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Prayers by the Reverend Paul Taylor of St. Aidan's United Church.

This being the first day of the third meeting of the Thirty-seventh Parliament of the Province of British Columbia for the dispatch of business, pursuant to a Proclamation of the Honourable IONA V. CAMPAGNOLO, Lieutenant Governor of the Province, dated the 5th day of February, 2002.

The Honourable IONA V. CAMPAGNOLO, Lieutenant Governor of the Province, having entered the House, took her seat on the Throne, and was pleased to deliver the following gracious Speech:

Mr. Speaker, Honourable Members of the Legislature:

It is a privilege to address you on behalf of Her Majesty The Queen of Canada, to open the Third Session of the Thirty-Seventh Parliament of British Columbia.

In the name of all British Columbians I have conveyed our thanks and good wishes to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth on the recent observation of the 50th anniversary of her accession to the throne and expressed our anticipation of her Golden Jubilee visit to British Columbia in October. I have also sadly conveyed the sympathy of our citizens to Her Majesty on the recent loss of her beloved and only sister, Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret. A book of condolence has been opened at Government House, which I am sure will provide some sympathy and comfort to Her Majesty at this sad time.

When I spoke to you in my personal address on installation last September, I was able to pay tribute to my immediate predecessor, The Honourable Garde B. Gardom.

As this is my first Speech from the Throne, let me begin by saying what an honour it is to serve in this Office that has been so ably and admirably served by those who have preceded me in this place. I am proud to acknowledge the presence in the Chamber today of The Honourable Robert Rogers and Ms. Jane Rogers and The Honourable Garde Gardom and Ms. Helen Gardom, who throughout their lives of public service have acted in an exemplary manner, befitting our pride in this beautiful province that is our home where they have served as exemplars and inspirations to us all.

On behalf of all British Columbians, and Members of this place, we thank them and wish them well in their honoured and well-deserved retirement.

We also pay tribute to the many others who have left their indelible mark on our province and have, sadly, passed away. This year as every other, it is impossible to adequately recognize all those who we have lost.

Some of those whose passing we mourn are former B.C. Supreme Court Justice Tom Fisher, former MLA and B.C. Supreme Court Justice Jay Gould, and former Surrey Mayor and Greater Vancouver Regional District Chair Don Ross.

We shall miss Ted Peck, whose colourful fish tales and popular television program, *Tides and Trails*, provided such pleasure, with its memorable signature closing, "Tight lines and straight shooting."

British Columbians lost a precious soul and talent in the late Donald Jarvis, whose teachings and paintings will forever live on in West Coast culture. Norma Macmillan, too, will long be remembered by us all as the gentle voice of Casper the Friendly Ghost and television's beloved Gumby. And few people have worked harder for British Columbia than Cyril Shelford — a noted author, public servant and Member of this Assembly for 22 years.

The world has changed dramatically since my government's last Throne Speech, less than seven months ago.

The sobering events of September 11th have impacted our lives in many ways, from our sympathy and support to our neighbours in their loss, to our concern for resulting effects on our mobility, security and global access to commerce. The global economy is still reeling from the impact, and our provincial economy has been hit especially hard.

Next week, my government will bring in its budget for the new year. That budget will give all British Columbians a clear sense of the fiscal challenges at hand and the tough decisions that must be made.

Change is never easy. Yet more than ever, fundamental change is required to the size and scope of government — and to the role it serves in people's lives and in our economy.

Last Spring, British Columbians gave my government an overwhelming mandate for change, and it is acting on that mandate to build a solid foundation for economic and social renewal. Though that need for change will never stop, my government's vision remains the same: to usher in a new era of hope, prosperity and public service in British Columbia.

My government's priorities will not waver, and its mission will not be altered.

My government was not elected to follow the broken rut of the status quo, or to run from the challenges that change presents. It was elected to lead our province forward and to break new ground in search of brighter horizons.

My government's course is clear, and its direction is firmly set. It will revitalize British Columbia's economy, restore sound fiscal management, and put patients and students first.

The changes my government has planned and initiated will do just that. Over time, they will lead our province to new fields of hope and opportunity.

Revitalizing the economy

My government's central mission is to revitalize the economy as quickly as possible.

Economic growth is the bedrock for prosperity upon which all public services depend. It is the vital base for stability and opportunity in every community and the critical determinant of what government can and cannot afford to do.

When our economy suffers, people pay the price. Jobs are lost. Dreams are shattered. And vital public services are limited for want of revenue.

No economy is immune from the volatility of global markets, and British Columbia has been particularly exposed from its heavy dependence on natural resources.

My government has a solid plan to turn our provincial economy around. The steps it has taken — and will be taking this Legislative Session and beyond — will make our economy more competitive, diversified and attractive to investors. In time, they will provide a sustainable framework to maximize growth and job creation, and once again establish British Columbia as an economic leader in North America.

Last summer, my government acted upon all of the 22 commitments it vowed to undertake in its first 90 days. Together, those measures went a long way towards restoring a competitive footing for investment and providing a major stimulus to our provincial economy.

My government cut personal income taxes, reduced corporate income taxes, and eliminated other business taxes that were discouraging job creation.

My government also acted to reduce the regulatory burden on small businesses, restore workers' rights, and create a level playing field for all B.C. businesses through the elimination of business subsidies. Specific subsidies that have been identified for elimination were outlined at last month's open Cabinet meeting in Fort St. John and will be repealed by legislation as necessary this Session.

Within the next few weeks, the independent B.C. Progress Board my government appointed will issue its first report. It has established a series of benchmarks and performance measures to hold my government accountable on a quarterly basis for progress in our economy.

While our provincial economy may not be as strong and healthy as we would all like, there are signs it is on the mend. For example, last year British Columbia posted Canada's largest increase in housing sales. It had the highest percentage increase in residential construction in the nation. Retail sales have been increasing at a faster rate than the national average, and automobile sales have been strong.

With major sectors of our economy in distress, B.C. still has a long way to go to once again lead the nation in overall economic growth. But a winning framework is rapidly being put in place for economic renewal.

This year, my government is consulting with British Columbians on the steps needed to improve the *Employment Standards Act*, the *Workers Compensation Act* and the *Labour Code*. Following those reviews, changes to all three of those Acts will be initiated in this next year to provide greater flexibility, fairness and efficiency for employers and employees alike. And changes to the *Company Act* will be made to cut red tape, improve efficiency and encourage growth in the economy.

These measures will substantially advance my government's goal of reducing the regulatory burden on B.C. businesses by one-third within the next two-and-a-half years.

Later this Spring, the Premier will lead a series of round tables on small business that will invite small-business owners, operators and entrepreneurs to offer their input and advice in that most vital of all sectors.

Small businesses are, by far, the biggest job creators in our economy, and my government wants to hear from them directly on the barriers to expansion and the opportunities for growth.

Nowhere have small businesses shown greater success or explosive potential for growth than in the technology sector.

The Premier's Technology Council, appointed in my government's first 90 days, is running and is showing positive leadership. The Council's first quarterly report in November concentrated on a strategy to bridge the digital divide. Its ongoing work will continue to help tackle that challenge and achieve my government's goal of making British Columbia one of the world's top 10 technology centres by 2006.

Another exciting new area of opportunity for private-sector investment and involvement is in the wide range of possible public-private partnerships.

Working with non-profit organizations and the private sector, my government will explore new cost-effective mechanisms for the provision of services and public-private partnerships. Considerable effort will be focused on pioneering so-called "P3s," which have proven very effective in attracting private capital to support public policy objectives in B.C. and in other jurisdictions. Such opportunities will be actively pursued this year in helping to spur more private-sector investment in transportation and highways, information technology, housing, land and resource development, health support services and facilities, and education infrastructure.

As promised in the Throne Speech last summer, my government is aggressively supporting the bid to host the 2010 Winter Olympic and Paralympic Games. Winning the Olympic Games would be a great incentive to amateur sport and to communities in every part of our province.

Combined with an expanded convention centre in Vancouver, the Games would generate up to \$10 billion in economic activity for our province, 228,000 jobs, and \$2.5 billion in total revenues for all levels of government. Tourism resulting from the Games would benefit every community in our province. Just competing for the bid itself offers a great opportunity to sell the world on British Columbia, and to prove that we are indeed driven by dreams and nature.

Efforts will be intensified and focused to win that bid and to market British Columbia to the world, working in partnership with other levels of government and the private sector. Special effort will be made to explore public-private partnerships in infrastructure integral to the bid, including the expansion of the Vancouver Convention and Exhibition Centre, and needed improvements to the Sea to Sky Highway.

Another sector that has demonstrated spectacular potential for growth is the energy sector. Nowhere is that more evident than in oil and gas development that has generated so much wealth, energy and job creation in British Columbia's Peace River Region.

My government's Energy Policy Task Force has been developing recommendations for a comprehensive provincial energy strategy. Upon completion of the current public consultation process, a final report will be ready next month. This should ensure that my government properly plans for our citizens' energy needs, and also takes full advantage of the enormous opportunities for investment and job creation in energy development.

Measures will be introduced this Session to boost investment and job creation in both the energy and mining sectors. Steps will be taken to enhance the effectiveness of the Oil and Gas Commission and improve the investment climate for mineral exploration.

The *Environmental Assessment Act* will be updated to streamline the major project assessment process. The *Waste Management Act* will be amended to eliminate overlaps in the regulation of mines and to clarify rendition and authorization requirements for various activities conducted on land that may have been contaminated.

Other changes will be made to increase competitiveness, cut red tape, and provide greater access to Crown land and resources.

Changes will be made to establish equality for operating mines in the coal and mineral sectors, and to provide more certainty over access rights to Crown lands with respect to coal tenures.

Recently announced changes will encourage investment in coal bed methane extraction. More will be done in the coming months to develop this resource and generate jobs in regions across our province, from the Kootenays, to Vancouver Island, to the Northeast.

Last October, my government appointed an independent Scientific Panel to assist in determining whether offshore oil and gas exploration could be conducted in a manner that is scientifically sound and environmentally responsible. My government will move with caution to ensure that any activity taken in this regard will always be guided by sound science and an unswerving commitment to responsible environmental protection.

Yet it also wants Northerners to know that they too can look forward to the future with hope and optimism from the opportunities that might flow from the development of our offshore oil and gas deposits.

Obviously, there is no greater economic challenge or critical need than to get our province's number one industry back on track.

The softwood lumber dispute has dragged on, despite my government's best efforts to work with the federal government and other provinces to negotiate a resolution with the United States. Every time progress appears to have been made at the table, it has been frustrated by U.S. lumber lobbies who are not working towards President Bush's stated commitment to free trade. Our forest industry's patience and willingness to work towards a cooperative solution is near the breaking point. One way or another, a resolution must be reached to this vexing problem that has hurt so many workers and employers in British Columbia's forest industry.

In any case, my government will not wait to initiate the process of desperately needed structural reform in B.C.'s forest industry. It will move this year to deal with stumpage reform that shifts our province towards market-based stumpage. It will move this year to tackle the incredibly complex challenge of forest policy reform.

Obviously, change on this scale cannot be undertaken without some sacrifice. By the same token, my government understands that the only way our forest industry will become more globally competitive and once again expand, is to embrace freer trade and market-based reforms.

One critical reform needed is to streamline the *Forest Practices Code* to make it more results-oriented, cost-effective and workable on the ground, while maintaining the same standard of environmental protection. That challenge too will be met this year. A White Paper on possible reforms to the Code will be issued this Spring, with the objective of tabling legislation this Fall.

Finally, my government will redouble its efforts to market British Columbia forest products around the world, with funding equal to one per cent of direct forest revenues.

My government is also acting to facilitate investment and job creation in the salmon aquaculture industry. Recent changes will ensure that this sector is enhanced, with the toughest environmental protection framework in the world.

B.C.'s farmers too will benefit from a new structure to make the Agricultural Land Commission more regionally responsive to the needs of farmers and communities. The strategic shifts my government is making in the agriculture sector will ensure greater competitiveness, self-regulation and independence in farming that will gradually phase out government subsidies.

All of these initiatives to stimulate our economy will help, as will my government's efforts to promote greater dialogue among the various levels of government and with First Nations.

On February 26th, my government will act on its commitment to sponsor British Columbia's first ever Provincial Congress. The Congress will bring together all of British Columbia's MLAs, MPs and Senators, along with the Mayors from our province's 15 largest cities, the Presidents of the five regional municipal associations, the President of the Union of B.C. Municipalities, and First Nations leaders.

My government will act this Spring to engage all British Columbians in discussion of the principles to guide the provincial government's negotiating mandate in treaty talks.

A referendum will be conducted later this Spring by mail-in ballot that will put forward questions that have been approved by this Assembly. Those questions will build on the work done by the Select Standing Committee on Aboriginal Affairs. Last November, that Committee released its draft questions for the referendum, after several weeks of public hearings, submissions and deliberations.

The referendum will be overseen by Elections BC, and its results will be binding on government policy. An independent Referendum Office will be established to provide all British Columbians access to information about the referendum process, the treaty process, and issues of Aboriginal rights and title. It will also ensure that information is provided on the various perspectives on the referendum questions that may be held by different governments, First Nations and citizens at large.

My government's aim is to help all voters to become informed about the referendum questions and the issues they address in as fair and neutral a manner as possible. All British Columbians should know that my government's commitment to negotiated treaty settlements and the treaty process is not in question, nor is it open to debate.

The referendum cannot and will not be a tool for interfering in, or undermining, constitutionally protected Aboriginal rights and title. The referendum is intended to help fast-track treaty negotiations by giving all British Columbians a direct say on the principles that they think treaties should reflect and that will guide my government at the negotiating table. My government's clear intent is to foster greater understanding of the treaty process and to build public support for the critical need for treaties.

My government will continue to work with First Nations to expedite interim measures agreements, build capacity and produce tangible achievements that make a real difference for Aboriginal British Columbians' economic opportunities, health and quality of life.

My government is also committed to giving local governments more autonomy and better planning and revenue tools to reduce property tax pressures and enhance community stability.

The Community Charter Council was appointed by legislation last summer. The Council will table its report, including draft legislation, in a White Paper that will be publicly released during this Session. Following further consultation, Community Charter legislation will be introduced in this Chamber within the next year.

All of these initiatives will help pave the way for greater prosperity.

However, another critical element to achieving that end is a plan to get British Columbia's fiscal house in order.

Restoring sound fiscal management

Government must plan to live within its means and then do what is necessary to keep within that budget.

People wanted and demanded more services each year, and it is difficult to resist that political pressure. It is easier to say "yes" than it is to say "no".

That is the story of escalating debt and deficit budgets that was replayed for decades in every jurisdiction in Canada, until taxpayers started making different demands. They started to say "no more". No more deficits. No more wasteful spending. No more putting future taxpayers in debt because governments lack the discipline to live within their means.

B.C. taxpayers sent a new message in the general election last year. They elected a new government to make the decisions necessary to live within taxpayers' ability to pay.

By voting for my government's pledge to dramatically cut income taxes within its first 90 days, British Columbians also made it clear what they meant by *their* ability to pay. They wanted the lowest base personal income tax rates in Canada on the first \$60,000 of income, and more competitive income tax rates across the board. And that is what has been provided.

British Columbians voted to protect funding for health and education this year, at the levels established in the former government's last budget. My government did just that. In fact, it increased health funding by \$200 million beyond the amount it promised to maintain.

British Columbians also voted for my government's commitment to balance the budget by its third full budget, in 2004-05. Next week, my government will spell out how it plans to meet that commitment.

In short, my government received a mandate to cut income taxes, restore sound fiscal management, and focus resources first on patients, students and people in need. The measures my government announced and will implement in the coming years are aimed at honouring that mandate.

It is simply not possible to pay for everything that government used to do, and also balance the budget. It is simply irresponsible to put off the tough changes that must be made to bring spending into line with revenues.

My government will not break its trust with the people.

Spending will be reduced in areas other than health and education. Revenues will increase as our economy recovers. The budget will be balanced.

It won't be easy and it won't be without some hardship. But my government will do what needs to be done to get its financial affairs in order.

My government has done its best to focus its scarce resources where they are needed most — on patients, students and those in need. My government has done its best to ascertain which services are truly "core" services, and which ones are not. All of those decisions have been shared in open Cabinet meetings.

My government has been frank about the impact of its difficult choices on its employees, on programs and on community services. Over the next three years, all ministries, not including health and education, will experience an average reduction of 25% in their budgets.

Avoidable costs will be avoided. Unnecessary expenditures will be eliminated. Cost-effective innovations in service delivery will be employed. Assets that make sense to sell will be sold.

Unfortunately, even that will not be enough to cope with the enormity of the \$4.4-billion deficit problem that is facing future generations. The provincial debt has more than doubled in the last decade, and this coming year it will grow by at least another 10%.

Regrettably, my government must eliminate or scale back a number of services that many British Columbians would like to see maintained or increased. It will seek to moderate the impact on people by phasing out several less vital programs and services over the next three years.

Every effort has been made to mitigate the impact, especially on women, seniors, children and those most vulnerable in society. For example, my government has had to scale back spending in other areas to protect funding for vital services like transition houses for women and children leaving abusive relationships.

My government also remains committed to long-term improvements in services for women, children and families, including a sustainable child-care strategy that is partnership-driven, community-focused and targeted to those most in need.

In making the hard decisions that must be made to reduce spending, my government will continue to put the interests of patients, students and those most in need *first*.

Putting patients, students and people first

There is no greater or more pressing challenge than the need to save and renew public health care. As Canada's 13 Premiers have agreed, the current system is not sustainable. Indeed, that point was made by Members of this Assembly on the Select Standing Committee on Health in their recent report.

Health-care expenditures have tripled in British Columbia since 1985 — yet the system has lost ground every year. In that same period, the proportion that health-care spending consumes of the annual budget has grown from 31% to nearly 40% — and that is reducing the amount available to be spent on other public services.

British Columbia now spends more each year on health care than it raises in all the revenues *combined* from personal income tax, Medical Service Plan premiums, federal transfer payments and tobacco tax. And still that is not enough.

When Canada's national health-care program was launched almost four decades ago, it basically covered only hospital and doctors' fees. Pharmacare, home and continuing care, and other services now included in the Medical Services Plan were not publicly funded at that time. Then, the federal government contributed 50% of the costs of the health-care system. Today, the federal government funds only a small fraction of that amount, and the provincial government covers the difference.

Our population has grown older, and life expectancy has increased. The costs of drugs, equipment, technology, doctors' fees and health workers' wages and benefits have all grown exponentially. British Columbia's nurses recently received a 21% wage hike over three years, making them the highest-paid nurses in Canada.

Community health workers and health support workers in B.C. are also the highest paid in their fields in Canada.

When you have the highest-paid workers and runaway costs combined, something has to give. That something is increasingly patient care.

Funding cannot keep up to the cost pressures needed to maintain service levels, let alone improve patient care. This problem will obviously not go away any time soon. It will take major structural reforms that will not be very palatable to many and will challenge us all to accept some short-term sacrifices for long-term improvements in patient care.

In the past eight months, my government has done much to refocus health care funding on patients' needs.

It restructured regional health governance and delivery, to provide greater flexibility and strategic planning of health resources. It gave health authorities new tools to find savings and efficiencies.

My government's comprehensive nursing strategy is already showing results, as the number of nursing vacancies is being reduced. More nurses are being trained. And much higher wages, along with Canada's lowest income tax rates, are serving as powerful incentives to attract and retain skilled nurses.

My government has committed significant funds to substantially increase the number of medical school graduates, working in partnership with the University of British Columbia, the University of Victoria and the University of Northern British Columbia.

Difficult decisions have been made to reduce costs and coverage of supplementary benefits under the Medical Services Plan. Even with an increase of \$1.1 billion in the health budget this year, the pressures on health care are mounting. Potential costs in higher physician fees are sure to grow, without any adequate means to pay for them.

This has left my government with two more unpleasant choices. It could either accept increased service reductions to partially offset wage costs and higher physician fees, or it could raise Medical Service Plan premiums to increase the health budget. Last week, in open Cabinet, my government decided to do the latter, while also protecting lower-income earners.

Approximately 230,000 lower-income British Columbians will actually see their premiums decreased. But for most citizens, monthly MSP premiums are being raised significantly. This unwelcome measure will substantially increase the health budget. It will provide extra funding to help safeguard patients from the pressures of higher health delivery costs. Yet it won't be enough.

Further changes will be required to make the public health-care system sustainable.

Many of these were outlined very effectively in the Select Standing Committee's report, *Patients First: Renewal and Reform of British Columbia's Health Care System*. It was the product of extensive consultation with British Columbians in communities across our province. Its findings are echoed in other major recent studies on health care in Canada, including the recent preliminary report by the Commission on the Future of Health Care in Canada. In virtually every case, the need for fundamental structural changes is inescapable to save and renew our health-care system.

My government will continue to embrace that needed change in the months and years to come, to build a sustainable health-care system that is consistent with the five principles of the *Canada Health Act*. In this Session, measures will be introduced to reduce costs from duplication, administrative overlaps and overly prescriptive regulatory regimes.

The *Community Care Facility Act* will be substantially improved to establish a more responsive, results-based framework for community care that provides greater flexibility for individual care and consistent care standards.

My government will act this year to advance its target of creating 5,000 new intermediate and long-term care spaces by 2006.

