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$57,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Contingencies (All Ministries) and New Programs, to 31st March 1996.
- 61. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,950,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Corporate Accounting System, to 31st March 1996.
- 62. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,170,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Public Sector Employers' Council, to 31st March 1996.
- 63. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,990,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Public Service Employee Relations Commission, to 31st March 1996.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the Estimates of the Ministry of Finance and Corporate Relations.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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By agreement, summary debate of Estimates passed in Section A (Ministry of Finance and Corporate Relations) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 10.11 p.m.

#### Thursday, June 8, 1995

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

The Clerk of the House informed the House of the unavoidable absence of the Speaker, whereupon Mr. *Lovick*, Deputy Speaker, took the Chair, pursuant to Standing Order 12.

Prayers by Mr. van Dongen.

The Hon. *P. Ramsey* (Minister of Health and Minister Responsible for Seniors) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

ALLAN MCEACHERN

Administrator

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 40) intituled *Health Authorities Amendment Act*, 1995 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

June 7, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill Ordered to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Mr. *Gingell* presented a petition regarding recent changes in the *Adoption Act* regulations.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Skills, Training and Labour).

(IN THE HOUSE)

Bill (No. 24) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No.* 2), 1995, was committed, reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 13) intituled Mineral Tenure Amendment Act, 1995, was committed.

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

### (IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.56 a.m.

## Thursday, June 8, 1995

Two o'clock P.M.

The Speaker declared a short recess.

His Honour the Administrator having entered the House, and being seated in the Chair — *Ian D. Izard*, Esq., Law Clerk and Clerk Assistant, read the titles to the following Bills:

- Bill (No. 2) Budget Measures Implementation Act, 1995.
- Bill (No. 3) Grains and Oilseeds Revenue Protection Plan Trust Fund Act.
- Bill (No. 4) Grazing Enhancement Special Account Act.
- Bill (No. 5) Securities Amendment Act, 1995.
- Bill (No. 10) Mountain Resort Associations Act.
- Bill (No. 11) Growth Strategies Statutes Amendment Act, 1995.
- Bill (No. 15) Real Estate Amendment Act, 1995.
- Bill (No. 17) Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 1995.
- Bill (No. 18) Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Amendment Act, 1995.
- Bill (No. 19) Home Owner Grant Amendment Act, 1995.
- Bill (No. 21) Tobacco Sales Amendment Act, 1995.
- Bill (No. 24) Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 1995.
- Bill (No. 36) Consumer Protection Amendment Act, 1995.
- Bill (No. 45) Vancouver Stock Exchange Amendment Act, 1995.
- Bill (No. 46) Cooperative Association Amendment Act, 1995.

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

The said assent was announced by *E. George MacMinn*, Q.C., Clerk of the House in the following words:

"In Her Majesty's name, His Honour the Administrator does assent to these Bills."

His Honour the Administrator was then pleased to retire.

The Hon. D. Miller (Minister of Skills, Training and Labour) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

#### ALLAN MCEACHERN

*Administrator* 

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 49) intituled *Royal Roads University Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

June 7, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill Ordered to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *C. Gabelmann* (Attorney General) tabled the Annual Report of the Law Reform Commission of British Columbia, 1994/95.

Mr. K. Jones presented a petition regarding recent changes in the Adoption Act regulations.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Section A of Committee of Supply having reported the last vote of the Estimates of the Ministry of Finance and Corporate Relations, debate on those Estimates was summarized, pursuant to Sessional Order of April 10, 1995.

Section A of Committee of Supply having reported the last vote of the Estimates of the Ministry of Transportation and Highways, debate on those Estimates was summarized, pursuant to Sessional Order of April 10, 1995.

Section A of Committee of Supply having reported the last vote of the Estimates of the Ministry of Education, debate on those Estimates was summarized, pursuant to Sessional Order of April 10, 1995.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Skills, Training and Labour).

(In the House)

Bill (No. 16) intituled *Class Proceedings Act* was committed.

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

Bill to be considered later today.

Bill (No. 9) intituled Water Protection Act, was committed.

Section 4 of Bill (No. 9) passed, on division.

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

Bill to be considered later today.

#### (In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

The House recessed for thirty minutes.

THIRTY-FIVE MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Skills, Training and Labour).

(In the House)

Bill (No. 9) intituled *Water Protection Act* was again committed, reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 25) intituled *Motor Vehicle Amendment Act*, 1995, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 25) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 34) intituled *Offence Amendment Act*, 1995, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 34) 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 second reading of Bill (No. 20) intituled *Guaranteed Available Income for Need Amendment Act, 1995*.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

	Yeas—29		
Dosanjh	Lortie	Pullinger	Streifel
Pement	Giesbrecht	Evans	Lord
Priddy	Miller	Randall	Hartley
Charbonneau	Cull	Beattie	Lali
O'Neill	Clark	Farnworth	Schreck
Garden	MacPhail	Conroy	Brewin
Perry	Lovick	Jackson	Krog
Hagen			_

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Nays—11

StephensJarvisK. JonesFoxTyabjiAndersonvan DongenNeufeldTannerSymonsde Jong

Bill (No. 20) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 9.14 p.m.

# **Friday, June 9, 1995**

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Ms. Reid.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

By leave, Mr. *Kasper* requested that a letter of support be forwarded to the Aid for Cuba Campaign Caravan.

The Speaker stated that, with the approval of the House, he would be pleased to comply with the request.

By leave, on the motion of the Hon. G. Clark, seconded by Mr. Warnke, it was Ordered —

That Robert Vaive be, and is hereby appointed, Clerk Assistant of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia.

And then the House adjourned at 11.10 a.m.

# **Monday, June 12, 1995**

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Hanson.

The Hon. *C. Gabelmann* (Attorney General) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

Garde B. Gardom

Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 38) intituled *Criminal Injury Compensation Amendment Act*, 1995 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

June 1, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill Ordered to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. *C. Gabelmann* (Attorney General) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

Garde B. Gardom

Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 37) intituled *Victims of Crime Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

June 1, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *U. Dosanjh* (Minister of Government Services and Minister Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights) tabled the Ministry of Government Services Annual Report, 1992-1993.

Mr. Neufeld presented a petition regarding amendments to the Adoption Act.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Section A of Committee of Supply having reported the last vote of the Estimates of the Ministry of Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services, debate on those Estimates was summarized, pursuant to Sessional Order of April 10, 1995.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Skills, Training and Labour).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Social Services).

(IN COMMITTEE)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

The House recessed for fifty minutes.

#### THIRTY-FIVE MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

### **89** The Hon. E. Cull moved —

Be it resolved that this House reject as unfair and unreasonable all of the recommendations made by the Judicial Compensation Committee established under section 7.1 (9) of the *Provincial Court Act* and tabled in the Legislature on May 11, 1995 and that this House substitute the current salary, benefit and other remuneration arrangements for the period January 1, 1995 to December 31, 1997.

A debate arose.

Mr. Dalton moved the following amendment —

That motion 89 be amended to read as follows:Be it resolved that this House reject the recommendations made by the Judicial Compensation Committee established under section 7.1 (9) of the *Provincial Court Act* and tabled in the Legislature on May 11, 1995 with the exception of the Pension review recommendation on page 21 of the report and that this House substitute the current salary, benefit and other remuneration arrangements for the period January 1, 1995 to December 31, 1997.

The amendment was negatived, on division.

The debate was resumed on the main motion.

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

	Yeas—50		
Priddy	Cull	Farrell-Collins	Anderson
Charbonneau	Gabelmann	Hurd	Symons
O'Neill	MacPhail	Gingell	K. Jones
Garden	Lovick	Stephens	van Dongen
Perry	Pullinger	Hanson	Fox
Hagen	Sihota	Serwa	Neufeld
Kasper	Beattie	Tyabji	Hartley
Hammell	Farnworth	Jackson	Lali
B. Jones	Conroy	Sawicki	Schreck
Lortie	Doyle	Streifel	Copping
Giesbrecht	Dalton	Tanner	Brewin
Miller	Warnke	Jarvis	Krog
Smallwood	Reid		O

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Skills, Training and Labour).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Social Services).

(IN COMMITTEE)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

- 49. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$407,230 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Skills, Training and Labour, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1996.
- 50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,632,121,770 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Skills, Training and Labour, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1996.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the Estimates of the Ministry of Skills, Training and Labour.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

By agreement, summary debate of estimates passed in Section A (Ministry of Skills, Training and Labour) to be considered at the next sitting.

The Hon. G. Clark advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

And then the House adjourned at 10.05 p.m.

# Tuesday, June 13, 1995

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Fox.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources).

(In the House)

Bill (No. 16) intituled Class Proceedings Act was again committed.

A proposed amendment by Mr. Wilson on the Order Paper to section 37 of Bill (No. 16) was defeated, on division.

Section 37 of Bill (No. 16) passed, on division.

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Mr. Wilson moved an amendment to section 38 (1) (b) of Bill (No. 16) which was defeated, on division.

Bill (No. 16) was reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.55 a.m.

## **Tuesday, June 13, 1995**

Two o'clock P.M.

The Hon. *U. Dosanjh* (Minister of Government Services and Minister Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

Garde B. Gardom
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 32) intituled *Human Rights Amendment Act*, 1995 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

May 19, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill Ordered to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. *E. Cull* (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

ALLAN McEachern

Administrator

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 39) intituled *International Registration Plan Statutes Amendment Act*, 1995 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

June 5, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill Ordered to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. D. Miller (Minister of Skills, Training and Labour) tabled the Ministry of Skills, Training and Labour Annual Report, 1993/94.

The Hon. E. Barnes (Speaker) tabled the Commissioner of Conflict of Interest Annual Report, 1994-95.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources).

#### (In the House)

Bill (No. 42) intituled *Forest Amendment Act* was committed, reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 27) intituled *Pharmacists, Pharmacy Operations and Drug Scheduling Amendment Act,* 1995 was committed.

Section 36.1 contained within section 2 of Bill (No. 27) passed, on division.

Bill (No. 27) was reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 30) intituled *Health Statutes Amendment Act, 1995* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 40) intituled *Health Authorities Amendment Act*, 1995, a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		Yeas—36	
Petter	Garden	Clark	Conroy
Dosanjh	Perry	MacPhail	Doyle
Marzari	Kasper	Ramsey	Janssen
Pement	Hammell	Barlee	Jackson
Edwards	Lortie	Lovick	Sawicki
Cashore	Giesbrecht	Sihota	Streifel
Zirnhelt	Smallwood	Evans	Hartley
Charbonneau	Cull	Beattie	Lali
O'Neill	Harcourt	Farnworth	Schreck
		Nays—19	
Warnke	Stephens	Tanner	de Jong
Reid	Hanson	Jarvis	Fox
Campbell	Serwa	Anderson	Neufeld
Farrell-Collins	Wilson	Symons	Chisholm
Hurd	Tyabji	K. Jones	

Bill (No. 40) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$343,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1996.

- 27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$62,664,990 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1996.
- 28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources, British Columbia Utilities Commission, to 31st March 1996.
- 29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$810,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources, Resource Revenue Sharing Agreements, to 31st March 1996.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the Estimates of the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

By agreement, summary debate of estimates passed in Section A (Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources) to be considered later today.

The House recessed for thirty-five minutes.

FIFTY MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs).

(In the House)

Bill (No. 25) intituled Motor Vehicle Amendment Act, 1995 was committed.

In consideration of section 76.1 contained within section 4 of Bill (No. 25) the Committee divided as follows:

	Yeas—39		
Petter	Perry	Evans	Jackson
Marzari	Kasper	Beattie	Sawicki
Pement	Hammell	Farnworth	Streifel
Priddy	Lortie	Conroy	Anderson
Edwards	Giesbrecht	Doyle	Symons
Cashore	Smallwood	Janssen	K. Jones
Zirnhelt	Clark	Warnke	Hartley
Charbonneau	Ramsey	Farrell-Collins	Lali
O'Neill	Barlee	Gingell	Schreck
Garden	Sihota	Stephens	
		Nays—7	
Weisgerber	Serwa	Tyabji	Chisholm
Hanson	Wilson	Ňeufeld	

Bill (No. 25) was reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed, on division.

(In Committee — Section A)

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$360,514 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Municipal Affairs, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1996.

- 47. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$55,245,086 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Municipal Affairs, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1996.
- 48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$322,780,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Municipal Affairs, Local Government Grants, to 31st March 1996.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the Estimates of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

By agreement, summary debate of Estimates passed in Section A (Ministry of Municipal Affairs) to be considered at the next sitting.

Mr. Wilson rose on a matter of privilege regarding events in Section A of Committee of Supply.

The Hon. G. Clark made representations.

Ms. *Tyabji* made representations.

Mr. Neufeld made representations.

Mr. Farrell-Collins made representations.

The Speaker stated he would take the matter under advisement.

And then the House adjourned at 10.07 p.m.

# Wednesday, June 14, 1995

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Neufeld.

Mr. Gingell advised the House of the death of Mr. Robert Wenman, a former Member of the Legislative Assembly.

The Speaker stated that he would convey to the family of the late Mr. Wenman the condolences of the Members of the Legislative Assembly.

The Hon. *E. Cull* (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) made a ministerial statement with regard to the status of an investigation under the *Society Act* into the Nanaimo Commonwealth Holding Society, and tabled correspondence between herself and the Attorney General's Ministry.

Mr. Dalton made a statement.

Mr. Weisgerber made a statement.

Mr. Mitchell sought leave to make a statement.

Leave was not granted.

Mr. Wilson sought leave to make a statement.

Leave was not granted.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Upon the Member for Delta South disregarding a direction of the Chair to withdraw an unparliamentary expression, the Chair ordered him to withdraw from the House for the balance of the day's sitting.

Mr. K. Jones presented a petition from British Columbia Teachers for Life.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Section A of Committee of Supply having reported the last vote of the Estimates of the Ministry of Health and Ministry Responsible for Seniors, debate on those Estimates was summarized, pursuant to Sessional Order of April 10, 1995.

Section A of Committee of Supply having reported the last vote of the Estimates of the Ministry of Skills, Training and Labour, debate on those Estimates was summarized, pursuant to Sessional Order of April 10, 1995.

Section A of Committee of Supply having reported the last vote of the Estimates of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs, debate on those Estimates was summarized, pursuant to Sessional Order of April 10, 1995.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food).

#### (In the House

Bill (No. 34) intituled Offence Amendment Act, 1995 was committed.

Ms. *Tyabji* moved an amendment to section 1 of Bill (No. 34) which was defeated on the following division:

		Yeas—13	
Dalton Warnke	Wilson Tyabji	Symons van Dongen	Fox Neufeld
Hurd Hanson	Jarvis	de Jong	Chisholm
		Nays—39	
Petter	Garden	Gabelmann	Jackson
Dosanjh	Perry	Ramsey	Streifel
Marzari	Hagen	Barlee	Boone
Pement	Kasper	Pullinger	Hartley
Priddy	Lortie	Sihota	Lali
Edwards	Giesbrecht	Randall	Schreck
Cashore	Miller	Beattie	Copping
Zirnhelt	Smallwood	Farnworth	Brewin
Charbonneau	Cull	Doyle	Krog
O'Neill	Harcourt	Janssen	

Bill (No. 34) was reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 13) intituled Mineral Tenure Amendment Act, 1995 was again committed.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again. Bill to be considered later today.