British Columbians' health will be better safeguarded under new legislation to strengthen drinking water and ground water protection. As well, my government will be allocating more resources to the monitoring of drinking water quality. It has already taken concrete steps to improve the quality of drinking water. In conjunction with our federal and local government partners, it has approved the first 15 of many community water and sewer projects planned under the \$800-million Canada-B.C. Infrastructure program.

My government has recently introduced other changes aimed at putting students' interests first. It has acted on its election commitment to provide greater flexibility and local autonomy to elected school boards.

School boards are now able to better utilize and manage their districts' schools, classrooms and resources for students, and they have important new management tools to help them cope with cost pressures. New, legislated class-size limits will also ensure that students' needs are better protected and even enhanced, without the rigidity that prevented common-sense solutions at the school and district levels.

Changes to the *School Act* this Session will be aimed at improving student achievement through better system accountability and increased flexibility and choice for parents and students.

A new school funding formula will be introduced to give school districts a better chance to plan, through three-year funding allocations that are fairer and better aligned with student populations and classroom costs. As well, my government will establish new mechanisms to give parents real and meaningful input into education delivery and quality in our schools, and greater control and choice for their children.

My government also looks forward to the report of the Select Standing Committee on Education. That Committee consulted widely with British Columbians last Fall, and its findings will provide an important source of input.

Later this Spring, my government will organize a Dialogue on Education at the Morris J. Wosk Centre for Dialogue. It will bring together leaders in education from across B.C., including teachers, trustees, business leaders, deans of education, superintendents and parents, to discuss improvements and reforms to our education system.

In this Session, my government will introduce legislation to create more choice for post-secondary students — to ensure the system serves students and school districts better, with greater flexibility to allow them to take advantage of increased choices. This legislation will build on the important new tools that were recently given to colleges, institutes and universities to fully and properly utilize their facilities and resources to put students' interests first.

My government understands that every student learns differently, and has different needs and circumstances. Through the enhancement of degree-granting opportunities for both private and public institutions, students will have a wider variety of choice and flexibility in pursuing their post-secondary education.

My government will allow post-secondary institutions to make their own decisions about their tuition fee levels. This will restore greater autonomy to the institutions themselves, because they should be directly accountable to the students and communities they serve.

My government will also increase student spaces and restore certainty for learners who have been attending the Technical University of British Columbia. Simon Fraser University will assume responsibility for TechBC students and assets, allowing students to graduate with a degree from SFU while maintaining a presence in the growing community of Surrey.

With a looming skills shortage facing the province, my government recognizes the importance of skills and trades training to our future prosperity and growth.

To pave the way for the introduction of a modern, flexible training system that is more efficient and responsive to industry needs, my government will disband the current Industry Training and Apprenticeship Commission. An industry advisory committee will be appointed to guide the transition to the new model, while the funding to institutions for the delivery of skills and trades training will remain intact.

My government will also introduce legislation this Session to focus employment and assistance dollars first on those who are most in need. The legislation will replace four existing Acts. It will also facilitate a strategic shift from a culture of welfare entitlement to a culture of employment and self-sufficiency. The changes will provide for those people who require continuous assistance, and will encourage all individuals to reach their potential. In particular, the changes will insist on greater individual responsibility for those able to actively seek employment.

My government will put children and families first.

Legislation will be introduced this Session to streamline the process for obtaining and enforcing family maintenance orders in cases where one spouse lives in British Columbia and the other lives in a reciprocating jurisdiction. Child protection legislation will be amended to reflect the strategic shifts in child welfare that were outlined in open Cabinet last November. The legislation will offer more options to provide safe care for children within the environment of the extended family. Other strategic shifts will allow for the greater protection of children through the promotion of families and communities, and an increased focus on family development approaches to parents and families.

My government vowed to stop the expansion of gambling that has increased gambling addiction in our province and put new strains on families. That commitment has been kept, in keeping with existing

contractual obligations. This Session more will be done. A comprehensive legislative framework will be introduced for regulating and managing gaming more effectively and independently under the Gaming Policy and Enforcement Branch and the BC Lottery Corporation.

My government's Administrative Justice Project will also result in several major structural changes this year. Those changes will be aimed at making our province's administrative justice agencies more accessible, fair, efficient and affordable. New legislation will be introduced that consolidates key functions of the Children's Commission and Office of the Child, Youth and Family Advocate into a new agency, the Children's Officer.

A modernized *Residential Tenancy Act* will also be introduced, drafted in language that everyone can understand. It will protect the rights of renters and landlords, addressing issues such as illegal activities in rental accommodations, the rules for inspections, and dispute resolution mechanisms.

All of the changes outlined here will help lead our province forward to a more promising future — to a new era of hope and prosperity that is bright with possibility and brimming with potential.

Those changes will put our economy back on track, get our fiscal house in order, and begin to correct the structural problems that must be solved. Step by step, they will move us all beyond our fears and expectations, to the limits of our imagination.

Though the storms of change may rage, and rain hard with their resistance, they will not cloud our common purpose.

British Columbians know where my government is heading. And they know it can't get there without the courage of its convictions. Real progress is always difficult, but always worth the effort.

Let there be no doubt: British Columbia is on the move. It is charting new ground and reaching out to claim a better future.

To all citizens, my government holds out this promise: British Columbia's best days lie ahead. In time, we will amaze ourselves at the distance we have travelled together.

Thank you.

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

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

On the motion of the Hon. *G. Plant* (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. Collins*, seconded by Ms. *MacPhail*, it was *Ordered* —

That *John Weisbeck*, Member for Kelowna-Lake Country Electoral District, be appointed Deputy Speaker for this Session of the Legislative Assembly.

On the motion of the Hon. *G. Collins*, seconded by Ms. *MacPhail*, it was *Ordered* —

That *Harold Long*, Member for Powell River-Sunshine Coast 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. *G. Plant* (Attorney General), it was *Ordered* —

That the Votes and Proceedings of this House be printed, being first perused by Mr. 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. *G. Campbell* (Premier) moved that the Select Standing Committees of the House, for the present session, be appointed for the following purposes:

1. Aboriginal Affairs;
2. Education;
3. Finance and Government Services;
4. Health;
5. Public Accounts;
6. Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills;
7. Crown Corporations;

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. Collins* (Convener), Messrs. *Wong*, *Krueger*, *Wilson*, *Nuraney* and *Manhas*, Ms. *McMahon*, Ms. *Chong* and Ms. *MacPhail*.

Motion agreed to.

Ms. *MacPhail* reserved her right to raise a matter of privilege regarding recent reports in the media.

And then the House adjourned at 2.50 p.m.

Wednesday, February 13, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. *MacKay*.

Order called for "Members' Statements".

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members".

The Hon. *G. Collins* (Minister of Finance) tabled the Statement of Crown Proceeding Payments for the Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2000.

By leave, the Hon. *G. Collins* moved —

That the Special Committee to Review the Police Complaint Process be re-appointed and empowered to examine, inquire into and make recommendations with respect to the police complaints process in accordance with section 51.2 of the *Police Act* (RSBC 1996, c. 367) and in particular, without limiting the generality of the foregoing to:

1. Review comprehensively Part 9 (Complaint Procedure) of the *Police Act* and the work of the Police Complaint Commissioner;
2. Solicit and consider written and oral submissions from any interested person or organization by any means the Committee considers appropriate;

3. Submit a Report including any amendments to Part 9 that the Committee recommends to the Legislative Assembly arising out of the results of the Committee's inquiry within one year of this resolution being adopted by the House.

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 the following Members: Mr. *Nuraney* (Convener), Mmes. *Locke* and *Sahota*, Messrs. *Johnston*, *Lee*, *MacKay*, *Wong*, and Ms. *Kwan*.

Motion agreed to.

By leave, the Hon. *G. Collins* moved —

That the Select Standing Committee on Education be re-appointed and empowered to examine, inquire into and make recommendations by consulting with educators, students, parents, administrators and other British Columbians on the following matters:

1. (a) measures to improve access, choice, flexibility and quality in public education; and
(b) measures to strengthen our network of colleges, institutes and on-line learning throughout the province.
2. Consider any other matters referred to the Committee by the Minister of Education and the Minister of Advanced Education.
3. Prepare a report no later than February 28, 2002 on the results of those consultations.

In addition to the powers previously conferred upon the Select Standing Committee on Education, the Committee shall be empowered:

- (a) to appoint of their number, one or more subcommittees and to refer such subcommittees any of the matters referred to the Committee;
- (b) to sit during a period in which the House is adjourned 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 Select Standing Committee is to be composed of the following Members: Ms. *McMahon* (Convener), Mmes. *Brenzinger*, *Locke* and *Orr*, Messrs. *Christensen*, *Lee*, *Manhas*, *Masi*, *Nijjar* and *R. Stewart*.

Motion agreed to.

By leave, the Hon. *G. Collins* moved —

That the Sessional Order passed by the House on August 27, 2001, amending the Standing Orders for the duration of the Third Session of the Thirty-seventh Parliament, commencing February 12, 2002, be amended as follows:

Daily sittings.

1. Paragraph 2 (1) is amended by deleting “Wednesday 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.” and substituting “Wednesday 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.”

2. Paragraph 2 (2) (b) is amended by deleting “March 25” and substituting “March 18”.

3. Paragraph 3 is amended by deleting “7 p.m. (or 9 p.m. after March 4, 2002) on Wednesday” and substituting “6 p.m. (or 9 p.m. after March 4, 2002) on Wednesday;”

Orders of the Day.

4. Under the heading “*Private Members’ Time*” before “Public Bills in the hands of Private Members” add “Private Members’ Statements (10 a.m.)”.

5. Delete the paragraph immediately after “Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice” and substitute the following:

“No division, on Orders of the Day, will be taken in the House or in Committee of the Whole during Private Members’ Time, but where a division is requested, it will be deferred until thirty minutes prior to the ordinary time fixed for adjournment of the House on the Monday, unless otherwise ordered.”

6. Under the heading “*Government Days*” delete “Private Members’ Statements (6 p.m. Wednesday)”.

Private Members’ Statements.

7. Paragraph 25A. (1) is amended by deleting “Wednesday at 6 p.m.” and substituting “Monday at 10 a.m.” and by deleting “no later than 6 p.m. the preceding Monday” and substituting “no later than 6 p.m. the preceding Wednesday.”

8. Paragraph 25A. (3) is amended by deleting “Wednesday” and substituting “Monday”.

Motion agreed to.

The Sessional Order, as amended, reads as follows: —

1. That Standing Order 2 be deleted and the following substituted therefore:

Sittings

Daily sittings.

2. (1) The time for the ordinary meeting of the House shall, unless otherwise ordered, be as follows:

Monday:	Two distinct sittings: 10 a.m. to 12 noon 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. effective March 4, 2002
Tuesday:	Two distinct sittings: 10 a.m. to 12 noon 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Wednesday:	2 p.m. to 6 p.m. 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. effective March 4, 2002
Thursday:	Two distinct sittings: 10 a.m. to 12 noon 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

(2) (a) During the Third Session of the Thirty-Seventh Parliament, unless otherwise ordered, the House shall meet:

(i) from February 12, 2002 to May 30, 2002 inclusive
and

(ii) from October 7, 2002 to November 28, 2002 inclusive

(b) The House shall stand adjourned during the weeks of March 18, April 22, May 20, October 14 and November 11, 2002.

2. That Standing Order 3 be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

Hour of Interruption.

3. If at the hour of 6 p.m. (or 9 p.m. after March 4, 2002) on any Monday; 6 p.m. on Tuesday; 6 p.m. (or 9 p.m. after March 4, 2002) on Wednesday; or 6 p.m. on Thursday, the business of the day is not concluded and no other hour has been agreed on for the next sitting, the Speaker shall leave the Chair:

On Monday	until 10 a.m. Tuesday
On Tuesday	until 2 p.m. Wednesday
On Wednesday	until 10 a.m. Thursday
On Thursday	until 10 a.m. Monday

subject to the provisions of Standing Order 2 (2) (b).

3. That Standing Order 25 be deleted and the following substituted therefore:

Routine Business

Daily Routine.

25. The daily routine business of the House shall be as follows:

Prayers (morning or afternoon sitting)

Introduction of Bills

Statements (Standing Order 25B) (afternoon sittings)

Oral question period (15 minutes, afternoon sittings: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday)

Presenting Petitions

Reading and Receiving Petitions

Presenting Reports by Committees

Motions on Notice

Written Questions on Notice

Proposed Amendments on Notice

Orders of the day.

The order of business for consideration of the House day by day, after the above routine, shall, unless otherwise ordered, be as follows:

MONDAY

10 a.m. to 12 noon

(Private Members' Time)

Private Members' Statements (10 a.m.)

Public Bills in the hands of Private Members

Private Members' Motions

Private Bills

Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice

No division, on Orders of the Day, will be taken in the House or in Committee of the Whole during Private Members' Time, but where a division is requested, it will be deferred until thirty minutes prior to the ordinary time fixed for adjournment of the House on the Monday, unless otherwise ordered.

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY

(Government Days)

Throne Speech Debate

Budget Debate including Committee of Supply

Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice

Private Bills

Public Bills in the hands of Private Members

Adjourned debate on other motions

4. That Standing Order 25A be repealed and the following substituted therefore:

Private Members' Statements

Private Members' Statements.

25A. (1) Every Monday at 10 a.m. four Private Member may make a statement, notice of which has been tabled no later than 6 p.m. the preceding Wednesday.

(2) The order in which such statements are to be called shall be determined by lot by the Speaker, before appearing on the Orders of the Day.

(3) The time allocated on Monday for statements and discussion thereon shall not exceed one hour, and the time for each statement shall be limited to 15 minutes as follows:

Proponent: maximum of 7 minutes

Any other Members: maximum of 5 minutes

Proponent in reply: maximum of 3 minutes

(4) Private Members' statements shall not be subject to amendment, adjournment or vote.

(5) Statements and discussions under this Standing Order:

(a) shall be confined to one matter;

(b) shall not revive discussion on a matter which has been discussed in the same Session;

(c) shall not anticipate a matter which has been previously appointed for consideration by the House, in respect to which a Notice of Motion has been previously given and not withdrawn;

(d) shall not raise a question of privilege.

5. That new Standing Order 25B be adopted:

Statements

Statements.

25B. Three Private Members shall be permitted a two minute statement each day immediately prior to Oral Question Period subject to the following guidelines:

(1) A Member desiring to make a statement shall so advise his or her Whip 24 hours prior to the relevant day of the statement is to be made.

(2) Party Whips shall confer to settle the names of the three Members who will be recognised for "Statements" for the following sitting day and shall advise the Speaker by noon of the day in question as to who has been selected, together with the topic of the statement.

(3) Statements under this Standing Order shall be subject to the ordinary parliamentary rules of decorum and debate.

6. Oral question period Friday.

47B. This Standing Order is repealed.

7. That new Standing Order 81.1 be adopted.

81.1 (1) When a Minister of the Crown, from his or her place in the House, states that there is agreement among the representatives of all parties to allot a specified number of days or hours to the proceedings at one or more stages of any public bill, the Minister may propose a motion, without notice, setting forth the terms of such agreed allocation; and the motion shall be decided forthwith, without debate or amendment.

(2) A Minister of the Crown who from his or her place in the House, has stated that an agreement could not be reached under the provisions of section (1) of this Standing Order in respect of proceedings at one or more stages of a public bill, may propose without notice a motion for the purpose of allotting a specified number of days or hours for the consideration and disposal of proceedings at one or more stages of a public bill. The motion shall be decided forthwith, without debate or amendment. Any proceedings interrupted pursuant to this section of this Standing Order shall be deemed adjourned.

By leave, the Hon. *G. Collins* moved —

Resolved that the Legislative Assembly adopt the following sessional order:

Practice recommendation No. 11 (Standing Order 47, 47A)

Public Written Questions.

1. Written questions may be submitted by persons elected to head provincial or local public bodies designated under this order and in accordance with the guidelines established by Mr. Speaker. Questions submitted in writing to the Office of the Speaker by 4:00 p.m. Wednesday are eligible to be drawn on Thursday. Five questions drawn by the Speaker which conform to the guidelines shall be placed on the Orders of the Day on Monday of each week. A question shall be printed on 2 consecutive weeks unless answered.

2. A Private Member may ask a qualified question of a Minister during Question Period. The Member from whose constituency the question comes will have first refusal to put such question to the appropriate Minister. The Minister may answer the question orally or in writing by filing with the Clerk of the House. Written answers shall be published in the Votes and Proceedings.

3. Questions should relate to current provincial issues and public affairs, be timely, brief and stated without argument or opinion. The submission must not include unparliamentary language and shall be directed to the Minister who has responsibility for the area of interest.

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Mr. *Lekstrom* moved, seconded by Mr. *Nuraney* —

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.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.59 p.m.

Thursday, February 14, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Anderson*.

The Hon. *C. Richmond* (Speaker) tabled the Auditor General 2001/2002: Report 4 — Monitoring the Government's Finances.

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 Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.50 a.m.

Thursday, February 14, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. *Lekstrom* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services for the Second Session of the Thirty-seventh Parliament.

The Report was taken as read and received.

By leave of the House, Mr. *Lekstrom* moved that the Report be adopted.

Motion agreed to.

Mr. *Lekstrom* presented the Second Report of the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services for the Second Session of the Thirty-seventh Parliament.

The Report was taken as read and received.

By leave of the House, Mr. *Lekstrom* moved that the Report be adopted.

Motion agreed to.

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 Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.59 p.m.

Monday, February 18, 2002

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Cobb*.

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

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Order for “Private Members’ Statements” called.

The House proceeded to “Private Members’ Motions on Notice.”

Ms. *Kwan*, pursuant to Standing Order 31 (1), requested that Motions 1, 2 and 3 standing in her name on the Order Paper be allowed to stand and retain their precedence.

4 Ms. *Kwan* moved—

Be it resolved that this House supports the right for all British Columbians to access to justice including representation irrespective of who you are, where you come from, where you live and socio-economic status.

A debate arose.

On the motion of the Hon. *R. Coleman*, debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

Monday, February 18, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Ms. *Roddick* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Health, 2001, for the Second Session of the Thirty-seventh Parliament.

The Report was taken as read and received.

By leave of the House, Ms. *Roddick* moved that the Report be adopted.

Motion agreed to.

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 Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

On the motion of the Hon. *L. Reid*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5.57 p.m.

Tuesday, February 19, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *R. Stewart*.

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 Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.01 p.m.

Tuesday, February 19, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion of the Hon. *G. Collins* (Minister of Finance), 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. *G. Collins* (Minister of Finance) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPOGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith:
Estimates — Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2003; and
Supplement to the Estimates — Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2003;
and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

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

The Hon. *G. Collins* (Minister of Finance) moved, seconded by the Hon. *G. Campbell* (Premier), "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 Ms. *MacPhail*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

The Hon. *G. Collins* (Minister of Finance) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bills (Nos. 2, 3 and 4) intituled:
Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2002;
Taxation Statutes Amendment Act, 2002;
Corporation Capital Tax Amendment Act, 2002
and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 16, 2002

Bills introduced and read a first time.

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

By leave, the Hon. *G. Collins* (Minister of Finance) tabled the following documents:

Government Strategic Plan 2002/03 – 2004/05;

Service Plans 2002/03 to 2004/05 required under the *Budget Transparency and Accountability Act*, as follows:

Ministry Service Plans: Office of the Premier; Ministry of Advanced Education; Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries; Ministry of Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Treaty Negotiations; Ministry of Children and Family Development; Ministry of Community, Aboriginal and Women's Services, (Royal British Columbia Museum); Ministry of Competition, Science and Enterprise; Ministry of Education; Ministry of Energy and Mines; Ministry of Finance; Ministry of Forests; Ministry of Health Planning; Ministry of Health Services; Ministry of Human Resources; Ministry of Management Services, (Public Service Employee Relations Commission); Ministry of Provincial Revenue; Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General; Ministry of Skills, Development and Labour; Ministry of Sustainable Resource Management, (Land Reserve Commission); Ministry of Transportation; Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection; BC Environmental Assessment Office; Forest Practices Board;

Crown Corporation and Government Organization Service Plans: BC Arts Council; BC Assessment Authority; BC Buildings Corporation; BC Ferry Corporation; BC Games Society; BC Health Care Risk Management Society; BC Heritage Trust; BC Housing Management Commission; BC Hydro and Power Authority; BC Liquor Distribution Branch; BC Lottery Corporation; BC Pavilion Corporation; BC Railway Company; BC Securities Commission; BC Transit; BC Utilities Commission; Columbia Basin Trust; Columbia Power Corporation; Creston Valley Wildlife Management Authority Trust Fund; First Peoples' Heritage, Language and Culture Council; Homeowner Protection Office; Insurance Corporation of British Columbia; Land and Water BC; Legal Services Society; Oil and Gas Commission; Okanagan Valley Tree Fruit Authority; Organized Crime Agency of British Columbia Society; Private Post Secondary Education Commission; Provincial Capital Commission; Science Council of British Columbia; Tourism British Columbia; and

List of Government organizations exempt from section 13 of the *Budget Transparency and Accountability Act*.

And then the House adjourned at 3.26 p.m.