#### (In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

The Speaker delivered his reserved decisions as follows:

#### Honourable Members:

On Friday last during Private Members' Statements, the Speaker had to intervene on more than one occasion to remind Honourable Members about the spirit and intent of Standing Order 25 A which provides us with the authority for Private Members' Statements. At the conclusion of Private Members' Statements, the Honourable Member for North Vancouver-Seymour rose on a point of order suggesting that the rules had been transgressed by Members using partisan attacks which prompted reciprocation in kind.

The Government House Leader spoke to the same point of order and made the distinction between public policy matters which were of a political nature and the desirability of presenting those issues in a non-partisan way.

The Chair has also reviewed the comprehensive decision relating to Private Members' Statements of July 2, 1992. It seems to the Chair that the essence of that decision is as follows:

"In reviewing the practice of this House, however, highly partisan remarks that negatively reflect on individual Members or groups of Members in the House have not been regarded as falling within the spirit and intent of Standing Order 25A."

In considering the comments of both the Honourable Member for North Vancouver-Seymour and the Government House Leader, it seems as if the principle above quoted continues to be the general wish of this House and to paraphrase the point made by the Government House Leader it seems to the Chair it is quite possible to express a party's position on political issues or policy matters without indulging in personal attacks on individual Members or groups of Members in the House.

I would ask that all Honourable Members be guided by these principles on Private Members' Day.

EMERY O. BARNES, Speaker

#### Honourable Members:

At the close of proceedings yesterday the Honourable Member for Powell River-Sunshine Coast rose on what he described as a matter of privilege relating to proceedings in Section A of Committee of Supply constituted under the Sessional Order of this House dated April 10, 1995.

The substance of the Honourable Member's complaint was that he had not had an opportunity to speak to the Estimates of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs which were called, considered and concluded last evening.

The Chair also heard representations from the Government House Leader, the House Leader of the Official Opposition, the Honourable Member for Okanagan East and the Honourable Member for Peace River North and has considered all submissions with great care.

Firstly, a perusal of yesterday's *Blues* confirms that prior to the House recessing at 6:09 p.m. the Government House Leader announced to the House that Committee A would be considering the Estimates of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs upon its return from recess at 6:45 p.m., and as this announcement followed immediately upon the heels of a division in the House, the Chair notes that most Members were present.

After the recess the House resumed at 6:50 p.m. at which time the Honourable Minister of Municipal Affairs, acting as House Leader, advised the House that Committee of Supply would be sitting in Section A debating the Estimates of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs.

From this point on, until the House receives a report from Section A, the Speaker quite properly has no knowledge of what transpires in a Committee of the House, nor are matters which occurred in the Committee of the House properly within the domain of the Speaker, unless such matters are brought to the House by way of a report from the Committee itself.

At the conclusion of last evening's sitting, Section A of Committee of Supply reported Resolutions in the normal manner and it was after this report was received by the House and the Committee given permission to sit again, that the Honourable Member for Powell River-Sunshine Coast raised his matter of privilege.

A careful examination of the *Hansard* report of proceedings in the House does not disclose any irregularity.

Furthermore, no report was tendered to or received by this House from the Committee dealing with the Estimates of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs apart from the perfectly normal report of Resolutions with a request for leave to sit again.

It is relevant I think at this point to refer Honourable Members to a decision of this House recorded in the *Journals* of April 12, 1994, which examined this whole matter in considerable detail. I quote in part from that decision:

"The substitution rules are designed in such a way to prevent any Member being denied access to any Estimate he or she chooses to debate. As with debates in the House or any Committee thereof, it is incumbent on the Member seeking to be heard to be present and to conform to the rules as interpreted by the Presiding Officer."

The record not disclosing any irregularity and in the absence of the Committee's report bringing irregularities to the Chair's attention, I must rule that the matter of privilege raised by the Honourable Member for Powell River-Sunshine Coast cannot succeed.

EMERY O. BARNES, Speaker

The House recessed for thirty minutes.

THIRTY-FIVE MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Forests).

(IN THE HOUSE)

Bill (No. 13) intituled Mineral Tenure Amendment Act, 1995 was again committed.

In consideration of a proposed amendment by Ms. *Tyabji* on the Order Paper to section 2 of Bill (No. 13), the Committee divided.

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The amendment was defeated on the following division:

		YEAS—14	
Dalton	Serwa	Jarvis	van Dongen
Warnke	Mitchell	Symons	Fox
Hurd	Tyabji	K. Jones	Neufeld
Hanson	Tanner		-
		Nays—29	
Petter	Kasper	Pullinger	Streifel
Priddy	Lortie	Sihota	Boone
Edwards	Giesbrecht	Randall	Hartley
Cashore	Miller	Beattie	Lali
Charbonneau	Smallwood	Doyle	Schreck
Garden	Gabelmann	Janssen	Brewin
Perry	Barlee	Jackson	Krog
Hagen			_

Section 2 of Bill (No. 13) passed, on division.

In consideration of a proposed amendment by Ms. *Tyabji* on the Order Paper to section 4 (a) of Bill (No. 13), the Committee divided.

The amendment was defeated on the following division:

		Yeas—12	
Dalton Warnke Hurd	Serwa Mitchell Tyabji	Jarvis Symons K. Jones	van Dongen de Jong Chisholm
		Nays—31	
Petter Priddy Edwards Cashore Charbonneau O'Neill Garden	Hagen Kasper Hammell Lortie Giesbrecht Miller Ramsey	Sihota Randall Beattie Farnworth Doyle Jackson Streifel	Neufeld Boone Hartley Lali Schreck Brewin Krog
Perry	Pullinger	Fox	Mog

A proposed amendment by Ms. *Tyabji* on the Order Paper to section 4 (c) of Bill (No. 13) was defeated, on division.

In consideration of section 4 of Bill (No. 13) the Committee divided as follows:

		Yeas—30	
Petter Priddy Edwards Cashore Zirnhelt Charbonneau O'Neill Garden	Perry Kasper Hammell Lortie Miller Ramsey Barlee Lovick	Pullinger Sihota Randall Beattie Farnworth Doyle Jackson	Streifel Boone Hartley Lali Schreck Brewin Krog
		Nays—16	
Dalton Warnke Farrell-Collins Hurd	Hanson Serwa Tyabji Tanner	Jarvis Symons K. Jones van Dongen	de Jong Fox Neufeld Chisholm

Mr. Fox moved an amendment to section 7.1 (2) contained within section 5 of Bill (No. 13) which was defeated, on division.

In consideration of section 11 of Bill (No. 13) the Committee divided as follows:

	Yeas—33		
Petter	Hagen	Ramsey	Jackson
Priddy	Kasper	Barlee	Streifel
Edwards	Hammell	Pullinger	Boone
Cashore	Lortie	Sihota	Hartley
Zirnhelt	Giesbrecht	Randall	Lali
Charbonneau	Miller	Beattie	Schreck
O'Neill	Cull	Farnworth	Brewin
Garden	Gabelmann	Doyle	Krog
Perry			

Nays—16

Dalton Hanson Tyabji van Dongen Warnke Serwa Tanner de Jong Farrell-Collins Mitchell Neufeld Jarvis Hurd K. Jones Chisholm Wilson

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 10.09 p.m.

## **Thursday, June 15, 1995**

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Weisgerber.

The Hon. *J. Pement* (Minister of Transportation and Highways) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

ALLAN MCEACHERN

Administrator

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 50) intituled *Motor Vehicle Amendment Act (No. 2)*, 1995 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

June 8, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill Ordered to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food).

(In the House)

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 35) intituled *Fire and Police Services Collective Bargaining Act*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 12.01 p.m.

## **Thursday, June 15, 1995**

Two o'clock P.M.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food).

(In the House)

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 35) intituled *Fire and Police Services Collective Bargaining Act*.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		Yeas—31	
Petter	Perry	Barlee	Tyabji
Dosanjh	Hagen	Lovick	Jackson
Pement	Hammell	Pullinger	Streifel
Priddy	Lortie	Sihota	Lord
Zirnhelt	Miller	Randall	Hartley
Charbonneau	Smallwood	Beattie	Lali
O'Neill	Cull	Doyle	Schreck
Garden	MacPhail	Wilson	
		Nays—17	
Dalton	Gingell	Mitchell	van Dongen
Warnke	Weisgerber	Anderson	Fox
Reid	Hanson	Symons	Neufeld
Farrell-Collins	Serwa	K. Jones	Chisholm
Hurd			

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Bill (No. 35) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 49) intituled *Royal Roads University Act*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 49) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 41) intituled *Child, Family and Community Service Amendment Act*, 1995, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 41) read a second time, on division, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 47) intituled *Child, Youth and Family Advocacy Amendment Act, 1995*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 47) 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. 29) intituled Employment Standards Act was committed.

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

Bill to be considered later today.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

The House recessed for thirty-five minutes.

THIRTY-FIVE MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food).

(IN THE HOUSE)

Bill (No. 29) intituled *Employment Standards Act* was again committed.

In consideration of Section 14 of Bill (No. 29) the Committee divided.

Section passed *nemine contradicente* on the following division:

YEAS—41 Petter B. Jones Reid Anderson Dosanjh Miller Farrell-Collins K. Jones MacPhail Marzari Hanson van Dongen Pement Barlee Serwa Fox Priddy Randall Wilson Neufeld Zirnhelt Beattie Tvabji Chisholm O'Neill Doyle Jackson Hartley Garden Janssen Sawicki Lali Perry Dalton Streifel Schreck Hagen Warnke Lord Brewin Kasper

A proposed amendment by Mr. Wilson on the Order Paper to section 22 (2) of Bill (No. 29) was defeated, on division.

In consideration of a proposed amendment by Ms. *Tyabji* on the Order Paper to section 30 of Bill (No. 29) the Committee divided.

The amendment was defeated on the following division:

		Yeas—8	
Farrell-Collins	Serwa	Tyabji	van Dongen
Hanson	Wilson	Anderson	Neufeld
		Nays—27	
Petter	Garden	Barlee	Streifel
Dosanjh	Perry	Randall	Lord
Marzari	Hagen	Beattie	Hartley
Pement	Kasper	Doyle	Lali
Priddy	B. Jones	Janssen	Schreck
Zirnhelt	Miller	Jackson	Brewin
O'Neill	<i>MacPhail</i>	Sawicki	

Section 30 of Bill (No. 29) passed, on division.

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

- 12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$332,812 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1996.
- 13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$64,618,078 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1996.
- 14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,639,254 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, Provincial Agricultural Land Commission, to 31st March 1996.
- 15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$554,856 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, British Columbia Marketing Board, to 31st March 1996.
- 16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, Okanagan Valley Tree Fruit Authority, to 31st March 1996.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the Estimates of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

By agreement, summary debate of estimates passed in Section A (Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 10.06 p.m.

## Friday, June 16, 1995

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Serwa.

Mr. Farrell-Collins asked leave, pursuant to Standing Order 35, to move adjournment of the House to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, the disclosure by the Minister of Finance of the contents of the interim report of forensic auditor Ron Parks into the Nanaimo Commonwealth Holding Society to NDP Provincial Secretary Brian Gardiner.

Mr. Weisgerber made representations.

The Hon. J. MacPhail made representations.

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

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

Mr. Wilson advised the Chair of his intention to raise a matter of privilege.

Section A of Committee of Supply having reported the last vote of the Estimates of the Ministry of Small Business, Tourism and Culture, debate on those Estimates was summarized, pursuant to Sessional Order of April 10, 1995.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Social Services).

(In Committee — Section B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.54 a.m.

### **Monday, June 19, 1995**

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Randall.

The Hon. *M. F. Harcourt* (Premier) made a ministerial statement relating to the release of the 26 United Nations peacekeepers in Bosnia.

Mr. Campbell made a statement.

Mr. Neufeld made a statement.

The Hon. *P. Ramsey* (Minister of Health and Minister Responsible for Seniors) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

Garde B. Gardom
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 48) intituled *Access to Abortion Services Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

June 16, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Section A of Committee of Supply having reported the last vote of the Estimates of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, debate on those Estimates was summarized, pursuant to Sessional Order of April 10, 1995.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Forests).

(In the House)

Bill (No. 22) intituled Farm Practices Protection (Right to Farm) Act was committed and reported complete with amendment.

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

The Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows:

Honourable Members:

On Friday last, the Honourable Member for Fort Langley-Aldergrove sought to move an adjournment of the House pursuant to Standing Order 35 to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely, the disclosure by the Minister of Finance of the contents of the interim report of forensic auditor Ron Parks into the Nanaimo Commonwealth Holding Society to NDP Provincial Secretary Brian Gardiner.

The Chair also heard submissions from the Leader of the Third Party and the Minister of Social Services.

In my view, the member's request for adjournment of the House under Standing Order 35 relates directly to the Minister's conduct in the alleged disclosing of the contents of the Parks Report to the NDP Provincial Secretary, and its consequences in relation to a possible criminal investigation.

In the context of this issue, the Chair has some difficulty in allowing a motion to go forward under Standing Order 35 as the ensuing debate would inevitably focus on the conduct of the Minister in her handling of the Parks Report. Such debate would undoubtedly have overtones of maladministration of a ministry, of non-confidence in a Minister and censure of a Minister. *Parliamentary Practice in British Columbia*, 2nd edition at page 45 reads as follows on this very issue:

"A motion under Standing Order 35 should not be a censure or non-confidence motion nor should it deal with a question of maladministration of a ministry."

There is a long standing practice to refrain from reflecting on the conduct of a Member or Minister except by way of a substantive motion, of which notice is required.

I refer the House to a decision of the Chair — April 21, 1994 — the essence of which is as follows:

"In my view the allegation is a matter which relates to the conduct of a Member and as such the authorities clearly indicate that the issue should be raised by substantive motion."

Members may further consult the *House of Commons Debates* — January 22, 1987, page 2577 — where this principle was applied specifically in relation to the conduct of a Minister in very similar circumstances.

For the above reasons, I find that the Member's application fails to meet the requirements under Standing Order 35 and therefore cannot succeed.

EMERY O. BARNES, Speaker

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 37) intituled *Victims of Crime Act*, a debate arose.

On the motion of Mr. Serwa, the debate was adjourned until later today.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered later today. Committee to sit again later today. The House recessed for thirty-five minutes.

THIRTY-FIVE MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Forests).

(IN THE HOUSE)

Bill (No. 20) intituled Guaranteed Available Income for Need Amendment Act, 1995, was committed.

Section 7 of Bill (No. 20) passed, on division.

Section 25.2 contained within section 8 of Bill (No. 20) passed, on division.

Mr. *Anderson* moved an amendment to section 25.3 contained within section 8 of Bill (No. 20) which was defeated, on division.

Section 25.3 contained within section 8 of Bill (No. 20) passed, on division.

In consideration of section 8 of Bill (No. 20), the Committee divided as follows:

	YE	AS31	
Petter	Perry	MacPhail	Jackson
Dosanjh	Hagen	Ramsey	Sawicki
Priddy	Hammell	Pullinger	Simpson
Edwards	B. Jones	Sihota	Streifel
Zirnhelt	Lortie	Randall	Boone
Charbonneau	Giesbrecht	Farnworth	Schreck
O'Neill	Gabelmann	Doyle	Brewin
Garden	Clark	Janssen	
	Na	ys—14	
Dalton	Gingell	Anderson	Fox
Warnke	Stephens	Symons	Neufeld
Reid	Hanson	van Dongen	Chisholm
Hurd	Jarvis		

Section 9 of Bill (No. 20) passed, on division.

Bill (No. 20) was reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 41) intituled *Child, Family and Community Service Amendment Act, 1995*, was committed and reported complete with amendment.

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

Bill (No. 47) intituled *Child*, *Youth and Family Advocacy Amendment Act*, 1995, was committed, reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Social Services).

### (In Committee)

- 53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$402,165 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Social Services, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1996.
- 54. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,781,112,835 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Social Services, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1996.

Section B of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the Estimates of the Ministry of Social Services.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Hon. G. Glark advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

And then the House adjourned at 10.15 p.m.

# **Tuesday, June 20, 1995**

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Ms. Hammell.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Forests).

(In the House)

Bill (No. 31) intituled *Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, 1995*, was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 37) intituled *Victims of Crime Act*.

The debate continued.

Bill (No. 37) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 38) intituled *Criminal Injury Compensation Amendment Act*, 1995, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 38) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 26) intituled *Criminal Records Review Act*, a debate arose.

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

### (In Committee — Section A)

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Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.50 a.m.

# **Tuesday, June 20, 1995**

Two o'clock P.M.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. Farnworth presented a petition.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Forests).

#### (In the House)

Bill (No. 22) intituled Farm Practices Protection (Right to Farm) Act was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 41) intituled *Child, Family and Community Service Amendment Act, 1995*, was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 39) intituled *International Registration Plan Statutes Amendment Act, 1995*, was read a second time, and by leave committed, reported complete without amendment, and by leave read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 29) intituled *Employment Standards Act* was again committed.

A proposed amendment by Ms. *Tyabji* on the Order Paper to section 42 (3) (b) of Bill (No. 29) was defeated, on division.

A proposed amendment by Ms. *Tyabji* on the Order Paper to section 42 (4) of Bill (No. 29) was defeated, on division.

A proposed amendment by Ms. *Tyabji* on the Order Paper to section 50 (1) of Bill (No. 29) was defeated, on division.

In consideration of section 52 of Bill (No. 29), the Committee divided.

Section passed *nemine contradicente* on the following division:

	YEAS—56		
Petter	Cull	Reid	Symons
Marzari	Gabelmann	Campbell	K. Jones
Pement	Clark	Farrell-Collins	van Dongen
Priddy	MacPhail	Gingell	de Jong
Cashore	Ramsey	Stephens	Fox
Zirnhelt	Barlee	Weisgerber	Neufeld
Charbonneau	Pullinger	Serwa	Chisholm
O'Neill	Sihota	Tyabji	Boone
Garden	Randall	Jackson	Hartley
Hammell	Farnworth	Sawicki	Lali
B. Jones	Doyle	Simpson	Schreck
Lortie	Janssen	Tanner	Copping
Miller	Dalton	Jarvis	Brewin
Smallwood	Warnke	Anderson	Krog

In consideration of section 53 of Bill (No. 29), the Committee divided.

Section passed *nemine contradicente* on the following division:

	Yeas—56		
Petter	Cull	Reid	Symons
Marzari	Gabelmann	Campbell	K. Jones
Pement	Clark	Farrell-Collins	van Dongen
Priddy	MacPhail	Gingell	de Jong
Cashore	Ramsey	Stephens	Fox
Zirnhelt	Barlee	Weisgerber	Neufeld
Charbonneau	Pullinger	Serwa	Chisholm
O'Neill	Sihota	Tyabji	Boone
Garden	Randall	Jackson	Hartley
Hammell	Farnworth	Sawicki	Lali
B. Jones	Doyle	Simpson	Schreck
Lortie	Janssen	Tanner	Copping
Miller	Dalton	Jarvis	Brewin
Smallwood	Warnke	Anderson	Krog

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

Bill to be considered later today.

- 35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$432,868 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Forests, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1996.
- 36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$498,046,795 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Forests, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1996.
- 37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$62,384,253 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Forests, Fire Suppression, to 31st March 1996.
- 65. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,290,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Forest Practices Board, to 31st March 1996.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the Estimates of the Ministry of Forests.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

By agreement, summary debate of estimates passed in Section A (Ministry of Forests) to be considered later today.

The House recessed for thirty-five minutes.

THIRTY-FIVE MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Employment and Investment).

(IN THE HOUSE)

Bill (No. 29) intituled *Employment Standards Act* was again committed.

Mr. Fox moved an amendment to section 83 of Bill (No. 29) which was defeated, on division.

Section 96 of Bill (No. 29) passed, on division.

Section 107 of Bill (No. 29) passed, on division.

Section 114 of Bill (No. 29) passed, on division.

Bill (No. 29) was reported complete with amendment.

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

Bill (No. 35) intituled Fire and Police Services Collective Bargaining Act was committed.

Mr. Fox moved an amendment to section 1 of Bill (No. 35) which was defeated, on division.

Mr. Weisgerber moved an amendment to add a new section 2.1 of Bill (No. 35) which was defeated on the following division:

		Yeas—15	
Dalton Warnke Campbell Farrell-Collins	Gingell Stephens Weisgerber Serwa	Jarvis Anderson Symons K. Jones	van Dongen Fox Neufeld
	Nays—31		
Marzari	B. Jones	Pullinger	Simpson
Pement	Lortie	Sihota	Hartley
Priddy	Miller	Randall	Lali
Cashore	Harcourt	Farnworth	Schreck
Zirnhelt	Gabelmann	Doyle	Copping
Charbonneau	Clark	Janssen	Brewin
Garden	MacPhail	Tyabji	Krog
Hammell	Barlee	Jackson	_

Mr. *Fox* moved an amendment to section 4 of Bill (No. 35) which was defeated on the following division:

		Yeas—15	
Dalton	Gingell	Tanner	K. Jones
Warnke	Stephens	Jarvis	van Dongen
Campbell	Weisgerber	Anderson	Fox
Farrell-Collins	Serwa	Symons	
	Nays—31		
Marzari	B. Jones	Pullinger	Simpson
Pement	Lortie	Sihota	Hartley
Priddy	Miller	Randall	Lali
Cashore	Harcourt	Farnworth	Schreck
Zirnhelt	Gabelmann	Doyle	Copping
Charbonneau	Clark	Janssen	Brewin
Garden	MacPhail	Tyabji	Krog
Hammell	Barlee	Jackson	

Mr. Fox moved an amendment to section 4 of Bill (No. 35) which was defeated, on division.

Bill (No. 35) was reported complete with amendment.

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

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 10.30 p.m.

# Wednesday, June 21, 1995

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Janssen.

The Speaker declared a short recess.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor having entered the House, and being seated in the Chair — *E. George MacMinn*, Q.C., Clerk of the House, read the titles to the following Bills:

Bill (No. 9) Water Protection Act.

Bill (No. 12) Arts Council Act.

Bill (No. 14) Tourism Act.

Bill (No. 16) Class Proceedings Act.

Bill (No. 20) Guaranteed Available Income for Need Amendment Act, 1995.

Bill (No. 22) Farm Practices Protection (Right to Farm) Act.

Bill (No. 23) Education Statutes Amendment Act, 1995.

Bill (No. 25) Motor Vehicle Amendment Act, 1995.

Bill (No. 27) Pharmacists, Pharmacy Operations and Drug Scheduling Amendment Act, 1995.

Bill (No. 30) Health Statutes Amendment Act, 1995.

Bill (No. 31) Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, 1995.

Bill (No. 34) Offence Amendment Act, 1995.

Bill (No. 39) International Registration Plan Statutes Amendment Act, 1995.

Bill (No. 41) Child, Family and Community Service Amendment Act, 1995.

Bill (No. 42) Forest Amendment Act, 1995.

Bill (No. 43) School Sites Acquisition Statutes Amendment Act, 1995.

Bill (No. 47) Child, Youth and Family Advocacy Amendment Act, 1995.

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

The said assent was announced by *E. George MacMinn*, Q.C., Clerk of the House in the following words:

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

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

The Hon. *J. MacPhail* (Minister of Social Services) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

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Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 51) intituled *Adoption Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

June 13, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill Ordered to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. A. Petter (Minister of Forests) tabled the Annual Report of the Ministry of Forests, 1993/94.

On the motion of Mr. *Chisholm*, Bill (No. M209) intituled *An Act to Introduce a Minimum Ethanol Component for Gasoline* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Section A of Committee of Supply having reported the last vote of the Estimates of the Ministry of Forests, debate on those Estimates was summarized, pursuant to Sessional Order of April 10, 1995.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Employment and Investment).

(IN THE HOUSE)

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 26) intituled *Criminal Records Review Act*.

Mr. *Dalton* moved the following amendment:

That the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 26) the *Criminal Records Review Act*, be amended by deleting all the words after "that" and substituting therefor the following:

"Bill (No. 26) not be read a second time, but that the subject matter be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Justice, Constitutional Affairs and Intergovernmental Relations."

The debate on the amendment continued.

The House divided.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:

		Yeas—2	
Dalton	Farrell-Collins		
		Nays—51	
Petter	Giesbrecht	Randall	Streifel
Dosanjh	Miller	Farnworth	Lord
Marzari	Smallwood	Conroy	Fox
Cashore	Cull	Doyle	Neufeld
Zirnhelt	Harcourt	Janssen	Chisholm
Charbonneau	Gabelmann	Weisgerber	Boone
O'Neill	Clark	Hanson	Hartley
Garden	MacPhail	Serwa	Lali
Perry	Ramsey	Wilson	Schreck
Hagen	Barlee	Tyabji	Copping
Kasper	Pullinger	Jackson	Brewin
Hammell	Sihota	Sawicki	Krog
B. Jones	Evans	Simpson	

The debate was resumed on the main motion.

The House divided.

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

Petter	Ramsey	Gingell	Jarvis
Dosanjh	Barlee	Stephens	Anderson
Marzari	Lovick	Weisgerber	Symons
O'Neill	Pullinger	Hanson	K. Jones
Garden	Evans	Serwa	van Dongen
Hagen	Randall	Wilson	Fox
Kasper	Farnworth	Tyabji	Chisholm
Giesbrecht	Conroy	Jackson	Boone
Miller	Doyle	Sawicki	Hartley
Smallwood	Janssen	Simpson	Schreck
Cull	Dalton	Streifel	Copping
Gabelmann	Warnke	Lord	Brewin
Clark	Farrell-Collins	Tanner	Krog
MacPhail	Hurd		

Bill (No. 26) 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. 49) intituled Royal Roads University Act was committed.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again. Bill to be considered later today.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

The House recessed for thirty-five minutes.

THIRTY-FIVE MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Employment and Investment).

(In the House)

Bill (No. 49) intituled *Royal Roads University Act* was again committed, reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 40) intituled Health Authorities Amendment Act, 1995, was committed.

In consideration of the motion that the Committee rise and report Bill (No. 40) complete without amendment, the Committee divided as follows:

		Yeas—33	
Dosanjh	Hammell	Barlee	Streifel
Marzari	Giesbrecht	Lovick	Lord
Pement	Miller	Evans	Boone
Zirnhelt	Smallwood	Conroy	Lali
O'Neill	Gabelmann	Doyle	Schreck
Garden	Clark	Jackson	Copping
Perry	MacPhail	Sawicki	Brewin
Hagen	Ramsey	Simpson	Krog
Kasper			
		Nays—18	
Dalton	Stephens	Anderson	de Jong
Warnke	Hanson	Symons	Fox
Reid	Wilson	K. Jones	Neufeld
Farrell-Collins	Tanner	van Dongen	Chisholm
Gingell	Jarvis		

Bill (No. 40) was reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 37) intituled *Victims of Crime Act* was committed.

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Section 9 of Bill (No. 37) passed, on division.

Bill (No. 37) reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 38) intituled *Criminal Injury Compensation Amendment Act*, 1995, was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 33) intituled *Finance and Corporate Relations Statutes Amendment Act*, 1995, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 33) 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. 44) intituled Securities Amendment Act (No. 2), 1995, was committed.

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

(In Committee — Section A)

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Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 10.28 p.m.

# Thursday, June 22, 1995

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Farnworth.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Employment and Investment).

(IN THE HOUSE)

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 50) intituled *Motor Vehicle Amendment Act* (No. 2), 1995, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

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

Marzari	Clark	Reid	Jarvis
Pement	MacPhail	Farrell-Collins	Anderson
Cashore	Ramsey	Gingell	Symons
Charbonneau	Barlee	Stephens	K. Jones
O'Neill	Lovick	Weisgerber	Fox
Garden	Pullinger	Hanson	Neufeld
Hagen	Evans	Serwa	Boone
Kasper	Farnworth	Wilson	Hartley
Hammell	Conroy	Tyabji	Lali
Giesbrecht	Doyle	Jackson	Schreck
Miller	Janssen	Simpson	Copping
Smallwood	Dalton	Lord	Brewin
Gabelmann	Warnke	Tanner	Krog

Bill (No. 50) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 48) intituled Access to Abortion Services Act, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

## **Thursday, June 22, 1995**

Two o'clock P.M.

The Hon. *U. Dosanjh* (Minister of Government Services and Minister Responsible for Multiculturalism, Human Rights, Sports and Immigration) tabled the British Columbia Lottery Corporation Annual Report, March 31, 1994.

The Hon. *J. Cashore* (Minister of Aboriginal Affairs) tabled the following: British Columbia Treaty Commission, First Annual Report, 1993-1994, and British Columbia Treaty Commission, Second Annual Report, 1994-1995.

The Hon. *P. Ramsey* (Minister of Health and Minister Responsible for Seniors) tabled the Ministry of Health and Ministry Responsible for Seniors Annual Report, 1993/94.

The Hon. *J. Pement* (Minister of Transportation and Highways) tabled the Motor Carrier Commission Annual Report, 1993/1994.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. *Hurd* presented a petition regarding recent changes in the *Adoption Act* regulations.

By leave, the Hon. *J. Pement* (Minister of Transportation and Highways) tabled a copy of statistics relating to a speed management program.

The Hon. J. Cashore (Minister of Aboriginal Affairs) made a ministerial statement regarding the Adams Lake Road blockade.

Mr. Warnke made a statement.

Mr. Weisgerber made a statement.

Mr. Wilson sought leave to make a statement.

Leave not granted.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 29) intituled *Employment Standards Act*, the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		Yeas—35	
Marzari Pement Cashore Charbonneau O'Neill Garden Hagen Kasper Hammell	Giesbrecht Smallwood Gabelmann Clark MacPhail Ramsey Barlee Lovick Pullinger	Evans Farnworth Conroy Doyle Janssen Wilson Tyabji Jackson Simpson	Lord Boone Hartley Lali Schreck Copping Brewin Krog
		Nays—18	
Dalton Warnke Reid Farrell-Collins Hurd	Stephens Weisgerber Hanson Serwa Mitchell	Tanner Jarvis Anderson Symons	K. Jones de Jong Fox Neufeld

Bill (No. 29) was read a third time and passed.