Wednesday, February 20, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Hon. *J. van Dongen*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *R. Neufeld* (Minister of Energy and Mines) tabled the following documents:

British Columbia Utilities Commission Annual Report 2000;

Oil and Gas Commission Annual Report 2000/2001;

Columbia Basin Trust Annual Report 2000 – 2001; and

BC Hydro Annual Report 2001.

Mr. *K. Stewart* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Crown Corporations for the Second session of the Thirty-seventh Parliament.

The Report was taken as read and received.

By leave of the House, Mr. *K. Stewart* moved that the Report be adopted.

Motion agreed to.

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 the Hon. *C. Whittred*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5.58 p.m.

Thursday, February 21, 2002

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by the Hon. *L Stephens*.

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 the Hon. *C. Hansen*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 12.01 p.m.

Thursday, February 21, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *C. Richmond* (Speaker) tabled the following documents:
Auditor General Service Plan, 2002/03 – 2004/05; and
Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner Service Plan, 2002-2005.

Ms. *Kwan* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts for the Second Session of the Thirty-seventh Parliament.

The Report was taken as read and received.

By leave of the House, Ms. *Kwan* moved that the Report be adopted.

Motion agreed to.

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 the Hon. *R. Thorpe*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5.56 p.m.

Monday, February 25, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by the Hon. *S. Bond*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for "Private Members' Statements" called.

The House proceeded to "Private Members' Motions on Notice."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on Motion 4 with respect to access to justice.

The Hon. *R. Coleman* (Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General) moved the following amendment:

To amend the Motion by deleting the words struck out and adding the words underlined:

Be it resolved that this House ~~supports the rights for all British Columbia to~~ endorses the Attorney General's plan to ensure that all British Columbians have access to justice including representation irrespective of who you are, where you come from, where you live and socio-economic status.

So that the Motion now reads in its entirety:

Be it resolved that this House endorses the Attorney General's plan to ensure that all British Columbians have access to justice including representation irrespective of who you are, where you come from, where you live and socio-economic status.

A debate arose.

Pursuant to the Sessional Order of February 13, 2002, division on the amendment to Motion 4 was deferred to later today.

Ms. *Kwan*, pursuant to Standing Order 31 (1), requested that Motions 1, 2, 3, 5, 6 and 7 standing in her name on the Order Paper be allowed to stand and retain their precedence.

Ms. *MacPhail*, pursuant to Standing Order 31 (1), requested that Motion 8 standing in her name on the Order Paper be allowed to stand and retain its precedence.

9 Ms. *MacPhail* moved —

Be it resolved that this House recognizes small communities throughout British Columbia experience unique challenges and that those challenges and the people who face them are as important as any other citizen and should therefore have equal representation at the Government's annual Provincial Conference.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

Monday, February 25, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Ms. *Kwan* rose on a point of order relating to a Member's right of first refusal regarding Public Written Questions.

The Speaker took the matter under advisement.

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. *Chong*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

An amendment to Motion 4 was agreed to on the following deferred division:

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<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Locke</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Thorpe</i>			

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MacPhail *Kwan*

And then the House adjourned at 5.39 p.m. until 2 p.m. on Wednesday.

Wednesday, February 27, 2002

TWO O’CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Mayencourt*.

The Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows:

Honourable Members:

On Monday last following Question Period, the Honourable Member for Vancouver-Mount Pleasant rose on a point of order relating to the interpretation of Practice Recommendation No. 11 dealing with Public Written Questions.

The point of order concerned the interpretation of the second sentence in paragraph 2 of the Sessional Order which reads as follows:

“The Member from whose constituency the question comes will have first refusal to put such question to the appropriate Minister.”

The Sessional Order further provides that a question which conforms to the guidelines “*shall be printed on 2 consecutive weeks unless answered*”. It is the Chair’s ruling that the “first refusal”

accorded to the Member from whose constituency the question arises will remain intact for the first week the question is published on Orders of the Day.

During the second week any Private Member may put the qualified question (unless previously answered) to a Minister during Question Period.

Paragraph 2 of the Sessional Order provides that the Minister may answer the question orally or in writing by filing with the Clerk of the House. When the question is answered, either orally or in writing, the question itself is dropped from the Orders of the Day.

Written answers will be published in the Votes and Proceedings.

CLAUDE RICHMOND, *Speaker*

The Hon. *R. Neufeld* (Minister of Energy and Mines) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 5) intituled *Vancouver Island Natural Gas Pipeline Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 25, 2002

Bill introduced and read 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 "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

By leave, the Hon. *G. Collins* moved —

That, notwithstanding the motion approved on February 13, 2002 regarding the Select Standing Committee on Education, the Committee be hereby instructed to prepare a Report to the House no later than March 28, 2002.

Motion agreed to.

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. *Brice*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5.57 p.m.

Thursday, February 28, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Les*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 5) intituled *Vancouver Island Natural Gas Pipeline Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

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

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. *Kerr*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 12.01 p.m.

Thursday, February 28, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. *MacKay* presented a petition regarding the Tulsequah Chief Mine Project.

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. *Bell*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5.45 p.m.

Monday, March 4, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Bray*.

The Hon. *C. Richmond* (Speaker) presented a Report of the Conflict of Interest Commissioner Pursuant to Section 19 (1) of the *Members' Conflict of Interest Act* in the Matter of an Application by *Joy MacPhail*, Member for Vancouver-Hastings and Leader of the Opposition, with respect to alleged contravention of provisions of the *Members' Conflict of Interest Act* by the Honourable *Sindi Hawkins*, Member of the Legislative Assembly for Kelowna-Mission and Minister of Health Planning.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for "Private Members' Statements" called.

The House proceeded to "Adjourned Debate Private Members' Motions on Notice."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on Motion 4 as amended.

Pursuant to the Sessional Order of February 13, 2002, division on Motion 4 (as amended) was deferred to later today.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on Motion 9.

Mr. *Halsey-Brandt* (Minister of State for Intergovernmental Relations) moved the following amendment —

Be it resolved that this House recognizes small communities throughout British Columbia experience unique challenges and that those challenges and the people who face them are as important as any other citizen and should therefore have equal strong and effective representation at the Government's annual Provincial ~~Conference~~ Congress.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.58 a.m.

Monday, March 4, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *R. Coleman* (Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 6) intituled *Gaming Control Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 27, 2002

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 “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

By leave, the Hon. *G. Collins* 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 Opposition may advise the Government House Leader, in writing, of three ministerial Estimates which the 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. Section A shall consist of 19 Members, being 17 Members of the B.C. Liberal Party and 2 Members of the New Democratic Party. 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. For the third session of the Thirty-seventh Parliament, the Members of Section A shall be as follows: the Minister whose Estimates are under consideration and Messrs. *Bennett, Bloy, Bray, Hamilton, Hunter, Jarvis, Lee, McKay, Manhas, Penner, R. Stewart* and *Visser*, Mmes. *Locke, Orr, Sahota, Trumper* and Mmes. *Kwan* and *MacPhail*.

5. At fifteen minutes prior to the ordinary time fixed for adjournment of the House, the Chair of Section 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 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) Opposition; and
- (3) Government.

6. Section 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 and 9.

Motion agreed to.

Bill (No. 5) intituled *Vancouver Island Natural Gas Pipeline Amendment Act, 2002* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

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.

Motion agreed to.

Motion 4 as amended agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—72

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Campbell</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Locke</i>	<i>Hunter</i>

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

The House recessed until 6.30 p.m.

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

The debate continued.

Motion agreed to.

And then the House adjourned at 8.38 p.m.

PUBLIC WRITTEN QUESTIONS

2 Rolly Hein, Mayor, District of Lake Country to ask the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries, the following question: —

All farmers in B.C. suffer, due to the world market, due to lack of financial assistance, due to high cost of fuel, due to lack of caring by the same people who rely on farmers to produce their daily food needs. It seems we can help forestry, mining, and private enterprise in “bailouts” but not farmers. The A.L.R. in the minds and hearts of citizens is a good thing because it gives us the green space that makes B.C. supernatural. At the time of initiating the Act, farmers were upset until they were promised by the N.D.P. that financial help would be provided to all farmers whose land was affected by the legislation. Mr. Minister, will this government initiate a financial policy for the well being of all farmers in B.C.?

“OFFICE OF THE MINISTER,

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND FISHERIES

“VICTORIA, B.C., MARCH 1, 2002

“*Rolly Hein*

“*Mayor*

“*District of Lake Country*

“DEAR ROLLY HEIN — Thank you for your question submitted through the Office of the Speaker as a Public Written Question.

“The vision for the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries is for a competitive and profitable industry providing safe, high-quality food for consumers and export markets. The government and ministry’s role is to create an environment that will help the industry to become more self-reliant.

“By lowering taxes, making government services more affordable and reducing regulations, we will create a supportive business climate for the individual entrepreneur or large-scale business.

“Other programs and initiatives assist British Columbia farmers as well:

“The Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) sets aside a stable land base for farming of five percent of the province’s land. Under the right to farm provision of the *Local Government Act*, regions and municipalities can create farm bylaws to regulate farm practices subject to the minister’s approval.

“The *Farm Practices Protection (Right to Farm) Act* (FPPA) protects farmers from nuisance actions against their farm operations provided they follow normal farm practices on land within the ALR or on land zoned for agriculture. The FPPA enabled the creation of a Farm Practices Board, which formally hears complaints and determines what is ‘normal farm practice.’

“British Columbia farmers benefit from a competitive tax regime that includes cuts to personal income taxes, lowered income taxes on businesses, a higher small-business tax threshold, and cutting red tape and reducing the regulatory burden on businesses. The government’s review of all regulations will ease the administrative burden on food producers and processors.

“The federal and provincial governments share the cost to farmers of managing the risks they face:

“• Crop insurance for adverse weather conditions provides coverage of two hundred million dollars against weather-related losses. The premiums are cost shared by the federal government, provincial government and farms.

“• The Whole Farm Insurance Program provides commodity price protection with more than fifteen million dollars for unexpected drops in farm incomes.

“• The Net Income Stabilization Account helps farmers even out good and bad years with more than twelve million dollars to match farmers’ contributions.

“Changes to the Okanagan Valley Tree Fruit Authority replant program help orchardists change over to more productive and marketable varieties. This program is being maintained to meet the original commitment of the previous government.

“The Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries will use its extensive expertise to be the advocate for industry, helping industry to solve specific problems that create a barrier for doing business and working with other levels of government: international, federal, provincial and local.

“British Columbia is working with the federal government and the other provinces and territories to put in place a comprehensive Agriculture Policy Framework. The national Agriculture Policy Framework aims to increase the public knowledge of and support for the agrifood sector in Canada and in British Columbia.

“Yours Sincerely,
“John van Dongen,
“*Minister*”

Tuesday, March 5, 2002

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Anderson*.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to the Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Office of the Premier).

(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 11.56 a.m.

Tuesday, March 5, 2002

TWO O’CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *S. Santori* (Minister of Management Services) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 7) intituled *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
February 28, 2002*

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. Hansen* (Minister of Health Services) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

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

*Government House,
March 4, 2002*

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 "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *G. Collins* (Minister of Finance) tabled the Statement of Crown Proceeding Payments for the Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2001.

The Hon. *S. Santori* (Minister of Management Services) tabled the Twenty-Fifth Annual Report of the business done in pursuance of the *Public Service Benefit Plan Act* for the year ended March 31, 2001.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Office of the Premier).

(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 5.58 p.m.

Wednesday, March 6, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Hon. C. Clark.

The Hon. K. Falcon (Minister of State for Deregulation) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 8) intituled *Deregulation Statutes Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
March 5, 2002*

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 "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

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

The Hon. G. Cheema (Minister of State for Mental Health) advised the Speaker that pursuant to section 10 (1) of the *Members' Conflict of Interest Act*, he would withdraw from the debate on Bill (No. 9).

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—67

Falcon
Coell
Hogg
L. Reid
Halsey-Brandt
Hawkins
Whittred
Hansen
J. Reid
Bruce
Santori
van Dongen
Barisoff
Roddick
Wilson
Masi
Lee

Thorpe
Hagen
Murray
Plant
Clark
Bond
de Jong
Nebbeling
Stephens
Abbott
Coleman
Chong
Penner
Jarvis
Anderson
Orr
Harris

Nuraney
Brenzinger
R. Stewart
Bell
Chutter
Long
Mayencourt
Trumper
Johnston
Bennett
Belsey
Hayer
Christensen
Krueger
McMahon
Bray
Les

Locke
Nijjar
Wong
Visser
MacKay
Cobb
K. Stewart
Suffredine
Brice
Sultan
Hamilton
Sahota
Hawes
Kerr
Manhas
Hunter

NAYS—3

*MacPhail**Kwan**Lekstrom*

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

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Sustainable Resource Management; Ministry of Provincial Revenue; Ministry of Management Services and Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General).

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

The Committee recessed until 6.30 p.m.

(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)

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$45,253,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Provincial Revenue, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2003.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$38,570,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Management Services, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2003.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,272,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Management Services, Public Service Employee Relations Commission, to 31st March, 2003.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Management Services, Product Sales and Services, to 31st March, 2003.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$461,469,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2003.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$29,982,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General, Statutory Services, to 31st March, 2003.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Provincial Revenue, Ministry of Management Services and Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General.

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 Provincial Revenue, Ministry of Management Services and Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 8.56 p.m.

PUBLIC WRITTEN QUESTIONS

1 Al Kemp, Chair, Thompson-Nicola Regional District to ask the Hon. the Minister of Water, Land and Air Protection regarding the Minister's responsibility for solid waste management, the following question: —

Rural residents have expressed concern to directors of the Thompson-Nicola Regional District about their inability to dispose of waste lubricating oil, oil filters and antifreeze in their respective communities and of the apparent lack of enforcement of the Return of Used Lubricating Oil Regulation. Can the Minister responsible for this program please advise as to steps being taken to improve the recycling programs for these products in the rural areas and whether the funds from the Sustainable Environment Fund will be used to support this program?

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

Thank you for posing your question to me in the Legislative Assembly on February 28, 2002, regarding the disposal of waste oils, and other automobile related hazardous waste. As Minister of Water, Land and Air Protection, it is my priority to ensure that these kinds of hazardous materials are disposed of in an appropriate manner across the province.

There has been considerable interest by industry groups to move towards a used oil product stewardship program. The Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection is creating a new business plan for product stewardship in the Province of British Columbia, and this program is one of several that are under active consideration. I believe that there is great potential for expanding our approach to an industry-led product stewardship, and in doing so, will keep these kinds of hazardous materials out of our environment.

Thursday, March 7, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Manhas*.

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 Sustainable Resource Management).

Bill (No. 9) intituled *Medical Services Arbitration Act* was committed.

In consideration of section 2 of Bill (No. 9) the Committee divided, as follows:

YEAS—62

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Les</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Locke</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Campbell</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Orr</i>		

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

In consideration of section 3 of Bill (No. 9) the Committee divided, as follows:

YEAS—62

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Les</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Locke</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Campbell</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Orr</i>		

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

In consideration of section 4 of Bill (No. 9) the Committee divided, as follows:

YEAS—62

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Les</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Locke</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Campbell</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Orr</i>		

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

Bill (No. 9) 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.

The Speaker declared a short recess.

Her 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 Acts:

Bill (No. 5) *Medical Services Arbitration Act*.

Bill (No. 9) *Vancouver Island Natural Gas Pipeline Amendment Act, 2002*.

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

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

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

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

The Hon. *C. Richmond* (Speaker) tabled the Auditor General 2001/02 Report 5: Management of the Information Technology Portfolio in the Ministry of Attorney General.

And then the House adjourned at 11.55 a.m.

Thursday, March 7, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

By leave, Ms. *MacPhail* tabled a document referred to in Oral Question Period.

By leave, the Hon. *G. Plant* (Attorney General) tabled the Report of the Task Force on Pay Equity entitled *Working Through the Wage Gap*.

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 Sustainable Resource Management; Ministry of Skills, Development and Labour and Ministry of Competition, Science and Enterprise).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Office of the Premier and Ministry of Health Planning).

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION B)

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$49,727,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Office of the Premier, Office of the Premier, to 31st March, 2003.

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

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$114,626,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Sustainable Resource Management, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2003.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,931,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Sustainable Resource Management, Land Reserve Commission, to 31st March, 2003.

51. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,470,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Environmental Assessment Office, to 31st March, 2003.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$28,728,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Skills Development and Labour, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2003.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$52,180,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Competition, Science and Enterprise, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2003.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the Estimates of the Ministry of Sustainable Resource Management; Ministry of Skills Development and Labour and Ministry of Competition, Science and Enterprise.

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 Sustainable Resource Management; Ministry of Skills Development and Labour and Ministry of Competition, Science and Enterprise) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.59 p.m.

Monday, March 11, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Manhas*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for "Private Members' Statements" called.

The House proceeded to "Adjourned Debate on Private Members' Motions on Notice."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to Motion 9.

The amendment passed, on division.

Motion 9 as amended was agreed to.

Ms. *Kwan*, pursuant to Standing Order 31 (1), requested that Motions 1, 2 and 3 standing in her name on the Order Paper be allowed to stand and retain their precedence.

5 Ms. *Kwan* moved—

Be it resolved that this House opposes the lift of the tuition fee freeze.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

Monday, March 11, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

The Hon. *C. Richmond* (Speaker) made a statement regarding Commonwealth Day.

The Hon. *G. Campbell* (Premier) moved, seconded by Ms. *MacPhail*—

Resolved that the following message be forwarded to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, Queen of Canada and Head of the Commonwealth.

“The Queen’s Most Excellent Majesty, Most Gracious Sovereign, on Commonwealth Day, 2002, we, the Members of the 37th Parliament of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, beg to offer our sincere congratulations on the Fiftieth Anniversary of your reign.

“In this Golden Jubilee year, the people of British Columbia are proud to join other members of the Commonwealth in paying tribute to Your Majesty’s guidance and devotion to duty and to reaffirm our continuing loyalty and respect.

“The citizens of British Columbia are looking forward with great pleasure to the visit of Your Majesty and His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh to our Pacific province, in the year of your fiftieth reign.

“We pray that Your Majesty will continue to reign in peace, health and happiness for many years to come.”

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 Education).

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

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION B)

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$16,633,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Health Planning, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2003.

Section B of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again 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 9.03 p.m.

Tuesday, March 12, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Wong*.

Mr. *Les* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Aboriginal Affairs for the Second Session of the Thirty-seventh Parliament.

The Report was taken as read and received.

By leave of the House, Mr. *Les* moved that the Report be adopted.

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 Education).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Community, Aboriginal and Women's 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)

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 11.58 a.m.

Tuesday, March 12, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *G. Plant* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Treaty Negotiations) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 10) intituled *McLeod Lake Indian Band Treaty No. 8 Adhesion and Settlement Agreement Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
March 5, 2002*

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 “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

The Hon. *G. Plant* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Treaty Negotiations) tabled the Children’s Commission Annual Report, 2000.

The Hon. *J. Murray* (Minister of Water, Land and Air Protection) tabled the Environmental Appeal Board Annual Report, 2000/2001.

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 Community, Aboriginal and Women’s 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)

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.

Wednesday, March 13, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Ms. *Locke*.

The Hon. *C. Richmond* (Speaker) made a statement regarding the appointment of *Kate Ryan-Lloyd* as a Table Officer.

By leave, on the motion of the Hon. *G. Collins*, seconded by Ms. *MacPhail*, it was *Ordered* —
That *Kate Ryan-Lloyd* be, and is hereby appointed, Clerk Assistant/Committee Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia.

Order called for “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

30 The Hon. *G. Plant* moved —

That the House urges the Government to conduct a referendum asking the following questions.

Whereas the Government of British Columbia is committed to negotiating workable, affordable treaty settlements that will provide certainty, finality and equality;

Do you agree that the Provincial Government should adopt the following principles to guide its participation in treaty negotiations?

1. Private property should not be expropriated for treaty settlements.
2. The terms and conditions of leases and licences should be respected; fair compensation for unavoidable disruption of commercial interests should be ensured.
3. Hunting, fishing and recreational opportunities on Crown land should be ensured for all British Columbians.
4. Parks and protected areas should be maintained for the use and benefit of all British Columbians.
5. Province-wide standards of resource management and environmental protection should continue to apply.
6. Aboriginal self-government should have the characteristics of local government, with powers delegated from Canada and British Columbia.
7. Treaties should include mechanisms for harmonizing land use planning between Aboriginal governments and neighbouring local governments.
8. The existing tax exemptions for Aboriginal people should be phased out.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—62

Falcon
Coell
Hogg
Halsey-Brandt
Hawkins
Whittred
Cheema
Hansen
Bruce
Santori
van Dongen
Barisoff
Nettleton
Roddick
Wilson
Masi

Lee
Thorpe
Murray
Plant
Campbell
Clark
Bond
Stephens
Abbott
Coleman
Chong
Penner
Jarvis
Anderson
Harris
Nuraney

Brenzinger
Bell
Long
Mayencourt
Trumper
Johnston
Bennett
Belsey
Hayer
Christensen
Krueger
McMahon
Bray
Les
Nijjar

Bhullar
Wong
Visser
Lekstrom
MacKay
Cobb
K. Stewart
Suffredine
Brice
Sultan
Sahota
Hawes
Kerr
Manhas
Hunter

NAYS—2

MacPhail

Kwan

The House recessed until 6.45 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 Education).