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 35) intituled *Fire and Police Services Collective Bargaining Act*, the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

	Yeas—35		
Marzari	Giesbrecht	Evans	Lord
Pement	Smallwood	Farnworth	Boone
Cashore	Gabelmann	Conroy	Hartley
Charbonneau	Clark	Doyle	Lali
O'Neill	MacPhail	Janssen	Schreck
Garden	Ramsey	Wilson	Copping
Hagen	Barlee	Tyabji	Brewin
Kasper	Lovick	Jackson	Krog
Hammell	Pullinger	Simpson	

#### Nays—18

Dalton Tanner K. Jones Stephens de Jong Warnke Weisgerber Jarvis Reid Hanson Anderson Fox Farrell-Collins Neufeld Serwa Symons Hurd Mitchell

Bill (No. 35) was read a third time and passed.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Employment and Investment).

(In the House)

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 48) intituled *Access to Abortion Services Act*.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		Yeas—43	
Petter	Giesbrecht	Farnworth	Lord
Dosanjh	Smallwood	Conroy	Anderson
Pement	Gabelmann	Doyle	Symons
Cashore	Clark	Janssen	Boone
Zirnhelt	MacPhail	Reid	Hartley
Charbonneau	Ramsey	Farrell-Collins	Lali
O'Neill	Barlee	Hurd	Schreck
Garden	Lovick	Stephens	Copping
Hagen	Pullinger	Serwa	Brewin
Kasper	Evans	Jackson	Krog
Hammell	Randall	Simpson	
		Nays—6	
Weisgerber	Tyabji	Fox	Neufeld
Hanson	K. Jones		

Bill (No. 48) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

The House recessed for forty minutes.

#### FIFTY-FIVE MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Employment and Investment).

#### (In the House)

Bill (No. 26) intituled Criminal Records Review Act was committed.

Mr. Weisgerber moved an amendment to section 1 of Bill (No. 26) which was defeated, on division.

Mr. Serwa moved an amendment to section 1 of Bill (No. 26) which was defeated, on division.

Mr. Weisgerber moved an amendment to section 4 of Bill (No. 26) which was defeated, on division.

Ms. Tyabji moved an amendment to section 5 of Bill (No. 26) which was defeated, on division.

Ms. *Tyabji* moved a further amendment to section 5 of Bill (No. 26) which was defeated, on division.

Ms. Tyabji moved an amendment to section 11 of Bill (No. 26) which was defeated, on division.

Mr. Weisgerber moved an amendment to section 56 of Bill (No. 26) which was defeated, on division.

Bill (No. 26) was reported complete with amendment.

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 32) intituled *Human Rights Amendment Act*, 1995, a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		Yeas—37	
Petter	Lortie	Evans	Simpson
Dosanjh	Giesbrecht	Randall	Lord
Pement	Smallwood	Farnworth	Tanner
Priddy	Clark	Conroy	Anderson
Zirnhelt	MacPhail	Doyle	K. Jones
Charbonneau	Ramsey	Janssen	Hartley
O'Neill	Barlee	Dalton	Lali
Garden	Lovick	Wilson	Schreck
Hammell	Pullinger	Tyabji	Krog
B. Jones			
		Nays—4	
Weisgerber	Hanson	Serwa	Neufeld

Bill (No. 32) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

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(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.15 p.m.

# **Friday, June 23, 1995**

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Lovick.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

Section A of Committee of Supply having reported the last vote of the Estimates of the Ministry of Women's Equality, debate on those Estimates was summarized, pursuant to Sessional Order of April 10, 1995.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Employment and Investment).

(In Committee — Section B)

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Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 12.53 p.m.

# **Monday, June 26, 1995**

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Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by the Speaker.

The Hon. E. Cull (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) tabled the following:

Financial Statements of the British Columbia Educational Institutions Capital Financing Authority, as at March 31, 1995.

Annual Report of the business done in pursuance of the *Pension (College) Act*, year ended August 1, 1994.

Report of Guarantees and Indemnities Issued and Authorized by Treasury Board or the Lieutenant Governor in Council for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1995.

The Hon. *U. Dosanjh* (Minister of Government Services and Minister Responsible for Multiculturalism, Human Rights, Sports and Immigration) made a ministerial statement regarding the 50th anniversary of the United Nations.

Mr. Campbell made a statement.

Mr. Weisgerber made a statement.

By leave, Mr. Wilson made a statement.

On the motion of Mr. *Chisholm*, Bill (No. M210) intituled *Court Information 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."

Mr. Hanson presented a petition regarding recent changes to adoption policy.

Mr. Chisholm presented a petition.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks).

(In the House)

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 51) intituled Adoption Act, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

	Yeas—45		
Dosanjh	Miller	Doyle	Jackson
Marzari	Smallwood	Janssen	Sawicki
Pement	Cull	Dalton	Simpson
Charbonneau	MacPhail	Warnke	Anderson
O'Neill	Ramsey	Reid	Symons
Garden	Barlee	Farrell-Collins	K. Jones
Perry	Lovick	Hurd	de Jong
Hagen	Pullinger	Gingell	Boone
Kasper	Evans	Stephens	Lali
B. Jones	Randall	Wilson	Schreck
Lortie	Farnworth	Tyabji	Krog
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Weisgerber Fox Neufeld Chisholm

Bill (No. 51) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

 $(\hbox{In Committee} - \hbox{Section A})$ 

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

The House recessed for thirty-five minutes.

FIFTY MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M. ORDER FOR COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY CALLED.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks).

(In the House)

Bill (No. 48) intituled Access to Abortion Services Act, was committed.

Section 1 of Bill (No. 48) passed, on division.

In consideration of the title of Bill (No. 48) the Committee divided as follows:

		YEAS—38	
Dosanjh	Lortie	Doyle	Sawicki
Marzari	Giesbrecht	Janssen	Simpson
Pement	Miller	Warnke	Anderson
Cashore	Smallwood	Reid	Symons
Charbonneau	Cull	Farrell-Collins	Boone
Garden	Ramsey	Hurd	Lali
Perry	Pullinger	Gingell	Schreck
Hagen	Evans	Stephens	Brewin
Kasper	Randall	Jackson	Krog
B. Jones	Farnworth		
		Nays—8	
Weisgerber	Wilson	K. Jones	Neufeld
Hanson	Tyabji	Fox	Chisholm

Bill (No. 48) was reported complete without amendment.

Bill (No. 48) to be read a third time at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 32) intituled *Human Rights Amendment Act*, 1995, was committed.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again. Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting. Committee to sit again at the next sitting. And then the House adjourned at 10.40 p.m.

# **Tuesday, June 27, 1995**

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Gingell.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks).

(In the House)

Bill (No. 32) intituled *Human Rights Amendment Act*, 1995, was again committed.

In consideration of section 10 contained within section 4 of Bill (No. 32), the Committee divided as follows:

	Yeas—40		
Dosanjh	Giesbrecht	Evans	Simpson
Pement	Miller	Randall	Streifel
Cashore	Smallwood	Doyle	Jarvis
Garden	Cull	Janssen	Anderson
Perry	Gabelmann	Dalton	Symons
Hagen	MacPhail	Warnke	de Jong
Kasper	Ramsey	Reid	Boone
Hammell	Barlee	Stephens	Lali
B. Jones	Pullinger	Jackson	Schreck
Lortie	Sihota	Sawicki	Krog
		Nays—8	
Weisgerber	Serwa	Tyabji	Neufeld
Hanson	Wilson	Fox	Chisholm

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 12.04 p.m.

## **Tuesday, June 27, 1995**

Two o'clock P.M.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. van Dongen presented a petition regarding changes to the Adoption Act.

Mr. Gingell presented a petition.

Mr. Farnworth presented a petition supporting changes to the Adoption Act.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 48) intituled Access to Abortion Act, the House divided.

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Motion agreed to on the following division:

	YEAS—49		
Dosanjh	Giesbrecht	Farnworth	Simpson
Pement	Miller	Doyle	Streifel
Cashore	Smallwood	Janssen	Jarvis
Zirnhelt	Cull	Warnke	Anderson
Charbonneau	Harcourt	Campbell	Symons
O'Neill	Gabelmann	Farrell-Collins	de Jong
Garden	MacPhail	Hurd	Boone
Perry	Ramsey	Gingell	Hartley
Hagen	Barlee	Stephens	Lali
Kasper	Lovick	Serwa	Schreck
Hammell	Pullinger	Jackson	Brewin
B. Jones	Sihota	Sawicki	Krog
Lortie			
		Nays—9	
Weisgerber	Wilson	K. Jones	Neufeld
Hanson	Tyabji	Fox	Chisholm
Mitchell			

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 26) intituled *Criminal Records Review Act*, the House divided.

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

	YEAS—58		
Dosanjh	Smallwood	Farrell-Collins	Jarvis
Pement	Cull	Hurd	Anderson
Cashore	Harcourt	Gingell	Symons
Zirnhelt	Gabelmann	Stephens	K. Jones
Charbonneau	MacPhail	Weisgerber	de Jong
O'Neill	Ramsey	Hanson	Fox
Garden	Barlee	Serwa	Neufeld
Perry	Lovick	Mitchell	Chisholm
Hagen	Pullinger	Wilson	Boone
Kasper	Sihota	Tyabji	Hartley
Hammell	Farnworth	Jackson	Lali
B. Jones	Doyle	Sawicki	Schreck
Lortie	Janssen	Simpson	Brewin
Giesbrecht	Warnke	Streifel	Krog
Miller	Campbell		

Bill (No. 26) was read a third time and passed.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks).

(IN THE HOUSE)

Bill (No. 32) intituled Human Rights Amendment Act, 1995, was again committed.

Mr. Weisgerber moved an amendment to section 33 (2) (c) (ii) contained within section 4 of Bill (No. 32), which was defeated on the following division:

		Yeas—21	
Dalton	Stephens	Wilson	van Dongen
Warnke	Weisgerber	Jarvis	de Jong
Campbell	Hanson	Anderson	Fox
Farrell-Collins	Serwa	Symons	Neufeld
Hurd	Mitchell	K. Jones	Chisholm
Gingell			
		Nays—34	
Petter	Hagen	Ramsey	Simpson
Dosanjh	Hammell	Barlee	Streifel
Pement	Lortie	Lovick	Boone
Cashore	Giesbrecht	Farnworth	Hartley
Zirnhelt	Miller	Doyle	Lali
Charbonneau	Smallwood	Janssen	Schreck
O'Neill	Cull	Jackson	Brewin
Garden	Gabelmann	Sawicki	Krog
Perry	MacPhail		

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 32), the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

	YEAS—49		
Petter	Miller	Janssen	Streifel
Dosanjh	Smallwood	Dalton	Anderson
Pement	Cull	Warnke	Symons
Cashore	Harcourt	Campbell	van Dongen
Zirnhelt	Gabelmann	Farrell-Collins	de Jong
Charbonneau	MacPhail	Hurd	Chisholm
O'Neill	Ramsey	Gingell	Boone
Garden	Barlee	Stephens	Hartley
Perry	Lovick	Wilson	Lali
Hagen	Pullinger	Jackson	Schreck
Hammell	Farnworth	Sawicki	Brewin
Lortie	Doyle	Simpson	Krog
Giesbrecht			
		Nays—6	
Weisgerber	Serwa	Fox	Neufeld
Hanson	Mitchell		

By leave, Bill (No. 32) read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 50) intituled *Motor Vehicle Amendment Act* (No. 2), 1995, was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 28) intituled *Election Act*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. *Mitchell*, the debate was adjourned until later today.

- 30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$399,564 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks and Ministry Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1996.
- 31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$211,373,276 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks and Ministry Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1996.
- 64. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,491,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Environmental Appeal Board and Forest Appeals Commission, to 31st March 1996.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the Estimates of the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

By agreement, summary debate of estimates passed in Section A (Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks) to be considered later today.

The House recessed for forty minutes.

#### FIFTY-FIVE MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Government Services and Ministry Responsible for Multiculturalism, Human Rights, Sports and Immigration).

(In the House)

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

The debate continued.

Ms. *Tyabji* moved the following amendment:

That this bill not now be read a second time, but that it be referred to a committee of the whole House for study and discussion, and be taken to the public where, through a process of public meetings, the public's view may be heard.

The Deputy Speaker ruled that the amendment was not in order. Pursuant to Standing Order 78A, only the Member having conduct of the Bill could move a motion to refer the Bill to a Committee. The customary amendment to the motion for second reading would propose to refer the subject matter of the Bill to a Select Standing Committee.

The debate continued.

Mr. Wilson moved the following amendment:

That Bill (No. 28) be amended by deleting all of the words after "that" and adding "that this Bill not be read a second time now but rather that the subject matter be referred to the Select Standing Committee of the House on Justice, Constitutional Affairs and Intergovernmental Relations."

The debate on the amendment continued.

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

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Hon. C. Gabelmann advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

And then the House adjourned at 10.59 p.m.

### Wednesday, June 28, 1995

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Hurd.

The Hon. C. Gabelmann (Attorney General) made a ministerial statement relating to the establishment of a panel to review claims and award compensation where appropriate as recommended by Justice Thomas R. Berger, O.C., Q.C., in his report on sexual abuse at Jericho Hill School for the Deaf; and announced the formal acknowledgement by the government of American Sign Language and its importance to the community.

By leave, the Hon. C. Gabelmann tabled the Report of Special Counsel regarding Claims Arising out of Sexual Abuse at Jericho Hill School.

Mr. Dalton made a statement.

Mr. Neufeld made a statement.

By leave, Mr. Wilson made a statement.

The Hon. *B. Barlee* (Minister of Small Business, Tourism and Culture) tabled the British Columbia Heritage Trust Financial Statements as at March 31, 1995.

The Hon. *E. Cull* (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) tabled the Auditor General Annual Report, 1995.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Section A of Committee of Supply having reported the last vote of the Estimates of the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks and Ministry Responsible for Multiculturalism and Human Rights, debate on those Estimates was summarized, pursuant to Sessional Order of April 10, 1995.

Section A of Committee of Supply having reported the last vote of the Estimates of the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources, debate on those Estimates was summarized, pursuant to Sessional Order of April 10, 1995.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Government Services and Ministry Responsible for Multiculturalism, Human Rights, Sports and Immigration).

### (IN THE HOUSE)

Bill (No. 33) intituled *Finance and Corporate Relations Statutes Amendment Act, 1995*, was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 44) intituled *Securities Amendment Act* (No. 2), 1995, was again committed, reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 51) intituled Adoption Act was committed.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again. Bill to be considered later today.

(In Committee — Section A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

The House recessed for thirty-five minutes.

THIRTY-FIVE MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Employment and Investment).

(IN THE HOUSE)

Bill (No. 51) intituled Adoption Act was again committed.