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 8) intituled *Deregulation Statutes Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 8) 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. 7) intituled *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 7) 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. 6) intituled *Gaming Control Act*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 6) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Community, Aboriginal and Women's 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)

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 8.56 p.m.

Thursday, March 14, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by the Hon. *S. Santori*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The Hon. *G. Collins* (Minister of Finance) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith:
Supplementary Estimates — Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2002;
and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
March 13, 2002*

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

Order for Committee of Supply called.

The House resolved itself into Committee of Supply (Supplementary Estimates of the Ministry of Health Services and Ministry of Competition, Science and Enterprise).

The Committee recessed until 10.25 a.m.

(IN COMMITTEE)

33 (S). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$230,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Health, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2002.

57 (S). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$340,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Skeena Cellulose Inc., to 31st March, 2002.

Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions.
Report to be considered forthwith.

The Hon. *G. Collins* moved—

That the report of resolutions from the Committee of Supply on March 14, 2002, be now received, taken as read and agreed to.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *G. Collins* moved—

That there be granted from and out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the sum of \$570,000,000. This sum is in addition to that authorized to be paid under section 1 of the *Supply Act, 2001-2002*, 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, 2002.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *G. Collins* (Minister of Finance) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 12) intituled *Supply Act, 2001-2002 (Supplementary)* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House
March 13, 2002

Bill introduced and read a first time.

The Speaker declared a short recess for distribution of the Bill.

Bill (No. 12) was read a second time.

On the motion of the Hon. *G. Collins*, Bill (No. 12) was referred to Committee of the Whole House to be considered forthwith.

Bill (No. 12) was committed, reported complete without amendment, 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 Community, Aboriginal and Women's 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 11.59 a.m.

Thursday, March 14, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

The Hon. *G. Plant* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Treaty Negotiations) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 11) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 12, 2002

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 and Mines).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Community, Aboriginal and Women's 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)

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 declared a short recess.

Her 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 Act:

Bill (No. 12) *Supply Act 2001-2002 (Supplementary)*.

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

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

"In Her Majesty's name, Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor doth thank Her Majesty's loyal subjects, accepts their benevolence, and assents to this Act."

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

And then the House adjourned at 5.50 p.m.

Monday, March 25, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *K. Stewart*.

Mr. *Masi* reserved his right to raise a matter of privilege with respect to disclosure of a draft Report of the Education Committee prior to the Report being presented to the House.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for "Private Members' Statements" called.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on Motion 5.

The Hon. *S. Bond* (Minister of Advanced Education) moved the following amendment —

That Motion No. 5 be amended by striking out all the words after "that" and substituting "This House supports the return of autonomy to BC's public post secondary institutions to set their own tuition fees."

Ms. *MacPhail* rose on a point of order relating to the amendment to Motion 5, namely, that the amendment is out of order as it creates a direct negative.

The Speaker took the matter under advisement.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.49 a.m.

Monday, March 25, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

The Hon. *G. Campbell* (Premier) made a ministerial statement regarding the tariff imposed by the United States on Canadian softwood lumber exports.

Ms. *MacPhail* made a statement.

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 and Mines and Ministry of Education).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Community, Aboriginal and Women's Services).

The Committee recessed until 6.35 p.m.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION B)

On the motion that Section B rise and report progress, the Committee divided.

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

YEAS—56

Falcon
Hogg
Halsey-Brandt
Hawkins
J. Reid
Bruce
Santori
van Dongen
Barisoff
Nettleton
Roddick
Wilson
Masi
Lee

Plant
Collins
Clark
de Jong
Nebbeling
Stephens
Abbott
Neufeld
Chong
Anderson
Orr
Harris
Nuraney
Brenzinger

Bell
MacPhail
Kwan
Chutter
Long
Mayencourt
Trumper
Johnston
Belsey
Hayer
Bray
Les
Locke
Nijjar

Bhullar
Wong
Visser
MacKay
Cobb
K. Stewart
Bloy
Suffredine
Brice
Sultan
Hamilton
Sahota
Hawes
Manhas

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)

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$47,429,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Energy and Mines, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2003.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Energy and Mines, British Columbia Utilities Commission, to 31st March, 2003.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Energy and Mines, Resource Revenue Sharing Agreements, to 31st March, 2003.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,861,081,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Education, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2003.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the Estimates of the Ministry of Energy and Mines and 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 Energy and Mines and Ministry of Education) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 9 p.m.

Tuesday, March 26, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Christensen*.

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 Human Resources).

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Community, Aboriginal and Women's 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)

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.

Tuesday, March 26, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *G. Collins* (Minister of Finance) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

FREDERICK A. MELVIN
Administrator

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 13) intituled *Supply Act (No. 1), 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Victoria Law Courts,
March 26, 2002

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 decision as follows:

Honourable Members:

On Monday morning, March 25th, the Minister of Advanced Education moved an amendment to Motion No. 5 standing in the name of the Member for Vancouver-Mt. Pleasant. The original motion reads as follows: "Be it resolved that this House opposes the lift of the tuition fee freeze." The proposed amendment reads as follows: "That Motion No. 5 be amended by striking out all the words after "that" and substituting "This House supports the return of autonomy to BC's public post secondary institutions to set their own tuition fees."

The Leader of the Opposition raised a point of order submitting that the amendment was out of order because it constituted a direct negative of the motion under debate.

The Chair has had an opportunity to examine the amendment. The direct negative theory as raised by the Leader of the Opposition has, in the past, been successfully argued to rule amendments out of order. The question before me is whether or not the amendment falls into this category.

Perhaps the clearest statement dealing with the specific matter is contained in Erskine May's 22nd edition page 343, which reads as follows: "the object of an amendment may be either added to modify a question in such a way as to increase its acceptability or, to present to the House a different proposition as an alternative to the original question."

The latter purpose may be effected by moving to omit all or most of the words of the question after the first word "that" and to substitute an alternative proposition which must, however, be relevant to the subject of the question."

It is clear that the amendment is relevant to the subject of the original motion and that it substitutes an alternative proposition. Accordingly, the questioned amendment does not amount to a direct negative and is in order.

CLAUDE RICHMOND, *Speaker*

Order called for Members' Statements.

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 Human Resources).

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 2) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

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

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply (estimates of the Ministry of Community, Aboriginal and Women's 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)

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.

Wednesday, March 27, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Anderson*.

On the motion of Ms. *MacPhail*, Bill (No. M 201) intituled *Fisheries Act Amendment Act, 2002* 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 “Members’ Statements”.

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

The Hon. *R. Coleman* (Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General) tabled the following documents:

Board of Parole for the Province of British Columbia Annual Report, April 1, 2000 to March 31, 2001; and

Criminal Injury Compensation Program Annual Report, 2001.

Mr. *Masi* rose on a point of privilege relating to the premature disclosure of the draft report of the Select Standing Committee on Education.

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 Agriculture, Food and Fisheries and Ministry of Attorney General).

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 13) intituled *Supply Act (No. 1), 2002*, a debate arose.

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. 2) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2002*, was committed.

In consideration of section 6 of Bill (No. 2) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—67

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>	

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

In consideration of sections 8 and 9 of Bill (No. 2) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—66

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Anderson</i>		

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MacPhail *Kwan*

Bill (No. 2) was reported complete without amendment, 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 Community, Aboriginal and Women's Services, Ministry of Advanced Education, Ministry of Transportation and Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection).

The House recessed until 6.30 p.m.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION B)

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$535,278,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Community, Aboriginal and Women's Services, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2003.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,004,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Community, Aboriginal and Women's Services, Royal British Columbia Museum, to 31st March, 2003.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$488,343,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Transportation, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2003.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250,162,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Transportation, Public Transit, to 31st March, 2003.

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 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.

Ms. *Kwan* made a statement relating to the point of privilege raised earlier today.

The Hon. *G. Collins* made a statement.

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

And then the House adjourned at 8.55 p.m.

Thursday, March 28, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Masi*.

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 Attorney General).

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

(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.

(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 11.59 a.m.

Thursday, March 28, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *G. Hogg* (Minister of Children and Family Development) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

FREDERICK A. MELVIN
Administrator

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 17) intituled *Child, Family and Community Service Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Victoria Law Courts,
March 26, 2002

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 "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *J. Reid* (Minister of Transportation) tabled the following reports:

BC Transit Annual Report, 2001; and

Rapid Transit Project 2000 Annual Report, April 2000 to March 2001.

Ms. *McMahon* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Education for the Third Session of the Thirty-seventh Parliament.

The Report was taken as read and received.

By leave of the house, Ms. *McMahon* moved that the Report be adopted.

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

Ms. *Kwan* sought leave to table a document.

Leave was not granted.

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 Attorney General).

Bill (No. 13) intituled *Supply Act (No. 1), 2002* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

The Hon. *G. Collins* (Minister of Finance) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

FREDERICK A. MELVIN
Administrator

The Administrator transmits herewith:

Supplementary Estimates (No. 2) — Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2002;
and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Victoria Law Courts,
March 26, 2002

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

The Committee recessed until 3 p.m.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

The House resolved itself into Committee of Supply (Supplementary Estimates of the Ministry of Finance).

(IN COMMITTEE)

58 (S). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$95,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Government Restructuring (All Ministries), to 31st March, 2002.

Committee of Supply reported the Resolution.

Report to be considered forthwith.

The Hon. *G. Collins* moved—

That the report of resolution from the Committee of Supply on March 28, 2002, be now received, taken as read and agreed to.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *G. Collins* moved—

That there be granted from and out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the sum of \$95,000,000. This sum is in addition to that authorized to be paid under section 1 of the *Supply Act, 2001-2002* and section 1 of the *Supply Act, 2001-2002 (Supplementary)* and is granted by Her Majesty towards defraying the charges and expenses of the public service for the province for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2002.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *G. Collins* (Minister of Finance) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

FREDERICK A. MELVIN
Administrator

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 14) intituled *Supply Act, 2001-2002 (Supplementary No. 2)* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Victoria Law Courts,
March 26, 2002*

Bill introduced and read a first time.

The Speaker declared a short recess for distribution of the Bill.

Bill (No. 14) was read a second time.

On the motion of the Hon. *G. Collins*, Bill (No. 14) was referred to Committee of the Whole House to be considered forthwith.

Bill (No. 14) was committed, reported complete without amendment, 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 Advanced Education).

(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)

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 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 title to the following Act:
Bill (No. 2) *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2002*.

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

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 Administrator doth assent to this Act."

Ian D. Izard, Esq., Law Clerk and Clerk Assistant, read the title to the following Acts:
Bill (No. 13) *Supply Act (No. 1), 2002*.
Bill (No. 14) *Supply Act, 2001-2002 (Supplementary No. 2)*.

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

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 Administrator doth thank Her Majesty’s loyal subjects, accepts their benevolence, and assents to these Acts.”

His Honour the Administrator was then pleased to retire.

The Hon. *G. Collins* moved—

That the House at its rising stand adjourned until 10 o’clock a.m. on Tuesday, April 2, 2002.

And then the House adjourned at 5.33 p.m.

Tuesday, April 2, 2002

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by the Hon. *R. Neufeld*.

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, Food and Fisheries).

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

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, April 2, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. C. Hansen (Minister of Health Services) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

FREDERICK A. MELVIN
Administrator

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 18) intituled *Health Services Statutes Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Victoria Law Courts
March 26, 2002

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. S. Hawkins (Minister of Health Planning) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

FREDERICK A. MELVIN
Administrator

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 19) intituled *Health Planning Statutes Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Victoria Law Courts
March 26, 2002

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 "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows:

Honourable Members:

On Monday, March 25th, the Member for Delta North rose and reserved his right to raise a matter of privilege relating to a purported leak of a draft report from the Education Committee and on Wednesday, March 27th, the same Member rose and presented the matter of privilege for consideration by the Chair.

I note that the Member has meticulously followed the practice of this House in presenting his matter of privilege in that he briefly stated the matter, tabled the newspaper article which disclosed the possible breach of privilege and tendered the motion he proposes to move should it be found that a *prima facie* case of breach of privilege has been established.

On Wednesday, March 27th, the Member for Vancouver-Mount Pleasant stood in her place and advised the House that she had shared the draft report with a group of people prior to the report being

tabled in the House on what was she understood to be a "confidential basis". To her credit the Member went on to express her regret and apologized to the House for her part in the matter.

Before turning to the merit of the presentation of the Member for Delta North, let me briefly observe that the Chair considers matters of privilege and contempt and alleged breaches in a most serious vein. It is a tradition as old as Parliament itself that Members are entitled to conduct their deliberations without inappropriate harassment or intimidation being brought to bear on their work.

Let me further observe that the release of a draft report from a parliamentary Committee prior to that report being tabled in the House has been held to be a breach of privilege many times — particularly where the release of the report interferes directly or indirectly with the Committee's deliberations. (See *Parliamentary Practice in British Columbia*, 3rd edition, page 51).

I have examined with care the material laid before me in this matter and it would appear that the leaked report was used in such a way as to attempt to intimidate the members of the Education Committee. Among the material filed was an extract from the *Vancouver Sun* of March 18, 2002. If the allegations contained in that article are substantiated after an examination of this matter by a Committee of the House, the Chair would consider that a serious offence has been committed.

The precedents are clear that it is not within the Speaker's authority to make any final determination, but rather I must satisfy myself that the material and arguments presented are sufficient to constitute a *prima facie* breach of privilege or contempt of this Assembly.

The Chair finds that the material submitted, combined with the admission of the Member for Vancouver-Mount Pleasant, establishes a *prima facie* case and, accordingly, I invite the Honourable Member for Delta North to move his motion.

CLAUDE RICHMOND, *Speaker*

Mr. Masi moved—

That the matter pertaining to the premature disclosure of the Select Standing Committee on Education Report be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills.

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to, on division.

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, Food and Fisheries and Ministry of Human Resources).

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

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$54,428,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2003.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$980,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries, British Columbia Marketing Board, to 31st March, 2003.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,650,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries, Okanagan Valley Tree Fruit Authority, to 31st March, 2003.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries.

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, Food and Fisheries) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.52 p.m.

Wednesday, April 3, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Ms. *MacPhail*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *C. Richmond* (Speaker) tabled the Auditor General 2001/02: Report 6 — Information Use by the Ministry of Health in Resource Allocation Decisions for the Regional Health Care System.

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 Human Resources and Ministry of Attorney General).

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

The Committee recessed until 6.30 p.m.

(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)

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,789,143,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Human Resources, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2003.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Human Resources.

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 Human Resources) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 8.49 p.m.

Thursday, April 4, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Bell*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

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

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

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 11.58 a.m.

Thursday, April 4, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *G. Collins* (Minister of Finance) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 20) intituled *Registry Statutes Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
April 2, 2002

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. *R. Coleman* (Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 24) intituled *Criminal Injury Compensation Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
April 4, 2002

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 "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *G. Collins* presented the First Report of the Special Committee of Selection, which read as follows:

FIRST REPORT

DOUGLAS FIR COMMITTEE ROOM,
PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS,
April 4, 2002

HONOURABLE SPEAKER:

The Special Committee of Selection appointed on February 12, 2002 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:

CROWN CORPORATIONS—Mr. *Stewart* (Convener), Messrs. *Bennett*, *Hayer*, Ms. *Chong*, Messrs. *Johnston*, *Bell*, *Jarvis*, *Wilson*, *Nuraney*, *Bhullar* and Ms. *MacPhail*.

FINANCE AND GOVERNMENT SERVICES—Mr. *Lekstrom* (Convener), Messrs. *Hamilton*, *Bray*, *Sultan*, *Bloy*, *Wong*, Ms. *Orr*, Messrs. *Kerr*, *Mayencourt*, Ms. *Chong* and Ms. *MacPhail*.

PARLIAMENTARY REFORM, ETHICAL CONDUCT, STANDING ORDERS AND PRIVATE BILLS—Mr. *Penner* (Convener), Messrs. *Bray*, *Les*, Ms. *Chong*, Mr. *Bennett*, Ms. *Sahota*, Messrs. *Cobb*, *Nettleton* and Ms. *MacPhail*.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS—Ms. *Kwan* (Convener), Messrs. *Kerr*, *Mayencourt*, *Sultan*, *Bloy*, *Penner*, Ms. *Orr*, Messrs. *Hamilton*, *Lekstrom*, Ms. *Chong* and Ms. *MacPhail*.

Hon. G. COLLINS, *Chair*

The Report was read and received.

By leave of the House, the Hon. *G. Collins* moved that the Report be adopted.

Motion agreed to.

Ms. *Kwan* presented a petition regarding a rating system for video/arcade games.

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 Advanced Education and Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection).

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

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION B)

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,053,791,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Health Services, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2003.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,109,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Health Services, Vital Statistics, to 31st March, 2003.

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 COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,900,016,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Advanced Education, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2003.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Advanced 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 Advanced Education) to be considered at the next sitting.

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

Bill (No. 7) intituled *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2002* was committed, reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

And then the House adjourned at 5.25 p.m.

Monday, April 8, 2002

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *R. Stewart*.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Order for “Private Members’ Statements” called.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. M 201) intituled *Fisheries Act Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

Ms. *Kwan* reserved her right to raise a matter of privilege.

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

Monday, April 8, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *K. Whittred* (Minister of State for Intermediate, Long Term and Home Care) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

FREDERICK A. MELVIN
Administrator

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 16) intituled *Community Care Facility Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Victoria Law Courts,
March 28, 2002

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. *S. Hagen* (Minister of Sustainable Resource Management) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 22) intituled *Sustainable Resource Management Statutes Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
April 3, 2002

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. Reid* (Minister of Transportation) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 25) intituled *Transportation Statutes Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
April 4, 2002

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 "Members' Statements."

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 Forests).

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 3) intituled *Taxation Statutes Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 3) read a second time.

On the motion that Bill (No. 3) be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting of the House after today, the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division.

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<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Masi</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Locke</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>	<i>Hunter</i>

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 4) intituled *Corporation Capital Tax Amendment Act, 2002*, 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. 20) intituled *Registry Statutes Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

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.

Bill (No. 8) intituled *Deregulation Statutes Amendment Act, 2002* 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 Finance and Ministry of Children and Family Development).

The Committee recessed until 6.35 p.m.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION B)

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$27,216,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Finance, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2003.

Section B of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$243,682,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Forests, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2003.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$101,092,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Forests, Fire Suppression, to 31st March, 2003.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$146,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Forests, Forest Investment, to 31st March, 2003.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Forests.

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 Forests) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 8.55 p.m.

Tuesday, April 9, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Ms. *Chong*.

The House observed a minute of silence in remembrance of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The Hon. *C. Richmond* (Speaker) tabled the Auditor General 2002/03 Report 1: Building a Strong Work Environment in British Columbia's Public Service: A Key to Delivering Quality Service.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

Bill (No. 3) intituled *Taxation Statutes Amendment Act, 2002*, was committed.

Section 4 of Bill (No. 3) passed, on division.

In consideration of section 25 of Bill (No. 3) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—61

Coell	Lee	R. Stewart	Wong
Hogg	Thorpe	Bell	Visser
L. Reid	Hagen	Chutter	Lekstrom
Halsey-Brandt	Collins	Mayencourt	MacKay
Hawkins	de Jong	Trumper	Cobb
Whittred	Nebbeling	Johnston	K. Stewart
Cheema	Stephens	Bennett	Bloy
Hansen	Abbott	Belsey	Suffredine
J. Reid	Coleman	Krueger	Brice
Bruce	Jarvis	McMahon	Hamilton
van Dongen	Anderson	Bray	Sahota
Barisoff	Orr	Les	Hawes
Nettleton	Harris	Locke	Kerr
Roddick	Nuraney	Nijjar	Manhas
Wilson	Brenzinger	Bhullar	Hunter
Masi			

NAYS—2

MacPhail	Kwan
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In consideration of section 37 of Bill (No. 3) the Committee divided.

Section 37 passed *nemine contradicente* on the following division:

YEAS—64

Coell	Masi	Brenzinger	Bhullar
Hogg	Lee	R. Stewart	Wong
L. Reid	Thorpe	Bell	Visser
Halsey-Brandt	Hagen	MacPhail	Lekstrom
Hawkins	Collins	Kwan	MacKay
Whittred	de Jong	Chutter	Cobb
Cheema	Nebbeling	Mayencourt	K. Stewart
Hansen	Stephens	Trumper	Bloy
J. Reid	Abbott	Johnston	Suffredine
Bruce	Coleman	Bennett	Brice
Santori	Chong	Belsey	Hamilton
van Dongen	Jarvis	Krueger	Sahota
Barisoff	Anderson	McMahon	Hawes
Nettleton	Orr	Bray	Kerr
Roddick	Harris	Les	Manhas
Wilson	Nuraney	Locke	Hunter

Bill (No. 3) was reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 4) intituled *Corporation Capital Tax Amendment Act, 2002*, was committed, reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 20) intituled *Registry Statutes Amendment Act, 2002*, 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.

Tuesday, April 9, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of Ms. *Kwan*, Bill (No. M 202) intituled *Pets in Rental Housing 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. *Kwan*, Bill (No. M 203) intituled *Public Sector Management Remuneration Allowances and Perquisites 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 "Member's Statements."

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 Children and Family Development).

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 22) intituled *Sustainable Resource Management Statutes Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 22) 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. 25) intituled *Transportation Statutes Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—61

<i>Coell</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Locke</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Masi</i>			

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MacPhail *Kwan*

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. 24) intituled *Criminal Injury Compensation Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—61

<i>Coell</i>	<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Locke</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Lee</i>			

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

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.

Bill (No. 6) intituled *Gaming Control Act* was committed, reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 18) intituled *Health Services Statutes Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

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. 19) intituled *Health Planning Statutes Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

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

The House recessed until 5.45 p.m.

(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 5.47 p.m.

Wednesday, April 10, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Krueger*.

The Hon. *R. Thorpe* (Minister of Competition, Science and Enterprise) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

LANCE FINCH
Administrator

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 29) intituled *Securities Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Victoria Law Courts,
April 8, 2002

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 "Member's Statements."

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

Ms. *Orr* presented a petition regarding the E & N Railway.

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.

Bill (No. 22) intituled *Sustainable Resource Management Statutes Amendment Act, 2002* was committed.

Section 9 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Bill (No. 22) was reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 25) intituled *Transportation Statutes Amendment Act, 2002* was committed.

In consideration of section 49 contained within section 6 of Bill (No. 25) the Committee divided, as follows:

YEAS—64

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Masi</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Campbell</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>	<i>Hunter</i>

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

Bill (No. 25) was reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 24) intituled *Criminal Injury Compensation Amendment Act, 2002* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 18) intituled *Health Services Statutes Amendment Act, 2002* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 19) intituled *Health Planning Statutes Amendment Act, 2002* was committed.

In consideration of section 21 of Bill (No. 19) the Committee divided, as follows:

YEAS—61

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Lee</i>			

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

Bill (No. 19) was reported complete without amendment, 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.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION B)

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,558,430,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Children and Family Development, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2003.

Section B of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Children and Family Development.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection.

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.

Thursday, April 11, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Ms. *Roddick*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection.

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, April 11, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *S. Bond* (Minister of Advanced Education) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 15) intituled *Degree Authorization Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 21, 2002

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. Murray* (Minister of Water, Land and Air Protection) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

LANCE FINCH
Administrator

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 31) intituled *Environment Management Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Vancouver Law Courts,
April 10, 2002

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 "Member's Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 29) intituled *Securities Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

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

Order for Committee of Supply called.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section B of Committee of Supply.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION B)

45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$131,149,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2003.

Section B of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Speaker declared a short recess.

Her 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 Acts:

Bill (No. 3) *Taxation Statutes Amendment Act, 2002*.

Bill (No. 4) *Corporation Capital Tax Amendment Act, 2002*.

Bill (No. 6) *Gaming Control Act*.

Bill (No. 7) *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2002*.

Bill (No. 8) *Deregulation Statutes Amendment Act, 2002*.

Bill (No. 18) *Health Services Statutes Amendment Act, 2002.*

Bill (No. 19) *Health Planning Statutes Amendment Act, 2002.*

Bill (No. 20) *Registry Statutes Amendment Act, 2002.*

Bill (No. 22) *Sustainable Resource Management Statutes Amendment Act, 2002.*

Bill (No. 24) *Criminal Injury Compensation Amendment Act, 2002.*

Bill (No. 25) *Transportation Statutes Amendment Act, 2002.*

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

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

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

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

And then the House adjourned at 5.37 p.m.

Monday, April 15, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Anderson*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for "Private Members' Statements" called.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. M 201) intituled *Fisheries Act Amendment Act, 2002.*

The debate continued.

Hon. *G. Collins* rose on a point of order stating that the Bill was out of order as it incurred a tax, a fee, a licence, and that it had not been recommended to the House by Message of the Lieutenant-Governor.

Ms. *Kwan* made representations.

The Speaker took the matter under advisement.

On the motion of Hon. *G. Collins* that the debate for second reading of Bill (No. M 201) be adjourned to the next sitting of the House, the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—59

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Masi</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Locke</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Wong</i>	

NAYS—2

MacPhail

Kwan

The debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

Monday, April 15, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *M. Coell* (Minister of Human Resources) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

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

Government House,
April 13, 2002

Bill introduced and read a first time.

On the motion that the Bill be *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today, the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—67

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Weisbeck</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Locke</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>	

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

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

The Hon. *M. Coell* (Minister of Human Resources) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 27) intituled *Employment and Assistance for Persons with Disabilities Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House
April 13, 2002

Bill introduced and read a first time.

On the motion that the Bill be *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today, the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—67

Falcon
Coell
Hogg
L. Reid
Halsey-Brandt
Hawkins
Whittred
Cheema
Hansen
J. Reid
van Dongen
Barisoff
Nettleton
Roddick
Wilson
Masi
Lee

Hagen
Murray
Collins
Clark
de Jong
Nebbeling
Stephens
Abbott
Neufeld
Coleman
Weisbeck
Chong
Penner
Jarvis
Anderson
Orr
Harris

Nuraney
Brenzinger
R. Stewart
Bell
Chutter
Long
Mayencourt
Johnston
Bennett
Belsey
Hayer
Christensen
McMahon
Bray
Les
Locke
Nijjar

Bhullar
Wong
Visser
Lekstrom
MacKay
K. Stewart
Bloy
Suffredine
Brice
Sultan
Hamilton
Sahota
Hawes
Kerr
Manhas
Hunter

NAYS—2

MacPhail

Kwan

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

The Hon. S. Hagen (Minister of Sustainable Resource Management) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 21) intituled *Agricultural Land Commission Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
April 3, 2002

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. Murray (Minister of Water, Land and Air Protection) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

LANCE FINCH
Administrator

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 32) intituled *Waste Management Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Vancouver Law Courts
April 10, 2002

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. Clark* (Minister of Education) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 34) intituled *School Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House
April 11, 2002

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 "Member's Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 31) intituled *Environment Management Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 17) intituled *Child, Family and Community Service Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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. 16) intituled *Community Care Facility Act*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Hon. *L. Reid*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 15) intituled *Degree Authorization Act*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.52 p.m.

Tuesday, April 16, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by the Hon. *J. Reid*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The Hon. *G. Collins* rose on a point of order and made representations relating to Bill (No. M 201) intituled *Fisheries Act Amendment Act, 2002*.

Ms. *MacPhail* made representations.

The Speaker stated that his ruling would be delivered based on long established precedents of the House.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 26) intituled *Employment and Assistance Act*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.57 a.m.

Tuesday, April 16, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *K. Falcon* (Minister of State for Deregulation) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

LANCE FINCH
Administrator

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 35) intituled *Deregulation Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Vancouver Law Courts,
April 16, 2002

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 "Member's Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 26) intituled *Employment and Assistance Act*.

The debate continued.

Ms. *Kwan* moved the following amendment—

That the motion for second reading for Bill (No. 26) intituled *Employment and Assistance Act*, be amended by deleting the word “now” and adding the words “on this day six months hence”.

The debate on the amendment continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.54 p.m.

Wednesday, April 17, 2002

TWO O’CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Les*.

The Hon. *G. Plant* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Treaty Negotiations) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 23) intituled *Interjurisdictional Support Orders Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
April 3, 2002

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. Plant* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Treaty Negotiations) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

LANCE FINCH
Administrator

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 30) intituled *Trustee Investment Statutes Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Vancouver Law Courts,
April 10, 2002

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. *R. Neufeld*, (Minister of Energy and Mines) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

LANCE FINCH
Administrator

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 36) intituled *Energy and Mines Statutes Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Vancouver Law Courts,
April 17, 2002

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 "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Speaker gave his reserved decision as follows:

Honourable Members:

On April 15, during the course of debate on second reading of Bill (No. M 201) intituled *Fisheries Act Amendment Act, 2002*, the Government House Leader rose on a point of order stating that in his view the bill was out of order on the grounds that the proposed section 13 (5) (a) "requires that a person pay a fee, to be prescribed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. Therefore, this bill is out of order."

Before dealing with the substance of this point of order, certain events occurred at the opening of the morning session on April 16, which bear comment. Firstly, the Government House Leader rose on a point of order which turned out to be a second submission on the issue raised on April 15, relating to Bill (No. M 201). The submission should not have been made nor heard. It has been a long-standing tradition in this House and in Commonwealth Parliaments that once a point of order has been made and appropriate replies heard and the Chair has reserved its decision, further representations by Members on the matter are inappropriate.

Having heard the Government House Leader, the Chair was obliged to listen to representations by the Leader of the Opposition. As it was inappropriate for the Government House Leader to make a further submission, it was equally inappropriate for the Leader of the Opposition to discuss what advice she had received from an Officer of this House. Furthermore, to imply that there was some nexus between an opinion expressed by an Officer of the House and the fresh submission made by the Government House Leader is not only inaccurate but improper.

To the extent that the Chair was in error in hearing these additional submissions from either side of the House, the Chair apologizes. I do note, however, that at the time the additional submissions were made the Chair observed that the points raised were well known, the matter was in hand and that the decision would be made on an impartial basis, relying on long established precedents of this House. Let me assure all Honourable Members that the decision on the original point of order as raised on April 15, has not been influenced in the slightest by these additional submissions which, apart from the comments I have made above, are being treated as a nullity.

When the status of a bill or a motion before the House is raised on a point of order, it is the Chair's duty to consider the points raised and, in addition, to examine the bill or motion in all its aspects and apply the appropriate parliamentary law. I ask the House to bear with me as this matter is one of some complexity.

A key Standing Order of this House affecting the propriety of bills and motions is Standing Order 67 which reads as follows:

"It shall not be lawful for the House to adopt or pass any vote, resolution, address, or Bill for the appropriation of any part of the public revenue, or of any tax or impost, to any purpose that has not been first recommended to the House by Message of the Lieutenant-Governor in the Session in which such vote, resolution, address or Bill is proposed. (*Vide R.S.B.C. 1960, chap. 71, sec. 52 (Constitution Act).*)"

I should add that the wording of this Standing Order is virtually repeated in section 47 of the *Constitution Act* of British Columbia.

On examination of the questioned bill, the proposed amendment to section 13 of the Act has two paragraphs, paragraph (a) which repeats verbatim section 13 (5) of the existing Act and paragraph (b) which presents a novel proposition which I quote:

"(b) A licence shall not be issued or re-issued under this part for the purpose of finfish aquaculture unless that operation is a closed containment facility."

The key question for the Chair to consider is whether or not the proposed section 13 (5) (b) as quoted above amounts to an impost and, in the absence of a Message, is out of order by virtue of the provisions of Standing Order 67.

In this regard, the Chair has found considerable assistance in the decision of Mr. Speaker Whittaker reported in the *Journals* of this House on November 29, 1939, page 77. In that case, Speaker Whittaker was required to make a determination as to whether a bill before the House requiring provincial mines to provide certain accommodation to employees was in order. The learned Speaker examined in considerable detail the distinction between "impost" and "tax" as contemplated by Standing Order 67 and concluded that the requirement to provide accommodation under the proposed bill "would undoubtedly involve a charge upon a section of the people." The view as stated by Speaker Whittaker was adopted by later decisions of the House including a decision by Speaker Irwin reported in the *Journals* of the House, October 17, 1953, at page 72, and a further decision by Speaker Hartley reported in the *Journals* of this House on April 3, 2001, at page 42. I note that Standing Order 67 in 1939 is identical in wording as Standing Order 67 today.

In the result the Chair has had to resolve two questions:

1. Is the Chair obligated to examine the bill as a whole, notwithstanding that the point of order raised does not identify with exactitude the potential flaw in the bill?
2. Does the proposed subsection (b) of the bill create an impost as contemplated by Standing Order 67?

Conventions relating to the duty of a Presiding Officer and precedents of this House produced an answer in the affirmative to both questions.

The practical effect of enacting subsection (b) as proposed would be to require those engaged in finfish aquaculture to convert to a closed containment facility. The result would, to quote the words of Speaker Whittaker, "involve a charge upon a section of the people" and, therefore, the bill is out of order in the hands of a Private Member, and I so rule.

CLAUDE RICHMOND, *Speaker*

The Hon. J. Murray (Minister of Water, Land and Air Protection) tabled the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks Annual Report 2001 for Fiscal Years 1999/2000 and 2000/2001.

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.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 26) intituled *Employment and Assistance Act*.

The amendment was negated on the following division:

YEAS—2

MacPhail

Kwan

NAYS—64

Falcon

Thorpe

Nuraney

Nijjar

Coell

Hagen

Brenzinger

Bhullar

Hogg

Murray

R. Stewart

Wong

L. Reid

Plant

Bell

Lekstrom

Halsey-Brandt

Clark

Chutter

MacKay

Hawkins

Bond

Long

Cobb

Whittred

Abbott

Mayencourt

Bloy

Cheema

Neufeld

Johnston

Suffredine

Hansen

Coleman

Belsey

Brice

J. Reid

Weisbeck

Hayer

Sultan

Santori

Chong

Christensen

Hamilton

van Dongen

Penner

Krueger

Sahota

Barisoff

Jarvis

McMahon

Hawes

Nettleton

Anderson

Bray

Kerr

Wilson

Orr

Les

Manhas

Lee

Harris

Locke

Hunter

The debate was resumed on the main motion.

Ms. MacPhail moved the following amendment—

That the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 26) intituled *Employment and Assistance Act*, be amended by striking out the words after “*that*” and inserting “*This House declines to give second reading to Bill (No. 26), intituled the Employment and Assistance Act for the reason that the Bill, in principle, puts at risk the lives of those who have no other means of support or assistance.*”

The debate on the amendment continued.

On the motion of Ms. Kwan, the debate on the amendment was adjourned until later today.

The House recessed until 6.30 p.m.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 26) intituled *Employment and Assistance Act*.

The amendment was negated on the following division:

YEAS—2

MacPhail

Kwan

NAYS—60

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Weisbeck</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Locke</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>	<i>Hunter</i>

By leave, the Hon. *R. Thorpe* (Minister of Competition, Science and Enterprise) tabled the Job Protection Commission Annual Report 2000.

The debate was resumed on the main motion.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—59

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Weisbeck</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Locke</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>	

NAYS—3

<i>MacPhail</i>	<i>Kwan</i>	<i>Anderson</i>
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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.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 27) intituled *Employment and Assistance for Persons with Disabilities Act*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

Ms. *MacPhail* moved the following amendment—

That the motion for second reading for Bill (No. 27) intituled *Employment and Assistance for Persons with Disabilities Act*, be amended by deleting the word “now” and adding the words “on this day six months hence.”

The debate on the amendment continued.

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

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$415,061,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Attorney General, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2003.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$51,193,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Attorney General, Treaty Negotiations Office, to 31st March, 2003.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Attorney General, Statutory Services, to 31st March, 2003.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,360,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Attorney General, Judiciary, to 31st March, 2003.

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$39,332,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, Legislation, to 31st March, 2003.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,364,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Auditor General, to 31st March, 2003.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$292,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Conflict of Interest Commissioner, to 31st March, 2003.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,589,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Elections BC, to 31st March, 2003.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,130,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Information and Privacy Commissioner, to 31st March, 2003.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,491,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Office of the Child, Youth and Family Advocate, to 31st March, 2003.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,549,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Ombudsman, to 31st March, 2003.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,101,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Police Complaint Commissioner, to 31st March, 2003.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$920,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Management of Public Funds and Debt, Management of Public Funds and Debt, to 31st March, 2003.

47. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$91,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of BC Family Bonus, BC Family Bonus, to 31st March, 2003.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$230,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Government Restructuring (All Ministries), Government Restructuring (All Ministries), to 31st March, 2003.

49. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$210,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Contingencies (All Ministries) and New Programs, to 31st March, 2003.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Commissions on Collection of Public Funds and Allowances for Doubtful Revenue Accounts, to 31st March, 2003.

52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,967,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Environmental Boards and Forest Appeals Commission, to 31st March, 2003.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,822,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Forest Practices Board, to 31st March, 2003.

54. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,939,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Public Sector Employers' Council, to 31st March, 2003.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Seismic Mitigation, to 31st March, 2003.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Attorney General and Ministry Responsible for Treaty Negotiations; Legislation; Officers of the Legislature, and Other Appropriations.

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 Attorney General and Ministry Responsible for Treaty Negotiations; Legislation; Officers of the Legislature, and Other Appropriations) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 8.56 p.m.

Thursday, April 18, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

The Speaker made a statement regarding the Canadian soldiers killed and injured in Afghanistan.

Prayers by the Hon. *L. Stephens*.

The Hon. *C. Clark* (Deputy Premier) made a statement.

Ms. *MacPhail* made a statement.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 27) intituled *Employment and Assistance for Persons with Disabilities Act*.

The debate on the amendment continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.53 a.m.

Thursday, April 18, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 27) intituled *Employment and Assistance for Persons with Disabilities Act*.

The debate on the amendment continued.

The amendment was negived on the following division:

YEAS—2

MacPhail

Kwan

NAYS—52

Falcon

Masi

Orr

Les

Coell

Lee

Brenzinger

Locke

Hogg

Hagen

Bell

Nijjar

L. Reid

Murray

Chutter

Bhullar

Halsey-Brandt

Plant

Long

Wong

Hawkins

Clark

Mayencourt

Visser

Whittred

Bond

Trumper

Cobb

Hansen

de Jong

Johnston

Brice

J. Reid

Stephens

Belsey

Sultan

Bruce

Weisbeck

Christensen

Hamilton

van Dongen

Chong

Krueger

Kerr

Nettleton

Penner

McMahon

Manhas

Roddick

Anderson

Bray

Hunter

The debate was resumed on the main motion.

The debate continued.

Ms. *Kwan* moved the following amendment—

That the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 27) intituled *Employment and Assistance for Persons with Disabilities Act*, be amended by striking out the words after "*that*" and inserting "*This House declines to give second reading to Bill (No. 27) intituled Employment and Assistance for Persons with Disabilities Act for the reason that the Bill, in principle, puts at risk the lives of people with disabilities who have no other means of support or assistance.*"

The debate on the amendment continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.54 p.m.

Monday, April 29, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Bloy*.

The Hon. *C. Richmond* (Speaker) tabled the following:

Ombudsman Public Report No. 43 — Righting the Wrong: A Progress Report, and
Elections BC Annual Report 2001.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Order for “Private Members’ Statements” called.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. M 202) intituled *Pets in Rental Housing Act*, a debate arose.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.58 a.m.

Monday, April 29, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

The Hon. *G. Collins* moved—

That the reports of resolutions from the Committees of Supply on March 6, 7, 11, 25, 27 and April 2, 3, 4, 8, 10, 11 and 17, be now received, taken as read and agreed to.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *G. Collins* moved—

That there be granted from and out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the sum of 25 billion, 197 million, 517 thousand dollars. This sum includes that authorized to be paid under section 1 of the *Supply Act (No. 1)*, 2002 and is granted to Her Majesty towards defraying the charges and expenses of the public service of the province for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2003.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *G. Collins* moved—

That there be granted from and out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the sum of 1 billion, 403 million, 4 thousand dollars. This sum includes that authorized to be paid under section 2 of the *Supply Act (No. 1), 2002* and is granted to Her Majesty towards defraying the capital, loans, investments and other financing requirements of the province for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2003.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *G. Collins* (Minister of Finance) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 33) intituled *Supply Act, 2002-2003* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
April 26, 2002

Bill introduced and read a first time.

The Speaker declared a short recess for distribution of the Bill.

Bill permitted to be advanced all stages this day.

Bill (No. 33) was read a second time.

On the motion of the Hon. *G. Collins*, Bill (No. 33) was referred to Committee of the Whole House to be considered forthwith.

Bill (No. 33) intituled *Supply Act, 2002-2003* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 11) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

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.

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

The debate continued.

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 amendment to the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 27) intituled *Employment and Assistance for Persons with Disabilities Act*.

The debate continued.

The House recessed until 6.35 p.m.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:

YEAS—2

MacPhail

Kwan

NAYS—54

Coell

Hogg

Halsey-Brandt

Hawkins

Whittred

Hansen

J. Reid

Bruce

Santori

van Dongen

Barisoff

Nettleton

Roddick

Masi

Lee

Hagen

Murray

Bond

Stephens

Abbott

Neufeld

Coleman

Penner

Anderson

Harris

Nuraney

Brenzinger

Bell

Long

Mayencourt

Trumper

Johnston

Bennett

Belsey

Hayer

Christensen

Krueger

McMahon

Bray

Les

Locke

Nijjar

Wong

Lekstrom

MacKay

K. Stewart

Brice

Sultan

Hamilton

Sahota

Hawes

Kerr

Manhas

Hunter

The debate was resumed on the main motion.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—52

Coell

Hogg

Halsey-Brandt

Hawkins

Whittred

Hansen

J. Reid

Bruce

Santori

van Dongen

Barisoff

Nettleton

Roddick

Masi

Lee

Hagen

Murray

Bond

Stephens

Abbott

Neufeld

Coleman

Penner

Nuraney

Brenzinger

Bell

Long

Mayencourt

Trumper

Johnston

Bennett

Belsey

Hayer

Christensen

Krueger

McMahon

Bray

Les

Locke

Nijjar

Wong

Lekstrom

MacKay

K. Stewart

Brice

Sultan

Hamilton

Sahota

Hawes

Kerr

Manhas

Hunter

NAYS—3

Anderson

MacPhail

Kwan

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.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 15) intituled *Degree Authorization Act*.