In consideration of section 5 of Bill (No. 51) the Committee divided as follows:

	Yeas—37		
Dosanjh Marzari Pement Edwards Zirnhelt Charbonneau O'Neill Perry B. Jones Giesbrecht	Miller Gabelmann Clark MacPhail Barlee Sihota Evans Randall Conroy	Doyle Janssen Reid Farrell-Collins Stephens Tyabji Jackson Streifel Lord	Jarvis Anderson Symons Boone Hartley Lali Schreck Copping Brewin
		Nays—8	
Hurd Hanson	Serwa Mitchell	K. Jones Fox	Neufeld Chisholm

In consideration of section 29 of Bill (No. 51) the Committee divided as follows:

Dosanjh	Yeas—37		
	Miller	Doyle	Jarvis
Marzari	Gabelmann	Janssen	Anderson
Pement	Clark	Reid	Symons
Edwards	MacPhail	Farrell-Collins	Boone
Zirnhelt	Barlee	Stephens	Hartley
Charbonneau	Sihota	Tyabji	Lali
O'Neill	Evans	Jackson	Schreck
Perry	Randall	Streifel	Copping
B. Jones	Conroy	Lorď	Brewin
Giesbrecht	-		

Nays—9

Dalton Serwa K. Jones Neufeld Hurd Mitchell Fox Chisholm Hanson

Bill (No. 51) was reported complete with amendment.

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

(In Committee — Section A)

- 24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$375,615 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Employment and Investment, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1996.
- 25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$380,987,385 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Employment and Investment, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1996.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the Estimates of the Ministry of Employment and Investment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply having reported the last vote of the Estimates of the Ministry of Employment and Investment, debate on those Estimates was summarized, pursuant to Sessional Order of April 10, 1995.

And then the House adjourned at 10.15 p.m.

# **Thursday, June 29, 1995**

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. K. Jones.

The Hon. *D. Zirnhelt* (Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food) tabled the Okanagan Valley Tree Fruit Authority Annual Report, 1994-1995.

The Hon. *P. Ramsey* (Minister of Health and Minister Responsible for Seniors) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

Garde B. Gardom

Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 54) intituled *An Act to Protect Medicare* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

June 28, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill Ordered to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. E. Barnes, Speaker, tabled the British Columbia Legislative Library Annual Report, 1994.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Government Services and Ministry Responsible for Multiculturalism, Human Rights, Sports and Immigration).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Office of the Premier and Cabinet Office).

(In Committee)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 12.04 p.m.

# **Thursday, June 29, 1995**

Two o'clock P.M.

The Hon. *J. Smallwood* (Minister of Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services) tabled the Ministry of Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services Annual Report, 1993/94.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Government Services and Ministry Responsible for Multiculturalism, Human Rights, Sports and Immigration).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Office of the Premier and Cabinet Office).

(In Committee)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

The House recessed for forty minutes.

THIRTY-FIVE MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Government Services and Ministry Responsible for Multiculturalism, Human Rights, Sports and Immigration).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Office of the Premier and Cabinet Office).

The House continued to sit past midnight.

(In Committee — Section B)

- 8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,365,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Office of the Premier and Cabinet Office, Office of the Premier and Cabinet Office, to 31st March 1996.
- 9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,900,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Office of the Premier and Cabinet Office, British Columbia Trade Development Corporation, to 31st March 1996.
- 7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,020,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ombudsman, Ombudsman, to 31st March 1996.
- 6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,600,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Information and Privacy Commissioner, Information and Privacy Commissioner, to 31st March 1996.
- 5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$185,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Conflict of Interest Commissioner, Conflict of Interest Commissioner, to 31st March 1996.
- 4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,167,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Commission on Resources and Environment, Commission on Resources and Environment, to 31st March 1996.
- 3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$600,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Office of the Child Advocate, Office of the Child Advocate, to 31st March 1996.
- 2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,700,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Auditor General, Auditor General, to 31st March 1996.
- 1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,306,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, Legislation, to 31st March 1996.

Section B of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered later today.

The Chair reported that in consideration of Vote 8, the Committee divided as follows:

Petter	B. Jones	Pullinger	Sawicki
Dosanjh	Lortie	Sihota	Streifel
Edwards	Giesbrecht	Evans	Lali
Zirnhelt	Smallwood	Randall	Schreck
O'Neill	Cull	Farnworth	Copping
Hagen	Harcourt	Conroy	Brewin
Kasper	Clark	Doyle	Krog
Hammell			
		Nays—10	
Warnke	Hurd	Anderson	van Dongen
Campbell	Gingell	K. Jones	de Jong
Farrell-Collins	Jarvis		

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

- 38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$371,984 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Government Services and Ministry Responsible for Sports, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1996.
- 39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$66,655,020 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Government Services and Ministry Responsible for Sports, Ministry Operations, to 31st March 1996.
- 40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,676,986 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Government Services and Ministry Responsible for Sports, Environmental Assessment and Land Use Coordination, to 31st March 1996.
- 41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Government Services and Ministry Responsible for Sports, Product Sales and Services, to 31st March 1996.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered later today.

The Hon. *M. F. Harcourt* (Premier) tabled the British Columbia Trade Corporation Annual Report, 1994-1995.

Section A of Committee of Supply having reported the last vote of the Estimates of the Ministry of Government Services and Ministry Responsible for Multiculturalism, Human Rights, Sports and Immigration, debate on those Estimates was summarized, pursuant to Sessional Order of April 10, 1995.

The Hon. E. Cull moved —

That the reports of resolutions from the Committees of Supply on April 20, April 24, April 26, May 2, May 9, May 25, June 1, June 6, June 7, June 12, June 13, June 15, June 19, June 20, June 27, June 28, and June 29 be now received, taken as read and agreed to.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. E. Cull moved —

That there be granted from and out of the consolidated revenue fund the sum of \$19 billion, 860 million, 819 thousand, 247 dollars. This sum includes that authorized to be paid under section 1 of the *Supply Act (No. 1)*, 1995, and is granted by Her Majesty towards defraying the charges and expenses of the public service of the province for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1996.

Motion agreed to.

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

Garde B. Gardom
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 52) intituled *Supply Act*, 1995-96 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

June 28, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Pursuant to Standing Order 81, Bill permitted to be advanced all stages this day.

The Speaker declared a short recess for distribution of the Bill.

Bill (No. 52) was read a second time.

On the motion of the Hon. E. Cull, Bill (No. 52) was referred to a Committee of the Whole House to be considered forthwith.

Bill (No. 52) intituled *Supply Act*, 1995-96 was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

The Speaker declared a short recess.

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. 26) Criminal Records Review Act.

Bill (No. 29) Employment Standards Act.

Bill (No. 32) Human Rights Amendment Act, 1995.

Bill (No. 33) Finance and Corporate Relations Statutes Amendment Act, 1995.

Bill (No. 35) Fire and Police Services Collective Bargaining Act.

Bill (No. 37) Victims of Crime Act.

Bill (No. 38) Criminal Injury Compensation Amendment Act, 1995.

Bill (No. 40) Health Authorities Amendment Act, 1995.

Bill (No. 44) Securities Amendment Act (No.2), 1995.

Bill (No. 48) Access to Abortion Services Act.

Bill (No. 49) Royal Roads University Act.

Bill (No. 50) Motor Vehicle Amendment Act (No. 2), 1995.

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

The said assent was announced by *Ian D. Izard*, Esq., Law Clerk and Clerk Assistant, in the following words:

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

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

Bill (No. 52) Supply Act, 1995-96.

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

The said assent was announced by *Ian D. Izard*, Esq., Law Clerk and Clerk Assistant, in the following words:

"In Her Majesty's name, His Honour the Lieutenant Governor doth thank Her Majesty's loyal subjects, accepts their benevolence, and assents to this Bill."

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

The Hon. G. Clark moved —

That the House at its rising stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday next.

Motion agreed to.

And then the House adjourned at 12.50 a.m.

### **Tuesday, July 4, 1995**

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by the Speaker.

The Hon. *C. Gabelmann* (Attorney General) tabled the Pacific Racing Association Annual Report for the year ended March 31, 1995.

The Hon. *A. Edwards* (Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources) tabled the British Columbia Utilities Commission Annual Report, 1994.

The Hon. *E. Cull* (Minister of Environment, Lands and Parks) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

Garde B. Gardom

Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 53) intituled *Park Amendment Act*, 1995 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

June 28, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. D. Marzari (Minister of Municipal Affairs) tabled the following:

Ministry of Municipal Affairs, Recreation and Culture Annual Reports 1989-90; 1990-91;

Ministry of Municipal Affairs, Recreation and Housing Annual Reports 1991-92; 1992-93. Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 51) intituled *Adoption Act*, the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		Yeas—50	
Marzari	Cull	Reid	Jarvis
Edwards	Harcourt	Campbell	Anderson
Zirnhelt	Gabelmann	Farrell-Collins	Symons
Charbonneau	Clark	Hurd	K. Jones
O'Neill	MacPhail	Gingell	van Dongen
Garden	Barlee	Wilson	de Jong
Perry	Lovick	Tyabji	Boone
Hagen	Evans	Jackson	Hartley
Kasper	Farnworth	Sawicki	Schreck
Hammell	Doyle	Simpson	Copping
Lortie	Janssen	Streifel	Brewin
Giesbrecht	Dalton	Lord	Krog
Miller	Warnke		
		Nays—6	
Weisgerber	Serwa	Neufeld	Chisholm
Hanson	Fox	-	

Bill (No. 51) read a third time and passed.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 28) intituled *Election Act*.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:

		Yeas—21	
Dalton	Weisgerber	Tyabji	van Dongen
Warnke	Hanson	Jarvis	de Jong
Reid	Serwa	Anderson	Fox
Campbell	Mitchell	Symons	Neufeld
Farrell-Collins	Wilson	K. Jones	Chisholm
Gingell			
		Nays—35	
Petter	Kasper	MacPhail	Streifel
Marzari	Hammell	Barlee	Lord
Edwards	Lortie	Sihota	Boone
Zirnhelt	Giesbrecht	Evans	Hartley
Charbonneau	Miller	Doyle	Schreck
O'Neill	Cull	Janssen	Copping
Garden	Harcourt	Jackson	Brewin
Perry	Gabelmann	Sawicki	Krog
Hagen	Clark	Simpson	

The debate was resumed on the main motion.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		Yeas—34	
Petter	Lortie	Lovick	Streifel
Edwards	Giesbrecht	Sihota	Lorď
Zirnhelt	Miller	Evans	Boone
Charbonneau	Cull	Farnworth	Hartley
O'Neill	Harcourt	Janssen	Schreck
Garden	Gabelmann	Jackson	Copping
Perry	Clark	Sawicki	Brewin
Hagen	MacPhail	Simpson	Krog
Hammell	Barlee	-	_
		Nays—21	
Dalton	Weisgerber	Tyabji	van Dongen
Warnke	Hanson	Jarvis	de Jong
Reid	Serwa	Anderson	Fox
Hurd	Mitchell	Symons	Neufeld
Gingell	Wilson	K. Jones	Chisholm
Stephens			

Bill (No. 28) 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 recessed for thirty-five minutes.

### THIRTY-FIVE MINUTES PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. G. Clark advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

Bill (No. 13) intituled Mineral Tenure Amendment Act, 1995, was again committed.

In consideration of section 12 of Bill (No. 13), the Committee divided as follows:

		Yeas—34	
Petter	Lortie	Barlee	Simpson
Edwards	Giesbrecht	Lovick	Streifel
Zirnhelt	Miller	Sihota	Lord
Charbonneau	Smallwood	Evans	Boone
O'Neill	Cull	Farnworth	Hartley
Garden	Harcourt	Janssen	Schreck
Perry	Gabelmann	Jackson	Copping
Hagen	Clark	Sawicki	Krog
Hammell	MacPhail		
		Nays—17	
Dalton	Stephens	Jarvis	van Dongen
Warnke	Mitchell	Anderson	de Jong
Reid	Wilson	Symons	Neufeld
Hurd	Tyabji	K. Jones	Chisholm
Gingell			

On the motion that the Committee rise and report progress, the Committee divided.

Motion defeated on the following division:

		YEAS—12	
Dalton	Stephens	Tyabji	van Dongen
Warnke	Serwa	Jarvis	de Jong
Reid	Wilson	K. Jones	Neufeld
		Nays—31	
Petter	Lortie	Barlee	Lord
Edwards	Giesbrecht	Sihota	Boone
Zirnhelt	Miller	Evans	Hartley
Charbonneau	Cull	Farnworth	Schreck
Garden	Harcourt	Janssen	Copping
Perry	Gabelmann	Sawicki	Brewin
Hagen	Clark	Simpson	Krog
Hammell	MacPhail	Streifel	ū

The Committee continued to sit.

Section 21 of Bill (No. 13) passed, on division.

On the motion that the Committee rise and report Bill (No. 13) complete with amendment, the Committee divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		Yeas—28	
Edwards	Giesbrecht	Lovick	Streifel
Zirnhelt	Miller	Sihota	Lord
Charbonneau	Cull	Evans	Boone
Garden	Harcourt	Farnworth	Hartley
Perry	Gabelmann	Janssen	Schreck
Hammell	Clark	Sawicki	Copping
Lortie	Barlee	Simpson	Krog
		Nays—10	
Dalton	Wilson	K. Jones	de Jong
Reid	Tyabji	van Dongen	Neufeld
Stephens	Jarvis	_	-

Bill (No. 13) was reported complete with amendment.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.40 p.m.

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Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Hanson.

The Hon. *C. Gabelmann* (Attorney General) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

# Garde B. Gardom Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 55) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No.* 3), 1995 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

June 30, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill Ordered to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Mr. *Campbell*, Bill (No. M211) intituled *MLA Pension Elimination Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. A. Petter (Minister of Forests) made a ministerial statement relating to the creation of the Forest Renewal BC Business Plan and referral of the Plan to a Legislative Committee; and tabled the 1995/96 Forest Renewal BC Business Plan.

Mr. Hurd made a statement.

Mr. Weisgerber made a statement.

Mr. Wilson sought leave to make a statement.

Leave not granted.

The Hon. *U. Dosanjh* (Minister of Government Services and Minister Responsible for Multiculturalism, Human Rights, Sports and Immigration) tabled the following:

Multiculturalism Annual Report, 1993/1994;

Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Annual Report for the period of October 4, 1993 to December 31, 1994, and BC Systems Corporation Annual Report, 1994/95. The Hon. E. Cull (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) tabled the Statement of 1994/95 Borrowings Pursuant to Section 41.5 of the Financial Administration Act, Schedule A, Schedule B and Schedule C.

The Hon. *E. Barnes* (Speaker) tabled the Auditor General of British Columbia and Deputy Ministers' Council Report — Enhancing Accountability for Performance in the British Columbia Public Sector.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. *Hartley* presented a petition.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 13) intituled *Mineral Tenure Amendment Act, 1995*, the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

Petter			
	Kasper	Barlee	Sawicki
Dosanjh	Hammell	Lovick	Simpson
Marzari	B. Jones	Pullinger	Streifel
Pement	Lortie	Sihota	Lorď
Edwards	Giesbrecht	Evans	Boone
Zirnhelt	Miller	Randall	Hartley
Charbonneau	Cull	Farnworth	Schreck
O'Neill	Harcourt	Doyle	Copping
Garden	Gabelmann	Janssen	Brewin
Perry	Clark	Jackson	Krog
Hagen	MacPhail		o o

Nays—22

Gingell Stephens Dalton Tyabjivan Dongen Warnke Jarvis de Jong Reid Weisgerber Anderson Fox CampbellNeufeld Hanson Symons Farrell-Collins Mitchell K. Jones Chisholm Hurd Wilson

Bill (No. 13) read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 28) intituled *Election Act* was committed.