The debate continued.

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.

And then the House adjourned at 8.57 p.m.

Tuesday, April 30, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Manhas*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 11) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2002* was committed.

In consideration of section 1 of Bill (No. 11) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—63

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Masi</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Les</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Bray</i>	

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

Section 5, as amended, of Bill (No. 11) passed, on division.

In consideration of section 6 of Bill (No. 11) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—64

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Masi</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Bray</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Les</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Hunter</i>

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

Bill (No. 11) was reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 17) intituled *Child, Family and Community Service Amendment Act, 2002* was committed.

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 11.59 a.m.

Tuesday, April 30, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of Mr. *Christensen*, Bill (No. Pr 401) intituled *Spring Enterprises Inc. (Corporate Restoration) Act, 2002* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* referred to the Select Standing Committee on Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *G. Collins* (Minister of Finance) tabled the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia Annual Report, 2001.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 17) intituled *Child, Family and Community Service Amendment Act, 2002*, was again committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 21) intituled *Agricultural Land Commission Act*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

Bill (No. 21) 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. 34) intituled *School Amendment Act, 2002* was committed.

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

The Speaker declared a short recess.

Her 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 Acts:

Bill (No. 11) *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2002*.

Bill (No. 17) *Child, Family and Community Service Amendment Act, 2002*.

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

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

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

E. George MacMinn, Q.C., Clerk of the House, read the title to the following Act:

Bill (No. 33) *Supply Act, 2002-2003*.

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

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

"In Her Majesty's name, Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor doth thank Her Majesty's loyal subjects, accepts their benevolence, and assents to this Act."

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

And then the House adjourned at 5.55 p.m.

Wednesday, May 1, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Nuraney*.

The Hon. *C. Hansen* (Minister of Health Services) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

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

Government House,
April 23, 2002

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. Plant* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Treaty Negotiations) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 45) intituled *Legal Services Society Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
April 23, 2002

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 "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

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

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 23) intituled *Interjurisdictional Support Orders Act*, a debate arose.

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. 10) intituled *McLeod Lake Indian Band Treaty No. 8 Adhesion and Settlement Agreement Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 10) 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 *Trustee Investment Statutes Amendment Act, 2002*, 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. 34) intituled *School Amendment Act, 2002* was again committed.

In consideration of section 8.1 contained within section 6 of Bill (No. 34) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—50

Falcon
Coell
Hogg
L. Reid
Halsey-Brandt
Whittred
Cheema
Hansen
J. Reid
Bruce
Santori
van Dongen
Nettleton

Lee
Murray
Plant
Clark
Bond
Stephens
Abbott
Weisbeck
Chong
Penner
Jarvis
Anderson
Orr

Nuraney
Brenzinger
R. Stewart
Long
Johnston
Bennett
Hayer
Christensen
Krueger
McMahon
Bray
Locke

Nijjar
Bhullar
Wong
Visser
K. Stewart
Bloy
Suffredine
Brice
Sultan
Sahota
Hawes
Hunter

NAYS—2

MacPhail

Kwan

The Committee recessed until 6:30 p.m.

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 35) intituled *Deregulation Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2002*, a debate arose.

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. 32) intituled *Waste Management Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

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.

Bill (No. 31) intituled *Environment Management Amendment Act, 2002* was committed, reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 15) intituled *Degree Authorization Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

And then the House adjourned at 8.06 p.m.

Thursday, May 2, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Anderson*.

Ms. *Kwan* reserved her right to raise a matter of privilege.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 36) intituled *Energy and Mines Statutes Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 36) 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 *Legal Services Society Act*, a debate arose.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.53 a.m.

Thursday, May 2, 2002

TWO O’CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *M. de Jong* (Minister of Forests) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 40) intituled *Forests Statutes Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
April 30, 2002

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 “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

Ms. *MacPhail* rose on a point of order relating to Caucus committees.

The Hon. *G. Collins* made representations.

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

The Hon. *G. Bruce* (Minister of Skills Development and Labour) tabled the Workers’ Compensation Board Annual Report, 2001.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 45) intituled *Legal Services Society Act*.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—42

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Locke</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Wong</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Anderson</i>		

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

Bill (No. 23) intituled *Interjurisdictional Support Orders Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

15 The Hon. *G. Plant* moved—

That the Legislative Assembly accept a supplementary report to the 2001 Judicial Compensation Committee report and recommendations. The 2001 Judicial Compensation Committee report and recommendations were laid before this Assembly on August 2, 2001, pursuant to section 13 (12) of the *Provincial Court Act*. The supplementary report has been prepared, signed and submitted to the Attorney General by the chair of the 2001 Judicial Compensation Committee, on behalf of the Committee.

That this supplementary report will correct an oversight of the 2001 Judicial Compensation Committee in preserving the pay differentials between Chief Judge, Associate Chief Judges and the other Provincial Court Judges.

Motion agreed to.

By leave, the Hon. *G. Plant* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Treaty Negotiations) tabled the Supplementary Recommendation of the 2001 Judicial Compensation Committee.

Bill (No. 10) intituled *McLeod Lake Indian Band Treaty No. 8 Adhesion and Settlement Agreement Amendment Act, 2002* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 30) intituled *Trustee Investment Statutes Amendment Act, 2002* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 29) intituled *Securities Amendment Act, 2002* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 37) intituled *Food Safety Act*, a debate arose.

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.

And then the House adjourned at 3.53 p.m.

Monday, May 6, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Bloy*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for "Private Members' Statements" called.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. M 202) intituled *Pets in Rental Housing Act*.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

Monday, May 6, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *G. Plant* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Treaty Negotiations) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 43) intituled *Office for Children and Youth Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
May 3, 2002

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 "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *J. Murray* (Minister of Water, Land and Air Protection) presented the Creston Valley Wildlife Management Area Annual Report, 2001.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Bill (No. 45) intituled *Legal Services Society Act* was committed.

In consideration of section 4 of Bill (No. 45) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—61

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Locke</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Wong</i>	<i>Hunter</i>

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

In consideration of section 9 of Bill (No. 45) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—61

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Locke</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Wong</i>	<i>Hunter</i>

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

In consideration of section 10 of Bill (No. 45) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—55

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Locke</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Wong</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Murray</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Visser</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Plant</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>	

NAYS—2

<i>MacPhail</i>	<i>Kwan</i>
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In consideration of section 11 of Bill (No. 45) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—57

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Locke</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Wong</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Murray</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Visser</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Plant</i>			

NAYS—2

<i>MacPhail</i>	<i>Kwan</i>
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In consideration of section 13 of Bill (No. 45) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—55

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Locke</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Wong</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Murray</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Visser</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Plant</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>	

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

Sections 14 and 15 of Bill (No. 45) passed, on division.

In consideration of section 18 of Bill (No. 45) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—53

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Locke</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Wong</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Murray</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Visser</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Collins</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Clark</i>			

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

Section 21 as amended of Bill (No. 45) passed, on division.

Bill (No. 45) was reported complete with amendment.

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

Bill (No. 32) intituled *Waste Management Amendment Act* was committed.

In consideration of section 7 as amended of Bill (No. 32) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—55

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Locke</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Murray</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Wong</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Collins</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Visser</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Clark</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>	

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

Bill (No. 32) was reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

The House recessed until 6.35 p.m.

Bill (No. 26) intituled *Employment and Assistance Act* was committed.

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 8.58 p.m.

Tuesday, May 7, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by the Hon. *S. Bond*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 34) intituled *School Amendment Act, 2002* was again committed.

Sections 22 and 23 of Bill (No. 34) passed, 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 11.58 a.m.

Tuesday, May 7, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *M. de Jong* (Minister of Forests) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 39) intituled *Protected Areas Forests Compensation Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
May 3, 2002

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. *M. de Jong* (Minister of Forests) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 41) intituled *Forest (First Nations Development) Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
May 3, 2002

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 "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows:

Honourable Members:

On May 2nd, the Leader of the Opposition rose on a point of order relating to "privileges of Members and reports of committees funded out of the Legislative Assembly budget." She later specifically stated that she was raising a point of order not a point of privilege.

The gist of the Member's question was whether the stipend paid pursuant to section 8 of the *Legislative Allowances and Pensions Act*, to the Chairman of the Government Caucus Offshore Oil and Gas Committee made the Committee subject to parliamentary privileges insofar as that funding comes out of the Vote 1 general budget rather than the Liberal Caucus global budget.

Select Standing and Special Committees are a subsidiary component of the Legislative Assembly. They are formed of Members from all parties, chosen by the Committee of Selection, instructed by order of the House and report to the House in accordance with those instructions. Both Parliamentary

law and the *Legislative Assembly Privilege Act* apply to Legislative Committees. On the other hand, Caucus Committees are formed by a party caucus from its members and are subject only to its control. They have no official status in the House, do not report to the House and play a role only within the party caucus.

The payment of a stipend to the Chairman of a Caucus Committee pursuant to section 8 of the *Legislative Allowances and Pensions Act* does not transform that committee into a House committee comparable to a Select Standing or Special Committee.

Therefore, the short answer to the question raised by the Leader of the Opposition is in the negative.

CLAUDE RICHMOND, *Speaker*

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 34) intituled *School Amendment Act, 2002* was again committed.

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 36) intituled *Energy and Mines Statutes Amendment Act, 2002* was committed, reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

And then the House adjourned at 5.52 p.m.

Wednesday, May 8, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Christensen*.

The Hon. *G. Plant* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Treaty Negotiations) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 46) intituled *Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
May 6, 2002

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. Collins* (Minister of Finance) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

LANCE FINCH
Administrator

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 47) intituled *Business Corporations Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Vancouver Law Courts,
May 6, 2002

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 "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 39) intituled *Protected Areas Forests Compensation Act*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 39) 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. 40) intituled *Forests Statutes Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

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.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 41) intituled *Forest (First Nations Development) Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 41) 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. 35) intituled *Deregulation Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2002* was committed, reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 37) intituled *Food Safety Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 27) intituled *Employment and Assistance for Persons with Disabilities Act*, was committed.

The Committee recessed until 6.35 p.m.

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 9.00 p.m.

Thursday, May 9, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by the Hon. *S. Santori*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 43) intituled *Office for Children and Youth Act*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division.

YEAS—52

Falcon
Coell
Hogg
Halsey-Brandt
Hawkins
Whittred
Cheema
Hansen
J. Reid
Bruce
Santori
van Dongen
Barisoff

Masi
Lee
Thorpe
Hagen
Murray
Plant
Collins
Stephens
Neufeld
Coleman
Weisbeck
Anderson
Orr

Nuraney
Brenzinger
R. Stewart
Chutter
Long
Mayencourt
Johnston
Bennett
Christensen
Krueger
Bray
Nijjar
Wong

Visser
Lekstrom
Cobb
K. Stewart
Bloy
Suffredine
Brice
Sultan
Hamilton
Sahota
Hawes
Kerr
Manhas

NAYS—2

MacPhail

Kwan

Bill (No. 43) 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. 46) intituled *Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act, 2002*, 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. 27) intituled *Employment and Assistance for Persons with Disabilities Act* was again committed.

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

The Hon. *K. Whittred* (Minister of State for Intermediate, Long Term and Home Care) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 44) intituled *Health Care (Consent) and Care Facility (Admission) Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
April 30, 2002

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.

And then the House adjourned at 12.02 p.m.

Thursday, May 9, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *S. Hagen* (Minister of Sustainable Resource Management) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 38) intituled *Environmental Assessment Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
April 30, 2002

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. Collins* (Minister of Finance), on behalf of the Hon. *S. Bond* (Minister of Advanced Education), presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 50) intituled *Advanced Education Statutes Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
May 8, 2002

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. *R. Coleman* (Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 51) intituled *Public Safety and Solicitor General Statutes Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
May 8, 2002

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. *Bennett*, Bill (No. M 204) intituled *The Hunting and Fishing Heritage 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 “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Bill (No. 27) intituled *Employment and Assistance for Persons with Disabilities Act* was again committed.

Ms. *Kwan* moved an amendment to section 2 of Bill (No. 27) which was defeated on the following division:

YEAS—2

MacPhail

Kwan

NAYS—47

Falcon

Coell

Hogg

Halsey-Brandt

Hawkins

Hansen

J. Reid

Bruce

Santori

van Dongen

Barisoff

Masi

Lee

Thorpe

Hagen

Murray

Plant

Collins

Nebbeling

Stephens

Neufeld

Coleman

Chong

Jarvis

Anderson

Orr

Nuraney

Brenzinger

Chutter

Long

Bennett

Hayer

Krueger

Bray

Nijjar

Wong

Visser

Cobb

K. Stewart

Bloy

Brice

Sultan

Hamilton

Sahota

Hawes

Kerr

Manhas

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

Bill to be considered later today.

Bill (No. 45) intituled *Legal Services Society Act* was read a third time.

The Speaker declared a short recess.

Her 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 title to the following Acts:

Bill (No. 10) *McLeod Lake Indian Band Treaty No. 8 Adhesion and Settlement Agreement Amendment Act, 2002.*

Bill (No. 15) *Degree Authorization Act.*

Bill (No. 23) *Interjurisdictional Support Orders Act.*

Bill (No. 29) *Securities Amendment Act, 2002.*

Bill (No. 30) *Trustee Investment Statutes Amendment Act, 2002.*

Bill (No. 31) *Environment Management Amendment Act, 2002.*

Bill (No. 32) *Waste Management Amendment Act, 2002.*

Bill (No. 35) *Deregulation Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2002.*

Bill (No. 36) *Energy and Mines Statutes Amendment Act, 2002.*

Bill (No. 37) *Food Safety Act.*

Bill (No. 45) *Legal Services Society Act.*

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

The said assent was announced by *Ian D. Izard, Esq.*, Law Clerk and Clerk Assistant, in the following words:

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

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

Bill (No. 27) intituled *Employment and Assistance for Persons with Disabilities Act* was again committed.

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 5.52 p.m.

Monday, May 13, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by the Hon. *J. van Dongen*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for “Private Members’ Statements” called.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. M 202) intituled *Pets in Rental Housing Act*.

The Hon. *R. Coleman* (Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General) moved the following amendment—

That the motion for second reading of Bill (No. M 202) intituled *Pets in Rental Housing Act* be amended by striking out the words after “that” and inserting “This House declines to give second reading to Bill (No. M 202) intituled *Pets in Rental Housing Act* for the reason that the government will be introducing a modernized *Residential Tenancy Act*.”

The amendment was passed.

Bill (No. M 202) *Ordered* to be dropped.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. M 203) intituled *Public Sector Management Remuneration Allowances and Perquisites Act*, a debate arose.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.56 a.m.

Monday, May 13, 2002

TWO O’CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *G. Bruce* (Minister of Skills Development and Labour) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 42) intituled *Labour Relations Code Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
April 30, 2002.

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. Bruce* (Minister of Skills Development and Labour) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 48) intituled *Employment Standards Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
May 9, 2002.

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. Bruce* (Minister of Skills Development and Labour) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 49) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
May 9, 2002.

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 "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

By leave, Ms. *Kwan* tabled the following documents:

Draft letter to the Vancouver Coastal Health Authority.

Map of grizzly bear hunting seasons from the Government website.

The Hon. *G. Plant* (Attorney General) tabled the 2002 Report of the Judicial Justice Compensation Committee and referred Members to the provisions of section 32.1 (11) of the *Provincial Court Act* and the procedure established therein.

The Hon. *S. Hagen* (Minister of Sustainable Resource Management) tabled the BC Assessment Authority Annual Performance Report for the Year 2000.

The Hon. *G. Abbott* (Minister of Community, Aboriginal and Women's Services) tabled the First Peoples' Heritage, Language & Culture Council Annual Report, 2000-2001.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 39) intituled *Protected Areas Forests Compensation Act* was committed, reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 40) intituled *Forests Statutes Amendment Act, 2002* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 41) intituled *Forest (First Nations Development) Amendment Act, 2002* was committed, reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 50) intituled *Advanced Education Statutes Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

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. 51) intituled *Public Safety and Solicitor General Statutes Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

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.

Bill (No. 34) intituled *School Amendment Act, 2002* was again committed.

In consideration of section 36 of Bill (No. 34) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—60

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Bray</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Les</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Locke</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Hunter</i>

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

Section 79 of Bill (No. 34) passed, on division.

In consideration of section 83 of Bill (No. 34) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—58

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Les</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Locke</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Campbell</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>		

NAYS—2

MacPhail

Kwan

Section 84 of Bill (No. 34) passed, on division.

Bill (No. 34) was reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

The House recessed until 6.30 p.m.

Bill (No. 27) intituled *Employment and Assistance for Persons with Disabilities Act* was again committed.

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 8.56 p.m.

Tuesday, May 14, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Cobb.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 51) intituled *Public Safety and Solicitor General Statutes Amendment Act, 2002* was committed.

In consideration of section 23 of Bill (No. 51) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—59

Falcon

Coell

Hogg

L. Reid

Halsey-Brandt

Whittred

Cheema

Hansen

J. Reid

Bruce

Santori

Nettleton

Roddick

Masi

Lee

Thorpe

Hagen

Plant

Clark

Bond

de Jong

Nebbeling

Stephens

Abbott

Neufeld

Coleman

Chong

Penner

Jarvis

Anderson

Orr

Harris

Nuraney

Brenzinger

R. Stewart

Bell

Chutter

Long

Trumper

Johnston

Hayer

Christensen

Krueger

McMahon

Les

Locke

Nijjar

Wong

Lekstrom

MacKay

Cobb

K. Stewart

Bloy

Suffredine

Sultan

Hawes

Kerr

Manhas

Hunter

NAYS—2

MacPhail

Kwan

Section 36 of Bill (No. 51) passed, on division.

In consideration of sections 39 through 57 of Bill (No. 51) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—58

<i>Coell</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Locke</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Orr</i>		

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

Bill (No. 51) was reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 21) intituled *Agricultural Land Commission Act* was committed.

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 11.58 a.m.

Tuesday, May 14, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *R. Thorpe* (Minister of Competition, Science and Enterprise) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

LANCE FINCH
Administrator

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 28) intituled *Employee Investment Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Victoria Law Courts,
April 8, 2002.

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. *R. Coleman* (Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 52) intituled *Motor Vehicle Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
May 10, 2002.

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. *Suffredine*, Bill (No. M 205) intituled *Forest Work Security Interest 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 “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

The Hon. *R. Thorpe* (Minister of Competition, Science and Enterprise) made a ministerial statement relating to the *Employee Investment Act*.

Ms. *MacPhail* reserved her right to respond to the ministerial statement.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Bill (No. 21) intituled *Agricultural Land Commission Act* was again committed.

Sections 64 through 90 of Bill (No. 21) passed, on division.

Bill (No. 21) was reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 50) intituled *Advanced Education Statutes Amendment Act, 2002* was committed.

In consideration of section 15 of Bill (No. 50) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—57

Coell
L. Reid
Halsey-Brandt
Whittred
Cheema
Hansen
J. Reid
Bruce
Santori
Barisoff
Nettleton
Roddick
Masi
Lee
Thorpe

Hagen
Murray
Plant
Collins
Clark
Bond
de Jong
Stephens
Abbott
Coleman
Weisbeck
Penner
Jarvis
Anderson

Orr
Harris
Nuraney
R. Stewart
Bell
Chutter
Trumper
Johnston
Bennett
Christensen
Krueger
McMahon
Les
Locke

Nijjar
Wong
Lekstrom
MacKay
Cobb
K. Stewart
Bloy
Suffredine
Sultan
Hamilton
Hawes
Kerr
Manhas
Hunter

NAYS—2

*MacPhail**Kwan*

Bill (No. 50) was reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 44) intituled *Health Care (Consent) and Care Facility (Admission) Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

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. 38) intituled *Environmental Assessment Act*, a debate arose.

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

By leave, the Hon. *R. Coleman* moved—

That the proceedings relating to third reading of Bill (No. 21) intituled *Agricultural Land Commission Act* and Bill (No. 51) intituled *Public Safety and Solicitor General Statutes Amendment Act, 2002*, be declared null and void and that the said Bills be re-committed forthwith with respect to sections 91 and 58 respectively.

Motion agreed to.

Bill (No. 21) intituled *Agricultural Land Commission Act* was re-committed.

Bill (No. 21) was reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 51) intituled *Public Safety and Solicitor General Statutes Amendment Act, 2002* was re-committed.

Bill (No. 51) was reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

And then the House adjourned at 5.58 p.m.

Wednesday, May 15, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Bray*.

The Hon. *G. Plant* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Treaty Negotiations) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 54) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
May 15, 2002.*

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 "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. *Penner* presented a Report of the Select Standing Committee on Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:

REPORT

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
May 15, 2002

HONOURABLE SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills begs leave to report as follows:

That the preamble to Bill (No. Pr 401) intituled *Spring Enterprises Inc. (Corporate Restoration) Act, 2002* has been proved, and the Committee recommends that the Bill proceed to Second Reading.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

B. PENNER, *Chair*

The Report was read and received.

By leave of the House, Mr. *Penner* moved that the Report be adopted.

Motion agreed to.

Pursuant to Standing Order 110 (2), Bill (No. Pr 401) to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

The Hon. *C. Richmond* (Speaker) tabled the Ombudsman Annual Report, 2001.