In consideration of a proposed amendment by the Hon. C. Gabelmann on the Order Paper to section 1 of Bill (No. 28), the Committee divided as follows:

Petter		Yeas—43	
	Kasper	Barlee	Sawicki
Dosanjh	Hammell	Pullinger	Simpson
Marzari	B. Jones	Sihota	Streifel
Pement	Lortie	Evans	Lorď
Edwards	Giesbrecht	Randall	Boone
Zirnhelt	Miller	Farnworth	Hartley
Charbonneau	Cull	Doyle	Schreck
O'Neill	Harcourt	Janssen	Copping
Garden	Gabelmann	Mitchell	Brewin
Perry	Clark	Wilson	Krog
Hagen	MacPhail	Jackson	
	Nays—17		
Dalton	Gingell	Anderson	de Jong
Warnke	Weisgerber	Symons	Fox
Reid	Hanson	K. Jones	Neufeld

Farrell-Collins Chisholm Jarvis van Dongen Hurd

Mr. Mitchell moved an amendment to section 4 (1) of Bill (No. 28) which was defeated on the following division:

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Dalton	Stephens	Wilson	de Jong
Warnke	Weisgerber	Jarvis	Fox
Reid	Hanson	Anderson	Neufeld
Farrell-Collins	Mitchell	Symons	Chisholm
		Nays—41	
Petter	Kasper	MacPhail	Jackson
Dosanjh	Hammell	Barlee	Sawicki
Marzari	B. Jones	Lovick	Simpson
Pement	Lortie	Pullinger	Streifel
Edwards	Giesbrecht	Sihota	Lorď
Zirnhelt	Miller	Evans	Boone
Charbonneau	Cull	Randall	Hartley
O'Neill	Harcourt	Farnworth	Schreck
Garden	Gabelmann	Doyle	Copping
Perry	Clark	Janssen	Krog
Hagen			

Section 5 of Bill (No. 28) passed, on division.

Section 7 of Bill (No. 28) passed, on division.

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

Bill to be considered later today.

The House recessed for fifty minutes.

### FIFTY MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Bill (No. 28) intituled *Election Act* was again committed.

Mr. Weisgerber moved an amendment to section 24 of Bill (No. 28) which was defeated on the following division:

	YE	AS—17	
Dalton	Weisgerber	Anderson	de Jong
Reid	Hanson	Symons	Fox
Hurd	Wilson	K. Jones	Neufeld
Gingell	Jarvis	van Dongen	Chisholm
Stephens			
	NA	.ys—32	
Marzari	Kasper	Pullinger	Simpson
Pement	Hammell	Sihota	Streifel
Edwards	B. Jones	Randall	Lorď
Zirnhelt	Lortie	Farnworth	Boone
O'Neill	Cull	Conroy	Schreck
Garden	Gabelmann	Doyle	Copping
Perry	Clark	Jackson	Brewin
Hagen	Barlee	Sawicki	Krog

Mr. *Dalton* moved an amendment to section 60 of Bill (No. 28) which was defeated on the following division:

		Yeas—8	
Dalton	Reid	Hurd	Jarvis
Warnke	Farrell-Collins	Stephens	K. Jones
		Nays—36	
Petter	Hammell	Randall	Sawicki
Marzari	B. Jones	Farnworth	Simpson
Pement	Gabelmann	Conroy	Streifel
Zirnhelt	Clark	Doyle	Fox
O'Neill	MacPhail	Weisgerber	Neufeld
Garden	Barlee	Hanson	Chisholm
Perry	Lovick	Wilson	Schreck
Hagen	Pullinger	Tyabji	Copping
Kasper	Sihota	Jackson	Krog

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.01 p.m.

# Thursday, July 6, 1995

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Neufeld.

On the motion of Mr. *Krog*, Bill (No. M 212) intituled *An Act to Amend the Document Disposal Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Ms. *Pullinger*, Bill (No. M213) intituled *Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Right-of-Way Protection Act 1995* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 28) intituled *Election Act* was again committed.

In consideration of a proposed amendment by Mr. Wilson to section 91 of Bill (No. 28), the Committee divided as follows:

		Yeas—36	
Edwards	B. Jones	Evans	Jackson
Cashore	Lortie	Farnworth	Streifel
Charbonneau	Miller	Conroy	Lord
O'Neill	Gabelmann	Doyle	Neufeld
Garden	Clark	Hanson	Chisholm
Perry	MacPhail	Serwa	Hartley
Hagen	Barlee	Mitchell	Schreck
Kasper	Lovick	Wilson	Copping
Hammell	Pullinger	Tyabji	Krog
		Nays—13	
Dalton	Gingell	Anderson	van Dongen
Warnke	Stephens	Symons	de Jong
Reid	Weisgerber	K. Jones	Fox
Hurd	<u> </u>		

Section 91, as amended, of Bill (No. 28) passed, on division.

An amendment to section 93 (3) of Bill (No. 28) was defeated, on division.

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 12.12 p.m.

# Thursday, July 6, 1995

Two o'clock P.M.

Mr. Wilson rose on a point of order relating to Standing Order 23.

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

On the motion of Ms. *Reid*, Bill (No. M214) intituled *Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Awareness Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. *M. F. Harcourt* (Premier) made a ministerial statement regarding the cancellation of the Kemano Completion Project and an agreement with Alcan Aluminum.

Mr. de Jong made a statement.

Mr. Weisgerber made a statement.

By leave, Mr. Serwa made a statement.

By leave, Mr. Wilson made a statement.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

By leave, Mr. Weisgerber tabled a copy of a memorandum to NOW Communications Group Inc.

The Hon. *J. MacPhail* (Minister of Social Services) on behalf of the Minister of Women's Equality, tabled the Ministry of Women's Equality Annual Report, 1992-93; 1993-94.

The Hon. *E. Barnes* (Speaker) tabled the Office of the Information & Privacy Commissioner Annual Report, 1994-1995.

The Speaker declared a short recess.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor having entered the House, and being seated in the Chair — *E. George MacMinn*, Q.C., Clerk of the House, read the titles to the following Bills:

Bill (No. 7) Columbia Basin Trust Act.

Bill (No. 13) Mineral Tenure Amendment Act, 1995.

Bill (No. 51) Adoption Act.

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

The said assent was announced by *E. George MacMinn*, Q.C., Clerk of the House in the following words:

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

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 28) intituled *Election Act* was again committed.

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

Bill to be considered later today. On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 53) intituled *Park Amendment Act*, 1995, a debate arose.

On the motion of Mr. Wilson, the debate was adjourned until later today.

The Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows:

#### Honourable Members:

Earlier today, a matter was raised under Standing Order 23 relating to the presence of a stranger on the floor of the House. It should be mentioned at this point, that the term "stranger" is a purely technical one in its parliamentary connotation, and is not intended in any way to reflect or express any parliamentary attitude toward members of the public (see *Parliamentary Practice in British Columbia*, 2nd edition at page 30).

I quote further from the same edition at page 30:

"No stranger is permitted on the floor of the House without first obtaining Mr. Speaker's permission in the form of a floor pass. No minister, member or officer of the House is permitted to bring guests into the Chamber without Mr. Speaker's express permission."

The visitor on the floor of the House today was in possession of a floor pass which was requested and issued unfortunately, under a misapprehension.

During the committee stages of legislation and estimates in Committee of the Whole, floor passes are routinely requested and approved for ministerial advisers. It was presumed in this instance that the request for a floor pass was in this category.

In summary, the pass in question was issued in error. I apologize to all Honourable Members and especially to the guest in question for any embarrassment he may have experienced resulting from this matter being raised on the floor of the House.

The Chair would also advise the Members that there are occasions on which distinguished visitors and both past and present Members of Commonwealth parliaments have been granted floor passes upon request to the Speaker's office, and I believe this practice continues to meet with the general concurrence of all Members of the House.

EMERY O. BARNES, Speaker

The House recessed for thirty minutes.

#### FORTY MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 53) intituled *Park Amendment Act, 1995*.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		Yeas—48	
Petter	Giesbrecht	Doyle	Jackson
Marzari	Miller	Dalton	Lord
Pement	Cull	Warnke	Jarvis
Edwards	Gabelmann	Reid	Anderson
Cashore	Clark	Farrell-Collins	Symons
O'Neill	MacPhail	Hurd	K. Jones
Perry	Barlee	Gingell	Fox
Hagen	Sihota	Stephens	Neufeld
Kasper	Evans	Weisgerber	Chisholm
Hammell	Randall	Mitchell	Hartley
B. Jones	Farnworth	Wilson	Schreck
Lortie	Conroy	Tyabji	Copping
		Nays—1	
Serwa			

Bill (No. 53) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 55) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act* (No. 3), 1995, a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

Petter	Kasper	MacPhail	Doyle
Marzari	Hammell	Barlee	Jackson
Pement	Lortie	Sihota	Lord
Edwards	Giesbrecht	Evans	Hartley
Cashore	Miller	Randall	Schreck
O'Neill	Cull	Farnworth	Copping
Perry	Gabelmann	Conroy	Brewin
Hagen	Clark		

Nays—14

DaltonHurdWilsonSymonsWarnkeStephensTyabjiK. JonesReidSerwaJarvisFoxFarrell-CollinsMitchell

Bill (No. 55) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

And then the House adjourned at 11.20 p.m.

# **Friday, July 7, 1995**

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Weisgerber.

Mr. *Mitchell* rose on a point of order relating to section 21 of Bill (No. 55) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 3)*, 1995, as it pertains to the *Legislative Assembly Allowances and Pension Act*, and tabled a copy of a letter to the Conflict of Interest Commissioner, requesting his opinion.

The Hon. C. Gabelmann made representations.

Mr. Weisgerber made representations.

Mr. Hurd made representations.

Mr. Serwa made representations.

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

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

By leave, Mr. *Hurd* tabled a copy of a document referred to in Private Members' Statements.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. M 201) intituled *Dual Elected Office Prohibition Act.* the Bill was stood down with unanimous consent.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. M 202) intituled *An Act to Promote the Reuse of Construction and Demolition Materials*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. M 202) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. M 203) intituled *An Act to Designate a Provincial Heritage Site at the Inaugural Plantation at Green Timbers*, a debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. *J. MacPhail*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

By leave of the House, the Hon. *C. Gabelmann*, on behalf of Mr. *Krog*, moved second reading of Bill (No. M 204) intituled *Libel and Slander Amendment Act*, 1995.

A debate arose.

Bill (No. M 204) read a second time, on division, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. M 205) intituled *Parliamentary Calendar Act*, 1995, a debate arose.

On the motion of Mr. *Schreck* that the debate for second reading of Bill (No. M 205) be adjourned to the next sitting of the House, the House divided.

Motion agreed to as follows:

		YEAS—26	
Edwards	Hammell	Evans	Lord
Cashore	Lortie	Randall	Hartley
O'Neill	Giesbrecht	Conroy	Lali
Garden	Miller	Jackson	Schreck
Perry	Gabelmann	Sawicki	Copping
Hagen	MacPhail	Simpson	Brewin
Kasper	Sihota		
		Nays—11	
Warnke	Stephens	Mitchell	Symons
Reid	Weisgerber	Wilson	K. Jones
Farrell-Collins	Serwa	Tyabji	

The debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 12.18 p.m.

# **Monday, July 10, 1995**

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Krog.

The Hon. *P. Ramsey* tabled the British Columbia Health Research Foundation Annual Report, 1994-1995.

On the motion of Mr. *Campbell*, Bill (No. M 215) intituled *Recall and Initiative Amendment Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Ms. *Stephens*, Bill (No. M 216) intituled *Education As An Essential Services Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Mr. Anderson, Bill (No. M 217) intituled Donation of Food 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, Mr. Neufeld tabled a document referred to during Oral Question Period.

Mr. Wilson presented a petition.

Mr. van Dongen presented a petition.

Mr. *Mitchell* asked leave, pursuant to Standing Order 35, to move adjournment of the House to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, the crisis in British Columbia's salmon fishery.

The Hon. C. Gabelmann made representations.

Mr. Farrell-Collins made representations.

Mr. Weisgerber made representations.

By leave, Mr. Wilson made representations.

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

Mr. Serwa asked leave to move a motion.

The Speaker ruled that a Private Member could not ask leave to move a motion when the House was not engaged upon the business of Motions.

The Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows:

#### Honourable Members:

On Friday last the Honourable Member for West Vancouver-Garibaldi raised two matters as points of order for consideration by the Chair. First, the Honourable Member seeks a ruling that the proceedings in the House relating to Bill No. 55 — *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 3)*, 1995, are invalid by reason of Section 2 of the *Members' Conflict of Interest Act*, and second, that the Chair ought to exercise its discretion in order that Section 21 of Bill No. 55 be severed and considered as if it were a bill separate and apart from the remaining sections of the Bill.

Section 2 of the *Members' Conflict of Interest Act* cited by the Honourable Member provides that Members of the Assembly cannot exercise official powers or perform official duties when their private interests are involved. Therefore, the Honourable Member suggests all Members were in a position of conflict when voting on Section 21 of Bill No. 55, which affects certain pension entitlements of Members which in turn are in the Members' private interests. In this respect, the Chair notes that Section 1, the Interpretation section of the *Members' Conflict of Interest Act*, provides that "private interest" does not include an interest arising from the remuneration and benefits of a Member...of the Legislative Assembly.

This, however, is an issue to be determined by the Conflict of Interest Commissioner, to whose attention the Honourable Member has conveyed his concern by letter dated July 7, 1995, and in any event as previously ruled in a Speaker's decision of this House (*Journals*, April 11, 1916, page 88) the Speaker cannot be called upon to express a legal opinion or statutory interpretation.

On the second point raised by the Honourable Member asking the Chair to divide Section 21 of Bill No. 55 from the rest of that Bill, it appears to the Chair that while the Speaker may, on the application of a Member, divide a motion containing two distinct and separate propositions (May, 16th edition, page 412), I have considerable doubt whether or not the practice in respect of motions has extended itself into a practice in respect of bills. In similar circumstances, Speaker Jerome, House of Commons (Ottawa), *Journals*, May 11, 1977, at page 5522 stated in referring to a previous decision:

"His decision is crystal clear, and there can be no doubt that a motion containing two or more substantive provisions is quite distinct from a procedural motion or a motion which is generally described as having only the effect of dealing with the progress of a bill. The practice in respect of substantive motions has never been extended to those motions which relate to the progress of a bill. The use of the omnibus amending bill is well enshrined in our practice. Nor can I find any authority which would support an order of the Chair at this second reading stage that the bill be divided."

I have examined with care the authorities cited by the Honourable Member in his presentation and, with great respect, those deal in the main with instructions to a committee and do not support the proposition urged upon the Chair by the Honourable Member.