The Hon. *G. Collins* made a statement relating to the business of the House for the balance of the legislative session.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 38) intituled *Environmental Assessment Act*.

The debate continued.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—60

<i>Coell</i>	<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Les</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Locke</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Campbell</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Hunter</i>

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

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.

Bill (No. 46) intituled *Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act, 2002* was committed, reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 43) intituled *Office for Children and Youth Act* was committed.

Section 2, as amended, of Bill (No. 43) passed, on division.

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

The Committee recessed until 6.35 p.m.

Bill (No. 43) was reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 44) intituled *Health Care (Consent) and Care Facility (Admission) Amendment Act, 2002* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 42) intituled *Labour Relations Code Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 8.58 p.m.

Thursday, May 16, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Nijjar*.

On the motion of Mr. *Sultan*, Bill (No. Pr 402) intituled *Sea to Sky University Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* referred to the Select Standing Committee on Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 54) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2002*, a debate arose.

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.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 52) intituled *Motor Vehicle Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 52) 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. 28) intituled *Employee Investment Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

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 Hon. *G. Plant* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Treaty Negotiations) advised the Speaker that pursuant to section 10 (1) of the *Members' Conflict of Interest Act*, he would withdraw from the debate on Bill (No. 28).

And then the House adjourned at 12.02 p.m.

Thursday, May 16, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *G. Plant* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Treaty Negotiations) tabled the BC Human Rights Commission Annual Report, 2001/02.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. Pr 401) intituled *Spring Enterprises Inc. (Corporate Restoration) Act, 2002*, was read a second time, and by leave, committed, reported complete without 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. 42) intituled *Labour Relations Code Amendment Act, 2002*.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—40

<i>Coell</i>	<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Bray</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Masi</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Manhas</i>

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

Bill (No. 42) read a second time and *Ordered* for committal at the next sitting of the House after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 49) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.56 p.m.

Monday, May 27, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Bloy*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for "Private Members' Statements" called.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. M 203) intituled *Public Sector Management Remuneration Allowances and Perquisites Act*.

The Hon. *G. Collins* moved the following amendment—

That the motion for second reading of Bill (No. M 203) intituled *Public Management Remuneration Allowances and Perquisites Act*, be amended by deleting the word “now” and substituting “six months hence”.

Pursuant to the Sessional Order of February 13, 2002, division on the amendment to the motion for second reading of Bill (No. M 203) was deferred to later today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. M 204) intituled *The Hunting and Fishing Heritage Act*, a debate arose.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

Monday, May 27, 2002

TWO O’CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *M. de Jong* (Minister of Forests) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

LANCE FINCH
Administrator

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 58) intituled *Carrier Lumber Ltd. Forest Licence Compensation Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Vancouver Law Courts,
May 24, 2002

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 “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

The Hon. *C. Richmond* (Speaker) advised the House that he had received and accepted a letter of resignation from the Police Complaint Commissioner.

The Hon. *C. Richmond* (Speaker) tabled the Office of the Merit Commissioner Annual Report, 2001/2002.

The Hon. *S. Bond* (Minister of Advanced Education) tabled the following:

Private Post-Secondary Education Commission of British Columbia Annual Report, 2000/01; and
British Columbia Centre for International Education Annual Report, 2000-2001.

The Hon. *S. Hagen* (Minister of Sustainable Resource Management) tabled the British Columbia Assets and Land Commission Annual Report, 2000-2001.

The Hon. *R. Coleman* (Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General) tabled the following:

Travel Assurance Fund and Travel Assurance Fund Board Annual Report, 2001/02;

Motor Dealer Customer Compensation Fund and Motor Dealer Customer Compensation Fund Board Annual Report, 2001/2002; and

British Columbia Lottery Corporation Annual Report, 2000/01.

The Hon. *G. Collins* moved—

That the following schedule be adopted for the conclusion of government business for the week of May 27 to May 30, 2002:

Schedule for debate

Day	Time	Bill	Stage
Monday:	3:00-4:00	Bills 28, 54 and 52	Committee
	4:00-4:30	Bill 49 (WCB)	2nd Reading
	4:30-6:00	Bill 48 (ESA)	2nd Reading
	6:30-9:00	Bill 48 (ESA)	2nd Reading
Tuesday:	10:00-11:30	Bill 42 (Labour Code)	Committee
	11:30-12:00	Bill 26 (E&A)	Committee
	3:00-6:00	Bill 26 (E&A)	Committee
Wednesday:	3:00-4:00	Bill 38 (EAA)	Committee
	4:00-5:30	Bill 49 (WCB)	Committee
	5:30-6:00	Bill 27 (Disabilities)	Committee
	6:30-9:00	Bill 27 (Disabilities)	Committee
Thursday:	10:00-12:00	Bill 48 (ESA)	Committee
	3:00-5:30	Bill 48 (ESA)	Committee

Note: Time devoted to Committee Stage debate **includes** possible debate at 3rd Reading.

Motion agreed to, on division.

Bill (No. 28) intituled *Employee Investment Amendment Act, 2002* was committed.

The Hon. *J. Reid* (Minister of Transportation), the Hon. *G. Bruce* (Minister of Skills Development and Labour), the Hon. *G. Cheema* (Minister of State for Mental Health), the Hon. *J. Murray* (Minister of Water, Land and Air Protection) and Mr. *R. Stewart*, MLA, advised the Speaker that pursuant to section 10 (1) of the *Members' Conflict of Interest Act*, they would withdraw from the debate on Bill (No. 28).

Sections 9 and 10 of Bill (No. 28) passed on the following division:

YEAS—62

<i>Coell</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Locke</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>		

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

Bill (No. 28) was reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 54) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2002* was committed.

Section 55 of Bill (No. 54) passed, on division.

Section 70 of Bill (No. 54) passed, on division.

Bill (No. 54) was reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 52) intituled *Motor Vehicle Amendment Act, 2002* 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. 49) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act, 2002*.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—65

<i>Coell</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Les</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Masi</i>			

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

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.

The Hon. *C. Richmond* (Speaker) tabled the letter of resignation received from the Police Complaint Commissioner.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 48) intituled *Employment Standards Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

Ms. *Orr* advised the Speaker that pursuant to section 10 (1) of the *Members' Conflict of Interest Act*, she would withdraw from the debate on Bill (No. 48).

On the motion of Ms. *Kwan*, the debate was adjourned until later today.

An amendment to the motion for second reading of Bill (No. M 203) was agreed to *nemine contradicente* on the following deferred division:

YEAS—60

<i>Coell</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>MacPhail</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Kwan</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Murray</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Hunter</i>

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 48) intituled *Employment Standards Amendment Act, 2002*.

The House recessed until 6.30 p.m.

Ms. *Kwan* moved the following amendment—

That the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 48), intituled *Employment Standards Amendment Act, 2002*, be amended by deleting the word “now” and substituting “six months hence.”

The amendment was negatived on the following division:

YEAS—2

MacPhail

Kwan

NAYS—60

Coell
Halsey-Brandt
Hawkins
Whittred
Cheema
Hansen
J. Reid
Bruce
van Dongen
Barisoff
Roddick
Wilson
Masi
Lee
Thorpe

Hagen
Murray
Plant
Campbell
Collins
Bond
de Jong
Stephens
Abbott
Coleman
Chong
Penner
Jarvis
Anderson
Harris

Nuraney
R. Stewart
Bell
Chutter
Mayencourt
Trumper
Johnston
Bennett
Belsey
Hayer
Christensen
Krueger
McMahon
Bray
Les

Nijjar
Wong
Visser
Lekstrom
MacKay
Cobb
K. Stewart
Bloy
Suffredine
Brice
Sultan
Hamilton
Hawes
Kerr
Hunter

The debate was resumed on the main motion.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—60

Coell
Halsey-Brandt
Hawkins
Whittred
Cheema
Hansen
J. Reid
Bruce
van Dongen
Barisoff
Roddick
Wilson
Masi
Lee
Thorpe

Hagen
Murray
Plant
Campbell
Collins
Bond
de Jong
Stephens
Abbott
Coleman
Chong
Penner
Jarvis
Anderson
Harris

Nuraney
R. Stewart
Bell
Chutter
Mayencourt
Trumper
Johnston
Bennett
Belsey
Hayer
Christensen
Krueger
McMahon
Bray
Les

Nijjar
Wong
Visser
Lekstrom
MacKay
Cobb
K. Stewart
Bloy
Suffredine
Brice
Sultan
Hamilton
Hawes
Kerr
Hunter

NAYS—2

MacPhail

Kwan

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.

And then the House adjourned at 9.04 p.m.

Tuesday, May 28, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *R. Stewart*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 26) intituled *Employment and Assistance Act* was again committed.

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 42) intituled *Labour Relations Code Amendment Act, 2002* was committed.

In consideration of section 3 of Bill (No. 42) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—63

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Bray</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Les</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	

NAYS—2

<i>MacPhail</i>	<i>Kwan</i>
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Bill (No. 42) was reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

And then the House adjourned at 12.06 p.m.

Tuesday, May 28, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *T. Nebbeling* (Minister of State for Community Charter) tabled a draft of the Community Charter — A New Legislative Framework for Local Government and made a ministerial statement regarding same.

The Hon. *R. Neufeld* (Minister of Energy and Mines) tabled the Power for Jobs Activity Annual Report, 2000.

Mr. *Penner* presented the Second Report of the Select Standing Committee on Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:

REPORT

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
May 28, 2002

HONOURABLE SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills begs leave to report as follows:

That the preamble to Bill (No. Pr 402) intituled *Sea to Sky University Act* has been proved, and the Committee recommends that the Bill proceed to Second Reading.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

B. PENNER, *Chair*

The Report was read and received.

By leave of the House, Mr. *Penner* moved that the Report be adopted.

Motion agreed to.

Pursuant to Standing Order 110 (2), Bill (No. Pr 402) to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Ms. *MacPhail* rose on a point of order regarding the resignation of the Police Complaints Commissioner and the authority of the Special Committee to review the Police Complaint process.

The Hon. *G. Collins* made representations.

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

The Hon. *G. Bruce* (Minister of Skills Development and Labour) tabled the following documents:
Labour Relations Board Annual Report, 2001;
Ministry of Labour Annual Performance Report, 2000-2001; and
Ministry of Labour Annual Report, 1998/1999; 1999/2000.

The Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows:

Honourable Members:

On Monday, May 27th, the Government House Leader rose under the provisions of Standing Order 81.1 and advised the House that an agreement had been reached in relation to time allocation for the conclusion of government business.

The Leader of the Opposition rose on what she characterized as a point of order which in essence was a disagreement with the circumstances as outlined by the Government House Leader. The Government House Leader then responded to the objections raised by the Leader of the Opposition and the Speaker advised that the question would be taken under advisement.

An examination of the transcript leads the Chair to conclude that the matter raised by the Leader of the Opposition does not constitute a valid point of order, but simply a disagreement between the two members involved relating to the circumstances surrounding the motion made under Standing Order 81.1.

Accordingly, no further action from the Chair is indicated.

CLAUDE RICHMOND, *Speaker*

The Hon. G. Collins (Minister of Finance) tabled the Statement of 2001/02 Borrowings Pursuant to Section 56 of the *Financial Administration Act*, Schedules A, Schedules B, Schedule C and Schedule D.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 58) intituled *Carrier Lumber Ltd. Forest Licence Compensation Act*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 58) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 26) intituled *Employment and Assistance Act* was again committed.

In consideration of section 8, as amended, of Bill (No. 26) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—56

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Locke</i>	<i>Hunter</i>

NAYS—4

<i>Anderson</i>	<i>MacPhail</i>	<i>Kwan</i>	<i>Christensen</i>
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In consideration of sections 9, 10, 12, 13 as amended, 14, 15, 19, 35, 37 and 38 of Bill (No. 26) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—54

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Locke</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Chong</i>		

NAYS—3

<i>Anderson</i>	<i>MacPhail</i>	<i>Kwan</i>
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In consideration of section 36 of Bill (No. 26) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—53

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Locke</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Masi</i>			

NAYS—4

<i>Anderson</i>	<i>MacPhail</i>	<i>Kwan</i>	<i>Christensen</i>
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Bill (No. 26) was reported complete with amendment.

On the motion, by leave, for third reading of Bill (No. 26) a debate arose.

36 Ms. *Kwan* moved the following amendment—

That the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 26), intituled the *Employment and Assistance Act*, be amended by striking the words after “*that*” and inserting, “*Bill (No. 26), intituled the Employment and Assistance Act, be recommitted to the Committee of the Whole and further that the committee be empowered to invite witnesses to appear before it to assist in its deliberations.*”

The amendment was negatived on the following division:

YEAS—2

*MacPhail**Kwan*

NAYS—57

*Falcon**Coell**L. Reid**Whittred**Hansen**J. Reid**Bruce**Santori**van Dongen**Barisoff**Nettleton**Masi**Lee**Thorpe**Hagen**Collins**Bond**de Jong**Nebbeling**Stephens**Abbott**Neufeld**Coleman**Chong**Anderson**Harris**Nuraney**Brenzinger**R. Stewart**Bell**Chutter**Long**Mayencourt**Trumper**Johnston**Bennett**Belsey**Hayer**Krueger**McMahon**Bray**Les**Locke**Nijjar**Wong**Visser**MacKay**Cobb**K. Stewart**Bloy**Suffredine**Sultan**Hamilton**Hawes**Kerr**Manhas**Hunter*

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 26) the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—56

*Falcon**Coell**L. Reid**Whittred**Hansen**J. Reid**Bruce**Santori**van Dongen**Barisoff**Nettleton**Masi**Lee**Thorpe**Hagen**Collins**Bond**de Jong**Nebbeling**Stephens**Abbott**Neufeld**Coleman**Chong**Harris**Nuraney**Brenzinger**R. Stewart**Bell**Chutter**Long**Mayencourt**Trumper**Johnston**Bennett**Belsey**Hayer**Krueger**McMahon**Bray**Les**Locke**Nijjar**Wong**Visser**MacKay**Cobb**K. Stewart**Bloy**Suffredine**Sultan**Hamilton**Hawes**Kerr**Manhas**Hunter*

NAYS—3

*Anderson**MacPhail**Kwan*

Bill (No. 26) read a third time and passed.

And then the House adjourned at 6.09 p.m.

Wednesday, May 29, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Anderson*.

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

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 57) intituled *Transportation Investment Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
May 23, 2002.

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. Plant* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Treaty Negotiations) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

LANCE FINCH
Administrator

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 59) intituled *Election Statutes Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Vancouver Law Courts,
May 28, 2002

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 "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows:

Honourable Members:

On May 28th, the Honourable Leader of the Opposition rose, as she stated it, "to seek advice" from the Chair about events which occurred in the Special Committee to Review the Police Complaint Process.

The decisions made by that committee are not subject to review by the Chair and matters arising in committee are invariably settled in committee unless they come forward as part of a report to the House.

It is reasonable to assume a report will be coming to the House from the committee and when adoption of the report is moved, the Member may raise such questions as she deems appropriate.

CLAUDE RICHMOND, *Speaker*

By leave, the Hon. *G. Plant* moved—

That the proceedings relating to third reading of Bill (No. 54) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2002* be declared null and void and that the said Bill be re-committed forthwith with respect to section 73.

Motion agreed to.

Bill (No. 54) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2002* was re-committed.

Bill (No. 54) was reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

The Hon. *J. Reid* (Minister of Transportation) tabled the BCR Group Annual Report, 2000.

The Hon. *M. de Jong* (Minister of Forests) tabled the following documents:

Forest Practices Board Annual Report, 2001; and

Forest Appeals Commission Annual Report, 2001.

Mr. *Lekstrom* made a personal statement with respect to the point of order raised by the Leader of the Opposition on May 2, 2002.

The Hon. *C. Richmond* (Speaker) tabled the Legislative Assembly Management Committee Annual Report, 2001-2002.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Bill (No. Pr 402) intituled *Sea to Sky University Act* was read a second time, and by leave, committed, reported complete without amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 58) intituled *Carrier Lumber Ltd. Forest Licence Compensation Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 38) intituled *Environmental Assessment Act* was committed.

Section 1 of Bill (No. 38) passed, on division.

In consideration of sections 10 through 19 of Bill (No. 38) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—60

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Locke</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Hunter</i>

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

Section 51 of Bill (No. 38) passed, on division.

Bill (No. 38) was reported complete without amendment.

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 38) the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—57

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Locke</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Hagen</i>			

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

Bill (No. 38) read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 49) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act, 2002* was committed.

Ms. *MacPhail* moved an amendment to section 8 of Bill (No. 49) which was defeated on the following division:

YEAS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

NAYS—56

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Locke</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Hunter</i>

In consideration of sections 8, 9 and 11 of Bill (No. 49) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—55

<i>Coell</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Locke</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Les</i>	

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

Bill (No. 49) was reported complete with amendment.

On the motion, by leave, for third reading of Bill (No. 49) a debate arose.

34 Ms. *MacPhail* moved the following amendment—

That the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 49), intituled the *Workers Compensation Amendment Act, 2002*, be amended by striking the words after “*that*” and inserting, “*Bill (No. 49), intituled the Workers Compensation Amendment Act, 2002, be recommitted to the Committee of the Whole and further that the committee be empowered to invite witnesses to appear before it to assist in its deliberations.*”

The amendment was negatived on the following division:

YEAS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

NAYS—58

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Bray</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Les</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Locke</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>		

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 49) the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—58

Falcon
Coell
Halsey-Brandt
Whittred
Cheema
Hansen
J. Reid
Bruce
Santori
van Dongen
Barisoff
Nettleton
Roddick
Masi
Lee

Thorpe
Hagen
Murray
Plant
Collins
Bond
de Jong
Nebbeling
Stephens
Abbott
Neufeld
Coleman
Chong
Penner
Jarvis

Anderson
Orr
Harris
Nuraney
Brenzinger
R. Stewart
Chutter
Long
Mayencourt
Trumper
Hayer
Christensen
Krueger
McMahon

Bray
Les
Locke
Nijjar
Bhullar
Wong
Lekstrom
MacKay
Cobb
K. Stewart
Suffredine
Sultan
Hawes
Hunter

NAYS—2

MacPhail

Kwan

Bill (No. 49) read a third time and passed.

The House recessed until 6.35 p.m.

Bill (No. 27) intituled *Employment and Assistance for Persons with Disabilities Act* was again committed.

Ms. *Kwan* moved amendments to sections 14 and 31 of Bill (No. 27) which were defeated on the following division:

YEAS—3

Anderson

MacPhail

Kwan

NAYS—45

Falcon
Coell
L. Reid
Halsey-Brandt
Whittred
Cheema
Hansen
J. Reid
Bruce
van Dongen
Barisoff
Roddick

Masi
Lee
Thorpe
Murray
Bond
Stephens
Neufeld
Coleman
Chong
Penner
Harris

Nuraney
Brenzinger
R. Stewart
Bell
Mayencourt
Trumper
Hayer
Christensen
Krueger
McMahon
Les

Locke
Nijjar
Wong
Lekstrom
MacKay
Cobb
K. Stewart
Suffredine
Sultan
Hawes
Hunter

In consideration of sections 2, as amended, 9, 10, 12, as amended, 13, 14, 15, 16, as amended, 17, 19, 26, 27 and 31 of Bill (No. 27) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—45

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Masi</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Locke</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Roddick</i>			

NAYS—3

<i>Anderson</i>	<i>MacPhail</i>	<i>Kwan</i>
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Bill (No. 27) was reported complete with amendment.

On the motion, by leave, for third reading of Bill (No. 27) a debate arose.

35 Ms. Kwan moved the following amendment—

That the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 27), intituled the *Employment and Assistance for Persons with Disabilities Act*, be amended by striking out the words after “*that*” and inserting, “*Bill (No. 27), intituled the Employment and Assistance for Persons with Disabilities Act, 2002, be recommitted to the Committee of the Whole and further that the committee be empowered to invite witnesses to appear before it to assist in its deliberations.*”

The amendment was negatived on the following division:

YEAS—2

<i>MacPhail</i>	<i>Kwan</i>
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NAYS—49

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Les</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Locke</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Masi</i>			

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 27) the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—48

Falcon
Coell
L. Reid
Halsey-Brandt
Whittred
Cheema
Hansen
J. Reid
Bruce
van Dongen
Barisoff
Roddick

Masi
Lee
Thorpe
Murray
Plant
Collins
Bond
Stephens
Neufeld
Coleman
Chong
Penner

Harris
Nuraney
Brenzinger
R. Stewart
Bell
Long
Mayencourt
Trumper
Hayer
Christensen
Krueger
McMahon

Les
Locke
Nijjar
Wong
Lekstrom
MacKay
Cobb
K. Stewart
Suffredine
Sultan
Hawes
Hunter

NAYS—3

Anderson

MacPhail

Kwan

Bill (No. 27) read a third time and passed.

And then the House adjourned at 9.11 p.m.

Thursday, May 30, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by the Hon. *R. Coleman*.

Ms. *MacPhail* reserved her right to raise a matter of privilege.

Mr. *Nuraney* presented the First Report of the Special Committee to Review the Police Complaint Process for the Third Session of the Thirty-seventh Parliament.

The Report was taken as read and received.

By leave, Mr. *Nuraney* moved that the Report be adopted.