In any event, even if there existed any foundation for the Chair to intervene, the Honourable Member's application to the Chair for an order of severance ought to have been made before completion

of proceedings on second reading of the Bill.

Objections similar to that of the Honourable Member for West Vancouver-Garibaldi have frequently been made in this House as well as in other jurisdictions to so-called "omnibus bills" containing within them numerous distinct principles relating to different statutes, but such objections have been consistently rejected essentially on the grounds that in committee stage the sections of Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Bills have, by practice, been treated as if each section in itself constitutes a separate bill.

It is the House, and not the Speaker, that must determine the content and form of omnibus bills if the long-standing practices of the House relating thereto are to be altered or abandoned.

I therefore rule that the Honourable Member's points of order must be rejected on the basis of the precedents to which I have referred.

EMERY O. BARNES, Speaker

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 54) intituled An Act to Protect Medicare, a debate arose.

On the motion of the Hon. C. Gabelmann, the debate was adjourned until later today.

The Hon. D. Miller (Minister of Skills, Training and Labour) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

Garde B. Gardom
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 56) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act*, 1995 and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

July 10, 1995.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Bill Ordered to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 54) intituled *An Act to Protect Medicare*.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

	Yeas—49		
Petter	Cull	Campbell	Anderson
Dosanjh	Harcourt	Farrell-Collins	Symons
Cashore	Ramsey	Hurd	K. Jones
Zirnhelt	Barlee	Weisgerber	de Jong
Charbonneau	Sihota	Hanson	Fox
O'Neill	Evans	Mitchell	Chisholm
Garden	Farnworth	Wilson	Boone
Hagen	Conroy	Tyabji	Hartley
Hammell	Doyle	Jackson	Schreck
B. Jones	Janssen	Simpson	Copping
Lortie	Dalton	Lord	Brewin
Giesbrecht	Reid	Jarvis	Krog
Miller			0

Serwa NAYS—1

Bill (No. 54) 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 recessed for forty-five minutes.

SEVENTEEN MINUTES PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK P.M.

Bill (No. 28) intituled *Election Act* was again committed.

In consideration of a proposed amendment by Mr. *Dalton* on the Order Paper to section 180 of Bill (No. 28), the Committee divided as follows:

		Yeas—11	
Dalton	Stephens	Symons	de Jong
Reid	Jarvis	K. Jones	Fox
Hurd	Anderson	van Dongen	
		Nays—36	
Petter	B. Jones	Sihota	Mitchell
Dosanjh	Lortie	Evans	Wilson
Cashore	Giesbrecht	Farnworth	Tyabji
Zirnhelt	Miller	Conroy	Jackson
Charbonneau	Cull	Doyle	Simpson
O'Neill	Harcourt	Janssen	Lord
Garden	Gabelmann	Weisgerber	Boone
Hagen	Ramsey	Hanson	Hartley
Hammell	Barlee	Serwa	Copping

On the motion that the Committee rise and report progress, the Committee divided.

Motion defeated on the following division:

		Yeas—12	
Dalton	Campbell	Serwa	Tyabji
Warnke	Hurd	Mitchell	Jarvis
Reid	Hanson	Wilson	K. Jones
		Nays—30	
Petter	B. Jones	Sihota	Simpson
Dosanjh	Lortie	Evans	Lord
Cashore	Giesbrecht	Farnworth	Boone
Zirnhelt	Miller	Conroy	Hartley
Charbonneau	Cull	Doyle	Lali
O'Neill	Gabelmann	Janssen	Copping
Hagen	Ramsey	Jackson	Krog
Hammell	Barlee		_

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again. Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.47 p.m.

### **Tuesday, July 11, 1995**

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Ms. Lord.

The Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows:

Honourable Members:

Yesterday, the Honourable Member for West Vancouver-Garibaldi sought to move adjournment of the House pursuant to Standing Order 35 to discuss a matter of "urgent public importance", namely, the "Crisis in the British Columbia Salmon Fishery".

The Member cited the blockade of an Alaska State Ferry by British Columbia fishing boats, and the question of potential contravention of the terms of the Pacific Salmon Treaty through over-fishing by Alaskan fishers.

I wish to thank the Honourable Member for giving notice to the Chair as recommended by Practice Recommendation No.8.

The Speaker's role in considering such an application is to determine whether the test of urgency of debate has been met so as to set aside the normal business of the House. In considering urgency, the Chair has noted that matters which are ongoing do not meet the test. I note that this House, after an active debate, passed the following resolution on May 10, 1994:

"Be it resolved that this House call on the Government of Canada to take the strongest possible stand with the United States to achieve full implementation of the Pacific Salmon Treaty's core principles — namely, an equitable sharing of salmon commensurate with national production and the rebuilding and conservation of salmon stocks — and aggressively advance British Columbia's interest in support of the salmon resource and the thousands of British Columbians that depend on it."

Clearly the issue of over-fishing is of an on-going nature. See Speaker's decisions to be found in the *Journals* of this House for June 21, 1991, at page 54, and May 11, 1976, at page 91.

Another question which must be addressed is whether the protest this past weekend has changed the nature of the matter. In the view of the Chair, these latest events have not changed what is effectively an on-going matter. "The fact that new information has been received regarding a matter that has been continuing for some time does not in itself make that matter one of urgency", found in the 16th edition, Erskine May, at page 370.

For these reasons the Honourable Member's application cannot succeed.

EMERY O. BARNES, Speaker

Mr. Warnke rose on a point of order, namely, that the motion during last night's sitting that the Committee on Bill (No. 28) rise, did not meet the guidelines of Standing Order 34.

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

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 28) intituled *Election Act* was again committed.

In consideration of section 227 as amended, of Bill (No. 28), the Committee divided as follows:

Dosanjh	Lortie	Evans	Jackson
Cashore	Giesbrecht	Farnworth	Lord
Zirnhelt	Miller	Conroy	Fox
Charbonneau	Cull	Doyle	Neufeld
O'Neill	Gabelmann	Janssen	Boone
Garden	Ramsey	Weisgerber	Hartley
Hagen	Sihota	Hanson	Copping
Hammell			

Dalton	Mitchell	Jarvis	van Dongen
Reid	Wilson	Anderson	de Jong
Hurd	Tyabji	Symons	Chisholm
Serwa			

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again. Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 12.07 p.m.

### **Tuesday, July 11, 1995**

Two o'clock P.M.

On the motion of Ms. *Stephens*, Bill (No. M 218) intituled *Domestic Violence Prevention Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. *E. Cull* (Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations) tabled the Ministry of Finance and Corporate Relations Annual Report, 1993-1994.

On the motion of Mr. *Dalton*, Bill (No. M 219) intituled *Child Protection Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. A. Charbonneau (Minister of Education) presented a petition re amendments to the Adoption Act.

The Hon. A. Petter (Minister of Forests) tabled the Financial Statements of the Provincial Capital Commission as at March 31, 1995.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 28) intituled *Election Act* was again committed.

In consideration of a proposed amendment by Mr. *Weisgerber* on the Order Paper to section 227.1 of Bill (No. 28), the Committee divided as follows:

		Yeas—19	
Dalton	Weisgerber	Tyabji	van Dongen
Warnke	Hanson	Jarvis	de Jong
Reid	Serwa	Anderson	Fox
Hurd	Mitchell	Symons	Neufeld
Stephens	Wilson	K. Jones	v
		Nays—33	
Petter	Hammell	Ramsey	Jackson
Pement	B. Jones	Barlee	Lord
Cashore	Lortie	Sihota	Boone
Zirnhelt	Giesbrecht	Evans	Hartley
Charbonneau	Miller	Farnworth	Lali
O'Neill	Cull	Conroy	Schreck
Garden	Harcourt	Doyle	Copping
Hagen	Gabelmann	Janssen	Krog
Kasper			

Amendments to add sections 234.1 to 234.96 passed, on division.

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

Bill to be considered later today. The Hon. C. Gabelmann advised that the House will sit Wednesday, pursuant to Standing Order 2 (2).

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 56) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act*, 1995, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 56) read a second time.

By leave, Bill (No. 56) was committed, reported complete without amendment and by leave, read a third time and passed.

The House recessed for thirty-five minutes.

#### TWENTY-FIVE MINUTES PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK P.M.

Bill (No. 28) intituled *Election Act* was again committed.

A proposed amendment by Mr. *Mitchell* on the Order Paper to section 239 of Bill (No. 28) was defeated, on division.

A proposed amendment by Mr. *Mitchell* on the Order Paper to section 240 (1) (c) of Bill (No. 28) was defeated, on division.

A proposed amendment by Mr. *Mitchell* on the Order Paper to section 241 of Bill (No. 28) was defeated, on division.

Section 302, as amended, of Bill (No. 28) passed, on division.

Section 303 of Bill (No. 28) passed, on division.

Bill (No. 28) intituled *Election Act* was reported complete with amendment.

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

Bill (No. 53) intituled *Park Amendment Act*, 1995, was committed.

On the motion that the Committee rise and report progress, the Committee divided.

Motion defeated on the following division:

		Yeas—11	
Warnke	Hurd	Mitchell	van Dongen
Reid	Stephens	Jarvis	Neufeld
Farrell-Collins	Weisgerber	K. Jones	-
		Nays—29	
Petter	Kasper	Sihota	Sawicki
Pement	Hammell	Evans	Boone
Cashore	B. Jones	Farnworth	Hartley
Zirnhelt	Lortie	Conroy	Lali
Charbonneau	Giesbrecht	Doyle	Schreck
O'Neill	Miller	Janssen	Copping
Garden	Cull	Jackson	Krog
Hagen			

The House continued to sit past midnight.

Mr. Weisgerber moved an amendment to Schedule D of Bill (No. 53) which was defeated on the following division:

		Yeas—9	
Warnke	Hurd	Weisgerber	van Dongen
Reid	Stephens	Jarvis	Neufeld
Farrell-Collins	•		·
		Nays—26	
Pement	B. Jones	Conroy	Hartley
Cashore	Lortie	Doyle	Lali
Zirnhelt	Giesbrecht	Janssen	Schreck
Charbonneau	Miller	Jackson	Copping
Garden	Cull	Sawicki	Brewin
Hagen	Sihota	Boone	Krog
Kasper	Evans		0

Schedule D as amended, of Bill (No. 53) passed, on division.

Bill (No. 53) was reported complete with amendment.

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

And then the House adjourned at 1.35 a.m.

# Wednesday, July 12, 1995

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Hartley.

On the motion of Mr. *Campbell*, Bill (No. M 220) intituled *Municipalities' Protection Act*, 1995, was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Mr. *Gingell*, Bill (No. M 221) intituled *Crown Corporation Accountability Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Mr. *Campbell*, Bill (No. M 222) intituled *Community Charter* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Mr. Farrell-Collins, Bill (No. M 223) intituled Labour Relations Code Advisory Committee Act was introduced, read a first time, and Ordered to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Mr. *Farrell-Collins*, Bill (No. M 224) intituled *Employment Standards Exclusion Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Mr. *de Jong*, Bill (No. M 225) intituled *Agricultural Land Commission Amendment Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *J. Pement* (Minister of Transportation and Highways) tabled the British Columbia Railway Company financial statements ending December 31, 1994.

The Hon. *J. Pement* (Minister of Transportation and Highways), on behalf of the Minister of Employment and Investment, tabled the following:

British Columbia Ferry Corporation Annual Report, 1993-1994.

BC Transit Annual Report, 1993-1994. Job Protection Commission Annual Report, 1994. Mr. de *Jong* presented a petition supporting proposed changes to the *Agricultural Land Reserve Act*.

Mr. de Jong presented a petition.

The Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows:

Honourable Members:

Yesterday, the Honourable Member for Richmond-Steveston rose on a point of order and referred the Chair to proceedings in the Committee of the Whole which occurred immediately prior to Monday evening's adjournment.

At that time, the Honourable Member for West Vancouver-Garibaldi moved, in Committee of the Whole, that the Committee rise, report progress and ask leave to sit again. That motion was negatived on a division and immediately thereafter, without intermediate proceedings taking place as contemplated by Standing Orders 34 and 62, the House Leader moved the same motion which carried.

Let me say at the outset, that the Member brought to the House a matter occurring in Committee which, in keeping with the long-standing practice of this House, should have been raised in Committee. All Honourable Members will recall the rule that matters of procedure arising in a Committee must be settled in the Committee and the House cannot deal with such matters unless they are reported to the House. An examination of the *Blues* makes it apparent that no such report was made to the House.

However, as the Honourable Member raises an important point, for the guidance of the House, it is the Chair's view that further comment is warranted.

At the time the questioned motion was made, the Attorney General was acting as Government House Leader. The traditional responsibilities of the House Leader are outlined in Redlich — *Procedure of the House of Commons* and are quoted with approval in a decision of this House of April 12, 1976, as follows:

"Let us now briefly indicate the influence directly exercised by the Leader of the House on the course of business. It is his task, in the name of the Government and the party in office, to distribute over the session the programme of legislation announced in the King's speech and to advocate it in the House. He assumes the duty of proposing all such motions concerning the agenda of the House as are deemed advisable by the Government and is their spokesman in the debate thereon. With regard to every Government project, the Leader is the final authority as to its general progress, as to the time to be given to its different stages, and as to any application of the closure or other available method of shortening debate and bringing matters to a conclusion. The whole policy of the Government, especially so far as it is expressed in the inner life of the House and in measures dealing with the course of its business, is concentrated in his person. — Redlich."

The Government House Leader's authority over the progress of business of the House and, in particular, power to adjourn proceedings remains paramount. Erskine May's *Parliamentary Practice*, 16th edition, on page 408, further states that the use of the motion for adjournment of the House, when used as a substantive motion, can only be moved by a Member of the Government. See also, *Parliamentary Practice in British Columbia*, 2nd edition at page 43.

It is Chair's view that the law as stated in Redlich and Erskine May confirm the Government House Leader's authority to regulate the progress of Government business, both in the House and in a Committee of the Whole.

The Chair would also bring to the Members' attention that Erskine May's, 20th edition at page 657, states that in relation to a motion to rise and report progress and ask leave to sit again "it is usual for the chairman to accept such a motion from the Member in charge of a Bill, even if no proceedings have taken place upon the Bill." At the time in question, the motion to rise and report progress and ask leave to sit again was made by the Member in charge of the Bill.

Because of the importance of the matter raised by the Honourable Member, the Chair felt it appropriate to comment in detail.

EMERY O. BARNES, Speaker

Mr. *Gingell* presented the First Report of the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts for the Fourth Session of the Thirty-fifth Parliament.

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

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

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 28) intituled *Election Act*, the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

		Yeas—38	
Dosanjh	Giesbrecht	Evans	Simpson
Pement	Miller	Randall	Lord
Cashore	Smallwood	Beattie	Boone
Charbonneau	Cull	Farnworth	Hartley
O'Neill	Harcourt	Conroy	Lali
Garden	Gabelmann	Doyle	Schreck
Hagen	MacPhail	Janssen	Copping
Hammell	Ramsey	Jackson	Brewin
B. Jones	Barlee	Sawicki	Krog
Lortie	Sihota		Ü
		Nays—22	
Dalton	Gingell	Tyabji	van Dongen
Warnke	Stephens	Jarvis	de Jong
Reid	Hanson	Anderson	Fox
Campbell	Serwa	Symons	Neufeld
Farrell-Collins	Mitchell	K. Jones	Chisholm
Hurd	Wilson		

By leave, Bill (No. 28) read a third time and passed.

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 53) intituled *Park Amendment Act*, the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

	Yeas—59		
Dosanjh	Gabelmann	Campbell	Symons
Pement	MacPhail	Farrell-Collins	K. Jones
Cashore	Ramsey	Hurd	van Dongen
Charbonneau	Barlee	Gingell	de Jong
O'Neill	Sihota	Stephens	Fox
Garden	Evans	Hanson	Neufeld
Hagen	Randall	Mitchell	Chisholm
Hammell	Beattie	Wilson	Boone
B. Jones	Farnworth	Tyabji	Hartley
Lortie	Conroy	Jackson	Lali
Giesbrecht	Doyle	Sawicki	Schreck
Miller	Janssen	Simpson	Copping
Smallwood	Dalton	Lord	Brewin
Cull	Warnke	Jarvis	Krog
Harcourt	Reid	Anderson	_

NAYS—1

By leave, Bill (No. 53) read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 55) intituled Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 3), 1995, was committed.

In consideration of a proposed amendment by Mr. *Mitchell* on the Order Paper to section 3 of Bill (No. 55), the Committee divided as follows:

	Yeas—3	
Mitchell	Wilson	
	Nays—55	
Harcourt	Warnke	Anderson
Gabelmann	Reid	van Dongen
MacPhail	Campbell	de Jong
Ramsey	Farrell-Collins	Fox
Barlee	Hurd	Neufeld
Sihota	Gingell	Chisholm
Evans	Stephens	Boone
Randall	Weisgerber	Hartley
Beattie	Hanson	Lali
Farnworth	Jackson	Schreck
Conroy	Sawicki	Copping
Doyle	Simpson	Brewin
Janssen	Lord	Krog
Dalton	Jarvis	Ü
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The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered later today.

The House recessed for forty-five minutes.

### FORTY-FIVE MINUTES PAST SIX O'CLOCK P.M.

Bill (No. 55) intituled Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 3), 1995, was again committed.

In consideration of section 3 of Bill (No. 55), the Committee divided as follows:

		Yeas—40	
Pement	Lortie	Randall	Sawicki
Priddy	Miller	Beattie	Simpson
Cashore	Cull	Farnworth	Lord
Zirnhelt	Harcourt	Conroy	Boone
Charbonneau	Gabelmann	Doyle	Hartley
O'Neill	MacPhail	Janssen	Lali
Garden	Ramsey	Mitchell	Schreck
Kasper	Barlee	Wilson	Copping
Hammell	Sihota	Tyabji	Brewin
B. Jones	Evans	Jackson	Krog
		Nays—19	
Dalton	Hurd	Serwa	de Jong
Warnke	Gingell	Anderson	Fox
Reid	Stephens	Symons	Neufeld
Campbell	Weisgerber	K. Jones	Chisholm
Farrell-Collins	Hanson	van Dongen	

In consideration of a proposed amendment by Mr. *Mitchell* on the Order Paper to section 15 of Bill (No. 55), the Committee divided.

The amendment was defeated on the following division:

		Yeas—19	
Dalton	Gingell	Wilson	de Jong
Warnke	Stephens	Tyabji	Fox
Reid	Weisgerber	Symons	Neufeld
Campbell	Hanson	K. Jones	Chisholm
Farrell-Collins	Mitchell	van Dongen	
		Nays—36	
Pement	Lortie	Sihota	Sawicki
Cashore	Giesbrecht	Evans	Simpson
Zirnhelt	Miller	Randall	Lord
Charbonneau	Cull	Beattie	Boone
O'Neill	Harcourt	Farnworth	Hartley
Garden	Gabelmann	Conroy	Lali
Kasper	MacPhail	Doyle	Schreck
Hammell	Ramsey	Janssen	Copping
B. Jones	Barlee	Jackson	Brewin

The motion that the Committee rise and report progress was defeated, on division.

Section 15 of Bill (No. 55) passed, on division.

Mr. Weisgerber moved an amendment to section 21 of Bill (No. 55) which was defeated on the following division:

		Yeas—3	
Weisgerber	Fox	Neufeld	
		Nays—50	
Pement	Gabelmann	Warnke	Lord
Cashore	MacPhail	Reid	Symons
Zirnhelt	Ramsey	Campbell	K. Jones
Charbonneau	Barlee	Farrell-Collins	van Dongen
O'Neill	Sihota	Gingell	de Jong
Garden	Evans	Stephens	Chisholm
Kasper	Randall	Mitchell	Boone
Hammell	Beattie	Wilson	Hartley
B. Jones	Farnworth	Tyabji	Lali
Lortie	Conroy	Jackson	Schreck
Giesbrecht	Doyle	Sawicki	Copping
Cull	Janssen	Simpson	Krog
Harcourt	Dalton	-	

In consideration of section 21 of Bill (No. 55), the Committee divided as follows:

Pement	Lortie	Sihota	Sawicki
Cashore	Giesbrecht	Evans	Simpson
Zirnhelt	Miller	Randall	Lord
Charbonneau	Cull	Beattie	Boone
O'Neill	Harcourt	Farnworth	Hartley
Garden	Gabelmann	Conroy	Lali
Kasper	MacPhail	Doyle	Schreck
Hammell	Ramsey	Janssen	Copping
B. Jones	Barlee	Jackson	Krog

Nays—18

Dalton Gingell Tyabji de Jong Warnke Stephens Symons Fox Reid Weisgerber K. Jones Neufeld CampbellMitchell van Dongen Chisholm Farrell-Collins Wilson

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting. The House continued to sit past midnight.

By leave, Mr. Weisgerber tabled a copy of a letter addressed to the Hon. M. Harcourt, Premier.

Bill (No. 54) intituled *An Act to Protect Medicare* was committed, reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

And then the House adjourned at 1.47 a.m.

# **Thursday, July 13, 1995**

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Simpson.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 55) intituled Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 3), 1995, was again committed.

Section 30 of Bill (No. 55) passed, on division.

Section 36 of Bill (No. 55) passed, on division.

Bill (No. 55) was reported complete with amendment.

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 55), the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

	YEAS—30		
Dosanjh	Miller	Beattie	Boone
Priddy	Cull	Farnworth	Hartley
Zirnhelt	Harcourt	Doyle	Lali
O'Neill	Gabelmann	Janssen	Schreck
Kasper	MacPhail	Sawicki	Copping
Hammell	Barlee	Simpson	Brewin
B. Jones	Sihota	Lord	Krog
Lortie	Randall		

Nays—19

Warnke Gingell Tyabji de Jong Reid Stephens Anderson Fox Neufeld Campbell Weisgerber Symons Farrell-Collins K. Jones Chisholm Serwa Hurd Mitchell van Dongen

By leave, Bill (No. 55) read a third time and passed.

### **92** The Hon, C. Gabelmann moved, on behalf of the Hon, G. Clark —

That in addition to the powers previously conferred upon the Select Standing Committee on Forests, Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources the Committee be empowered:

- (a) to appoint of their number, one or more subcommittees and to refer to such subcommittees any of the matters referred to the Committee;
- (b) to sit during a period in which the House is adjourned, during the recess after prorogation until the next following Session and during any sitting of the House;
  - (c) to adjourn from place to place as may be convenient;
  - (d) to retain such personnel as required to assist the Committee;

and shall report to the House as soon as possible, or following any adjournment, or at the next following Session, as the case may be; to deposit the original of its reports with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly during a period of adjournment and upon resumption of the sittings of the House, the Chair shall present all reports to the Legislative Assembly.

Motion agreed to.

### **93** The Hon. *C. Gabelmann* moved —

That a Special Committee be appointed to select and unanimously recommend to the Legislative Assembly, the appointment of a Chief Electoral Officer for the Province of British Columbia, pursuant to section 4 of the *Election Act*, and that the Special Committee so appointed shall have the powers of a Select Standing Committee and is also empowered:

- (a) to appoint of their number, one or more subcommittees and to refer to such subcommittees any of the matters referred to the Committee;
- (b) to sit during a period in which the House is adjourned, during the recess after prorogation until the next following Session and during any sitting of the House;
- (c) to adjourn from place to place as may be convenient;
- (d) to retain such personnel as required to assist the Committee;

and shall report to the House as soon as possible, or following any adjournment, or at the next following Session, as the case may be; to deposit the original of its reports with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly during a period of adjournment and upon resumption of the sittings of the House, the Chair shall present all reports to the Legislative Assembly.

The said Special Committee is to be composed of Mr. Farnworth (Convener), Mmes. Copping, Hagen and O'Neill, Messrs. Sihota, Hartley and Janssen, Messrs. Farrell-Collins, Dalton and de Jong, Mr. Neufeld and Mr. Mitchell.

Motion agreed to.

By leave, the Hon. C. Gabelmann moved —

That the Report of the Auditor General of British Columbia and Deputy Ministers' Council, dated June 1995 entitled *Enhancing Accountability for Performance in the British Columbia Public Sector* be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts and that in addition to the powers previously conferred upon the said Committee, the Committee be empowered:

- (a) to appoint of their number, one or more subcommittees and to refer to such subcommittees any of the matters referred to the Committee;
- (b) to sit during a period in which the House is adjourned, during the recess after prorogation until the next following Session and during any sitting of the House;
- (c) to adjourn from place to place as may be convenient;
- (d) to retain such personnel as required to assist the Committee;

and shall report to the House as soon as possible, or following any adjournment, or at the next following Session, as the case may be; to deposit the original of its reports with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly during a period of adjournment and upon resumption of the sittings of the House, the Chair shall present all reports to the Legislative Assembly.

Motion agreed to.The Hon. *J. MacPhail* (Minister of Social Services) tabled the Motor Carrier Commission Annual Report, 1994/1995.

The Hon. *J. MacPhail* (Minister of Social Services), on behalf of the Minister of Employment and Investment, tabled the following:

B.C. Transportation Financing Authority Annual Report, 1993/94.

B.C. Transportation Financing Authority Annual Report, 1994/95.British Columbia Ferry Corporation Annual Report, 1994/95.Victoria Line Limited Annual Report, 1994.The Speaker declared a short recess.

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. 28) Election Act.

Bill (No. 53) Park Amendment Act, 1995.

Bill (No. 54) An Act to Protect Medicare.

Bill (No. 55) Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 3), 1995.

Bill (No. 56) Workers Compensation Amendment Act, 1995.

His Honour was pleased in Her Majesty's name to give assent to the said Bills. The said assent was announced by *E. George MacMinn*, Q.C., Clerk of the House, in the following words:

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

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

The Hon. C. Gabelmann moved —

That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until it appears to the satisfaction of the Speaker, after consultation with the Government, that the public interest requires that the House shall meet, or until the Speaker may be advised by the Government that it is desired to prorogue the Fourth Session of the Thirty-fifth Parliament of the Province of British Columbia. The Speaker may give notice that he is so satisfied or has been so advised and thereupon the House shall meet at the time stated in such notice, and, as the case may be, may transact its business as if it has been duly adjourned to that time and date; and

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

And then the House adjourned at 1.46 p.m.

### Thursday, April 25, 1996

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Lovick.

The Hon. E. Barnes (Speaker) tabled the following documents:

Legislative Assembly Management Committee Annual Report for the period July 8, 1994 to March 31, 1996. Financial Statement of the Office of the Auditor General of British Columbia, for the years ended March 31, 1994, and March 31, 1995.

Report of the Chief Electoral Officer relating to the May 3, 1995, by-election in Abbotsford Electoral District, pursuant to section 5 (9) of the *Election Act* (1979).

Report of the Commissioner of Conflict of Interest, (1995\-96).

Auditor General 1995/96: Report 1 — Report on the 1994/95 Public Accounts, Province of British Columbia.

Auditor General 1995/96: Report 2 — Performance Audits — British Columbia Ferry Corporation. Auditor General 1995/96: Report 3 — Compliance-with-Authorities Audits.

Special Report No.18 of the Ombudsman with respect to A Complaint Regarding an Unfair Public Hearing Process (City of Port Moody).

The Speaker announced that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor was about to enter the Chamber. The Honourable Garde B. Gardom, Q.C., Lieutenant Governor of the Province, having entered the House, took his seat on the Throne, and was pleased to deliver the following gracious Speech:

Honourable Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

In closing this fourth session of the thirty-fifth parliament of British Columbia, I wish to commend you on the accomplishments of the past year. The session has seen the passage of measures of wideranging and significant importance to the people of our province. Also, hon. members, on behalf of all British Columbians I wish to express my appreciation for the care and attention you have given to your deliberations. I now relieve you of your legislative duties.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire. The Hon. *U. Dosanjh* (Attorney General) then said:

Honourable Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

It is His Honour the Lieutenant Governor's will and pleasure that the Legislative Assembly be prorogued until 2 o'clock p.m. today, and this Provincial Legislative Assembly is hereby prorogued accordingly.

The Statement of Unclaimed Money Deposits pursuant to the *Unclaimed Money Act*, for the year ended March 31, 1995, was received by the Office of the Clerk on March 7, 1996.

Pursuant to section 37 (1) (c) of the *Constitution Act*:

A declaration by the Member of the Electoral District of West Vancouver-Garibaldi (Mr. *D. Mitchell*) of his intention to resign his seat as a Member of the Legislative Assembly, effective March 26, 1996, was delivered to the Speaker.

And then the House prorogued at 10.11 a.m.

#### **PROCLAMATION**

[L.S.]

G. B. GARDOM
Lieutenant Governor

# CANADA: PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom, Canada and Her Other Realms and Territories, QUEEN, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith

To all to whom these presents shall come

To Our Faithful Members Elected to Serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of British Columbia, at Our City of Victoria — Greeting

### A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS We are desirous and resolved, as soon as may be to meet Our People of Our Province of British Columbia, and to have their advice in Our Legislature;

Now Know YE, that for divers causes and considerations and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving subjects, We have thought fit to hereby convoke, and by these presents enjoin you, and each of you, that on Tuesday, the twenty-fifth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-five at two o'clock in the afternoon, you meet Us in Our said Legislature or Parliament, of Our said Province, at Our City of Victoria, FOR THE DISPATCH OF BUSINESS, to treat, do, act, and conclude upon those things which, in Our Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, by the Common Council of Our said Province may, by the favour of God, be ordained.

In TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of Our Province to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS, the Honourable GARDE B. GARDOM, Lieutenant Governor of Our Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our Province, this twenty-second dau of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ninety-six, and in the forty-fifth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

# SUMMARY

Number of sitting days		77
Number of sittings —		
Morning	45	
Afternoon	60	
		105
Debates (number of sittings) —		
Address in Reply	8	
Budget Motion	9	
Estimates (Progress: Section A: 52; Section B: 36)	108	
(Resolutions: Section A: 13; Section B: 8)		
Number of Bills introduced (including 55 Message Bills)		81
Number of Bills passed —		
Public	55	
Members		
		55
Divisions		87
Motions on Division		69