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

37 The Hon. *G. Collins* moved—

That the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services be empowered:

- (1) To examine, inquire into and make recommendations with respect to the pre-budget consultation report prepared by the Minister of Finance in accordance with section 2 of the *Budget Transparency and Accountability Act* and, in particular, to:
 - (a) Conduct public consultations across British Columbia on proposals and recommendations regarding the provincial budget and fiscal policy for the coming fiscal year by any means the committee considers appropriate, including but not limited to public meetings, telephone and electronic means;
 - (b) Prepare a report no later than November 15, 2002 on the results of those consultations; and

- (2) (a) To consider and make recommendations on the annual service plans, business plans and budgets of the following statutory officers:
- (i) Auditor General;
 - (ii) Chief Electoral Officer;
 - (iii) Conflict of Interest Commissioner;
 - (iv) Information and Privacy Commissioner;
 - (v) Ombudsman; and
 - (vi) Police Complaint Commissioner.
- (b) To examine, inquire into and make recommendations with respect to reports or communications of the officers of the Legislative Assembly, from time to time submitted to the Committee respecting any matter within the jurisdiction of that officer.

In addition to the powers previously conferred upon the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services, the committee shall be empowered:

- (a) to appoint of their number one or more subcommittees and refer to such subcommittees any of the matters referred to the committee;
- (b) to sit during a period in which the House is adjourned and during any sitting of the House;
- (c) to adjourn from place to place as may be convenient; and
- (d) to retain 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.

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

Ms. *MacPhail* reserved her right to raise a matter of privilege.

38 The Hon. *G. Collins* 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 Messrs. *Hawes* (Convener), *Long*, *Christensen*, *Les*, *Nettleton*, *Suffredine*, *Visser*, and Mmes. *Brice*, *McMahon*, and Mme. *MacPhail*.

Motion agreed to.

39 The Hon. *G. Collins* moved—

That a Special Committee be appointed to select and unanimously recommend to the Legislative Assembly, the appointment of a Police Complaint Commissioner for the Province of British Columbia, pursuant to section 47 of the *Police 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 Messrs. *Nuraney* (Convener), *MacKay*, *Lee*, *Johnston*, *Wong*, and Mmes. *Sahota*, *Locke*, and Mme. *Kwan*.

Motion agreed to.

40 The Hon. *G. Collins* moved —

That the reports of the Auditor General of British Columbia deposited with the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly during the third session of the thirty-seventh parliament be deemed referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, and in addition that the following reports of the Auditor General of British Columbia be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts:

- Monitoring the Government's Finances (February 2002);
- Management of the Information Technology Portfolio in the Ministry of Attorney General (February 2002);
- Information Use by the Ministry of Health in Resource Allocation Decisions for the Regional Health Care System (April 2002); and
- Building a Strong Work Environment in British Columbia's Public Service: A Key to Delivering Quality Service (April 2002).

In addition to the powers previously conferred upon the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, 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; and
- (d) to retain 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.

41 The Hon. *G. Collins* moved—

That the Select Standing Committee on Crown Corporations be appointed to review the annual reports and performance plans of British Columbia Crown Corporations.

In addition to the powers previously conferred upon the Select Standing Committee on Crown Corporations, 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; and
- (d) to retain 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.

Bill (No. 48) intituled *Employment Standards Amendment Act* was committed.

Ms. *MacPhail* moved an amendment to add section 2.1 to Bill (No. 48) which was defeated, on division.

Ms. *MacPhail* moved an amendment to section 4 of Bill (No. 48) which 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 12.02 p.m.

Thursday, May 30, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *G. Plant* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Treaty Negotiations) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 53) intituled *Human Rights Code Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
May 16, 2002.

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. Bruce* (Minister of Skills Development and Labour) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 56) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act (No. 2), 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
May 23, 2002.*

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 "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *S. Hagen* (Minister of Sustainable Resource Management) tabled the BC Assessment Annual Performance Report for the Year 2001 and a Report on the Creation of the 2002 Assessment Roll, and the Financial Statements for Year ended December 31, 2001.

The Hon. *C. Richmond* (Speaker) tabled the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner Annual Report, 2001-2002.

Ms. *MacPhail* rose on a point of privilege relating to the premature disclosure of the draft report of the Special Committee to Review the Police Complaint Process.

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

The Hon. *G. Collins* reserved his right to respond.

Mr. *Penner* presented the Third Report of the Select Standing Committee on Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills for the Third Session of the Thirty-seventh Parliament.

The Report was taken as read and received.

By leave, Mr. *Penner* moved that the Report be adopted.

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to, on division.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 48) intituled *Employment Standards Amendment Act, 2002* was again committed.

Section 11 of Bill (No. 48) passed, on division.

Section 12 of Bill (No. 48) passed, on division.

Ms. *MacPhail* moved an amendment to section 17 of Bill (No. 48) which was defeated, on division.

Section 19 of Bill (No. 48) passed, on division.

In consideration of a proposed amendment by the Hon. *G. Bruce* on the Order Paper to section 17 of Bill (No. 48), the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—24

<i>Coell</i>	<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Christensen</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Bray</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Sahota</i>

NAYS—2

<i>MacPhail</i>	<i>Kwan</i>
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In consideration of sections 4, 10, 14, 17 as amended, 23, 39, 42 and 54 of Bill (No. 48) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—24

<i>Coell</i>	<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Christensen</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Bray</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Sahota</i>

NAYS—2

<i>MacPhail</i>	<i>Kwan</i>
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Bill (No. 48) was reported complete with amendment.

On the motion, by leave, for third reading of Bill (No. 48) a debate arose.

33 Ms. *MacPhail* moved—

That the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 48), intituled the *Employment Standards Amendment Act, 2002*, be amended by striking out the words after “*that*” and inserting, “*Bill (No. 48), intituled the Employment Standards Amendment Act, 2002, be recommitted to the Committee of the Whole and further that the committee be empowered to invite witnesses to appear before it to assist in its deliberations.*”

The amendment was negated on the following division:

YEAS—2

<i>MacPhail</i>	<i>Kwan</i>
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NAYS—15

<i>Coell</i>	<i>Masi</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Bray</i>	

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 48) the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—15

Coell
Hawkins
van Dongen
Nettleton

Masi
Hagen
Collins
Penner

Jarvis
Bell
Christensen
Bray

MacKay
K. Stewart
Hamilton

NAYS—2

MacPhail

Kwan

Bill (No. 48) read a third time and passed.

The Speaker declared a short recess.

Her 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 Acts:

Bill (No. 21) *Agricultural Land Commission Act.*

Bill (No. 26) *Employment and Assistance Act.*

Bill (No. 27) *Employment and Assistance for Persons with Disabilities Act.*

Bill (No. 28) *Employee Investment Amendment Act, 2002.*

Bill (No. 34) *School Amendment Act, 2002.*

Bill (No. 38) *Environmental Assessment Act.*

Bill (No. 39) *Protected Areas Forests Compensation Act.*

Bill (No. 40) *Forests Statutes Amendment Act, 2002.*

Bill (No. 41) *Forest (First Nations Development) Amendment Act, 2002.*

Bill (No. 42) *Labour Relations Code Amendment Act, 2002.*

Bill (No. 43) *Office for Children and Youth Act.*

Bill (No. 44) *Health Care (Consent) and Care Facility (Admission) Amendment Act, 2002.*

Bill (No. 46) *Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act, 2002.*

Bill (No. 48) *Employment Standards Amendment Act, 2002.*

Bill (No. 49) *Workers Compensation Amendment Act, 2002.*

Bill (No. 50) *Advanced Education Statutes Amendment Act, 2002.*

Bill (No. 51) *Public Safety and Solicitor General Statutes Amendment Act, 2002.*

Bill (No. 52) *Motor Vehicle Amendment Act, 2002.*

Bill (No. 54) *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2002.*

Bill (No. 58) *Carrier Lumber Ltd. Forest Licence Compensation Act*.

Bill (No. Pr 401) *Spring Enterprises Inc. (Corporate Restoration) Act, 2002*.

Bill (No. Pr 402) *Sea to Sky University Act*.

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

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

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

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

The Hon. *G. Collins* 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 Third Session of the Thirty-seventh 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.

Motion agreed to.

And then the House adjourned at 5.54 p.m.

PUBLIC WRITTEN QUESTIONS

8 Helen Sparkes, Mayor, City of New Westminster, to ask the Hon. the Minister of Competition, Science and Enterprise, regarding the Minister's responsibility for Competition, the following question: —

As the mayor of New Westminster, I am concerned about the long term competitiveness and viability of one of our city's largest taxpayers and employers. The future health of the beer industry is key to New Westminster, if we want to protect jobs and tax base that Labatt Breweries has provided for over 40 years. Can the minister advise the residents of New Westminster of the status of the volume-based beer tax proposal and when it will be implemented throughout the province?

"OFFICE OF THE MINISTER,
MINISTRY OF COMPETITION, SCIENCE AND ENTERPRISE
"VICTORIA, B.C., MAY 30, 2002

"Her Worship Helen Sparkes

"Mayor

"City of New Westminster

"DEAR MAYOR SPARKES — I am responding to your public written question on the status of volume-based beer tax proposal as you submitted to the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

One of my key roles as the Minister of Competition, Science and Enterprise is to create a competitive investment and business climate in British Columbia. To date our government has

implemented a number of changes to help increase the competitiveness of ALL businesses in British Columbia — including 17 different tax reductions.

These changes include halving the corporate capital tax last September 1st and completely eliminating the tax on September 1st of this year, and the general corporate tax rate was reduced from 16.5% to 13.5% on January 1st of this year. Our government has embarked on a 3-year deregulation plan to eliminate 1/3 of government regulation.

Our government also raised the threshold for small business taxation from \$200,000 to \$300,000. We also gave every British Columbian a personal tax cut of 25% on our government's first day in office. This will put more money in the pockets of British Columbians to purchase products from British Columbia companies and thereby making them more competitive.

These changes are an important start in returning all British Columbian companies to a competitive level with other jurisdictions.

With respect to the volume-based beer tax proposal, the Liquor Distribution Branch has been in extensive consultations with industry on different mark-up systems for beverage alcohol. Our objective is to develop a liquor mark-up system that is simplified, fair to industry, and will over time result in reduced prices to consumers.

As the Province is making a number of changes to return British Columbian companies to a competitive level, I trust local and regional governments around the province are also making sure that their taxation levels and regulatory burdens are not placing unnecessary costs on British Columbia businesses.

Thank you for taking the time to write me on this issue.

R. THORPE, *Minister*

Monday, October 7, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. McKay.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for "Private Members' Statements" called.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. M 204) intituled *The Hunting and Fishing Heritage Act*.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

Monday, October 7, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *C. Hansen* (Minister of Health Services) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 60) intituled *Health Authorities Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 3, 2002.

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 "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *C. Richmond* (Speaker) tabled the following:

Auditor General Report 3, 2002/2003: Follow-up of Performance Reports;

Auditor General Report 4, 2002/2003: Monitoring the Government's Finances;

Auditor General Report 2, 2002/2003: A Review of Financial Management Issues in the Office of the Police Complaint Commissioner;

Auditor General, Response to a Request Contained in a Ministerial Statement by the Minister of Competition, Science and Enterprise to the Legislative Assembly on May 14, 2002;

Office of the Police Complaint Commissioner Annual Report, 2001;

Office of the Child, Youth and Family Advocate Annual Report, 2001;

Auditor General of British Columbia Financial Statement for year ended March 31, 2002;

Report of the Chief Electoral Officer on the 37th Provincial General Election May 16, 2001; and

Report of the Chief Electoral Officer on the Treaty Negotiations Referendum, Referendum 2002.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 47) intituled *Business Corporations Act*, 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.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 59) intituled *Election Statutes Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 59) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

The following Reports were received by the Office of the Clerk during adjournment:

Advanced Education Annual Report, 2001/02;
Agriculture, Food and Fisheries Annual Report, 2001/02;
Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Treaty Negotiations Annual Report, 2001/02;
BC Health Care Risk Management Society Annual Report, 2001/2002;
BC Housing Annual Report, 2001-2002;
BC Hydro Annual Report, 2001-2002;
BC Hydro First Quarter Report (three months ended June 30, 2002);
BC Games Society Annual Report, 2001/2002;
BC Pavilion Corporation Annual Report, April 1, 2001 to March 31, 2002;
BC Transit Annual Report, 2001/2002;
BC Transportation Financing Authority Annual Report, 2001/02;
British Columbia Arts Council Annual Report, 2001/2002;
British Columbia Buildings Corporation Annual Report, 2001-2002;
British Columbia Environmental Assessment Office Annual Report, 2001/02;
British Columbia Ferry Corporation Annual Report, 2001/02;
British Columbia Government Annual Report, 2001/02;
British Columbia Heritage Trust Annual Report, 2001/2002;
British Columbia Liquor Distribution Branch Annual Report, 2001/2002;
British Columbia Lottery Corporation Annual Report, 2001/02;
British Columbia Securities Commission Annual Report, 2001/02;
British Columbia Utilities Commission Annual Report, 2001;
Children and Family Development Annual Report, 2001/02;
Children's Commission Annual Report, 2001;
Columbia Basin Trust Annual Report, 2001-2002;
Columbia Power Corporation Annual Report 2001/02;
Community, Aboriginal and Women's Services Annual Report, 2001/02;
Competition, Science and Enterprise Annual Report, 2001/02;
Education Annual Report, 2001/02;
Energy and Mines Annual Report, 2001/02;
Finance Annual Report, 2001/02;
Finance Budget 2003 Consultation Paper;
Forensic Psychiatric Services Commission Annual Report, 2001-2002;
Forests Annual Report, 2001/02;
Forests Practices Board — Audit of Forest Planning and Practices and Forest Practices Code Enforcement on Nisga'a Lands, August 2002;
Forest Renewal British Columbia Annual Performance Report, 2001/02;
Health Planning Annual Report, 2001/02;
Health Services Annual Report, 2001/02;
Homeowner Protection Office Annual Report, 2001/2002;
Human Resources Annual Report, 2001/02;
Insurance Corporation of British Columbia Annual Report, 2001;
Job Protection Commission Annual Report, 2001;
Land and Water British Columbia Inc. Service Plan Report, 2001/02;
Legal Services Society Annual Report, 2001/2002;

Management Services Annual Report, 2001/02;
Members of the Legislative Assembly Pension Plan Annual Report, 2001;
Office of the Premier Annual Report, 2001/02;
Okanagan Valley Tree Fruit Authority Annual Report, 2001/02;
Organized Crime Agency of British Columbia Annual Report, 2001/02;
Pacific National Exhibition Annual Report, 2001;
Private Post-Secondary Education Commission Annual Report, 2001/02;
Provincial Capital Commission Annual Report, 2001/2002;
Provincial Revenue Annual Report, 2001/02;
Public Accounts of the Province of British Columbia for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2002;
Public Guardian and Trustee Annual Report, 2002;
Public Safety and Solicitor General Annual Report, 2001/02;
Quarterly Report (First Quarter April to June 2002);
Rapid Transit Project 2000 Ltd. Annual Report, 2001/2002;
Science Council of British Columbia Annual Report, 2001/2002;
Seven Mile Dam Safety Improvements Project Major Capital Project Plan, BC Hydro, August, 2002;
Skills Development and Labour Annual Report, 2001/02;
Sustainable Resource Management Annual Report, 2001/02;
Tourism British Columbia Annual Report, 2001/02;
Transportation Annual Report 2001/02;
Vancouver Island Generation Project Major Capital Project Plan, BC Hydro, July, 2002;
Water, Land and Air Protection Annual Report, 2001/02.

And then the House adjourned at 3.47 p.m.

Tuesday, October 8, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Wong.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 59) intituled *Election Statutes Amendment Act, 2002* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 60) intituled *Health Authorities Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.53 a.m.

Tuesday, October 8, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *J. Murray* (Minister of Water, Land and Air Protection) on behalf of the Hon. *C. Hansen* (Minister of Health Services) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 61) intituled *Drinking Water Protection Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 3, 2002.

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.

Pursuant to section 14 of the *Budget Transparency and Accountability Act*, the Hon. *G. Collins* (Minister of Finance) tabled reports from ICBC on a change to the overall development budget of the Surrey Central City Project.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 60) intituled *Health Authorities Amendment Act, 2002*.

The debate continued.

Bill (No. 60) 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. 47) intituled *Business Corporations Act* was committed.

Ms. *MacPhail* moved an amendment to section 169 of Bill (No. 47) which was defeated, on division.

Ms. *MacPhail* moved an amendment to section 191 of Bill (No. 47) which was defeated, on division.

Bill (No. 47) was reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

And then the House adjourned at 4.21 p.m.

Wednesday, October 9, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Hon. *J. van Dongen*.

The Hon. *G. Plant* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Treaty Negotiations) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 62) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 3), 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 8, 2002.

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 "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. *Nuraney* presented the Second Report of the Special Committee to Review the Police Complaint Process for the Third Session of the Thirty-seventh Parliament.

The Report was taken as read and received.

By leave, Mr. *Nuraney* moved that the Report be adopted.

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 60) intituled *Health Authorities Amendment Act, 2002* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 61) intituled *Drinking Water Protection Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

Bill (No. 61) 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 3.27 p.m.

Thursday, October 10, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Anderson*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 61) intituled *Drinking Water Protection Amendment Act, 2002* was committed.

In consideration of section 3 of Bill (No. 61) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—51

<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Locke</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Wong</i>	

NAYS—1

MacPhail

Bill (No. 61) was reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

And then the house adjourned at 10.48 a.m.

Thursday, October 10, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *G. Bruce* (Minister of Skills Development and Labour) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 63) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act (No. 2), 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 9, 2002.

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.

By notice from the Minister to the Table, Bill (No. 56) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act (No. 2), 2002* was withdrawn from the Order Paper.

Order called for “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

42 The Hon. *G. Collins* moved—

That the Select Standing Committee on Health be empowered to examine, inquire into and make recommendations with respect to responses to the Committee’s Report to the House on December 10, 2001 entitled “Patients First” and those reports relating to health care and its delivery that have been published since the Committee reported to the House.

In addition to the powers previously conferred upon the Select Standing Committee on Health this present session, the Committee shall be empowered:

- (a) to appoint of their number, one or more subcommittees and to refer such subcommittees any of the matters referred to the Committee;
- (b) to sit during a period in which the House is adjourned 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 by December 13, 2002; 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.

By leave, the Hon. *G. Collins* moved—

That the Select Standing Committee on Health be composed of Mmes. *Roddick* (Convener), *Brice* and *Sahota*; Messrs. *Bray*, *Cobb*, *Harris*, *Hawes*, *Johnston*, *Long*, *Suffredine* and Ms. *MacPhail*.

Motion agreed to.

Mr. *Hawes* presented the Report of the Special Committee to Appoint a Chief Electoral Officer.

The Report was taken as read and received.

By leave, Mr. *Hawes* moved that the Report be adopted.

Motion agreed to.

By leave, Mr. *Hawes* moved—

That this House recommend to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor the appointment of Mr. Harry Neufeld as a statutory Officer of the Legislature, to exercise the powers and duties assigned to the Chief Electoral Officer for the province of British Columbia pursuant to the *Election Act* (RSBC 1996, c. 106).

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 62) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 3), 2002*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 62) 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 2.51 p.m.

Monday, October 21, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Krueger*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for "Private Members' Statements" called.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. M 204) intituled *The Hunting and Fishing Heritage Act*.

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

And then the house adjourned at 11.56 a.m.

Monday, October 21, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *J. Murray* (Minister of Water, Land and Air Protection) made a statement regarding the deaths of three Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection employees in Kamloops.

Ms. *MacPhail* made a statement.

The House observed a minute of silence.

The Hon. *G. Plant* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Treaty Negotiations) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 64) intituled *Human Rights Code Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 17, 2002.

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.

By notice from the Minister to the Table, Bill (No. 53) intituled *Human Rights Code Amendment Act, 2002* was withdrawn from the Order Paper.

The Hon. *G. Hogg* (Minister of Children and Family Development) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 65) intituled *Community Services Interim Authorities Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 17, 2002.

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. Bruce* (Minister of Skills Development and Labour) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 66) intituled *Public Sector Employers Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 17, 2002.

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. Reid* (Minister of Transportation) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 67) intituled *Transportation Investment Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 17, 2002.

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.

By notice from the Minister to the Table, Bill (No. 57) intituled *Transportation Investment Act* was withdrawn from the Order Paper.

Order called for “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

By leave, the Hon. G. Collins moved—

That the proceedings relating to second reading and the order for committal of Bill (No. 62) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 3), 2002* be declared null and void and that the Bill forthwith be restored to the Order Paper for second reading under the order Public Bills and Orders, and upon completion of second reading, the Bill may, on a Government motion without notice or leave, be committed to the Committee of the Whole forthwith.

A debate arose.

Ms. MacPhail moved the following amendment—

That the motion introduced by the Government House Leader to declare null and void the second reading proceedings on Bill (No. 62) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 3), 2002* be amended by striking out the words following “...*Public Bills and Orders*, ~~and upon completion of second reading, the Bill may, on a Government motion without notice or leave, be committed to the Committee of the Whole forthwith.~~”

The House divided.

The amendment was defeated on the following division:

YEAS—2

MacPhail

Kwan

NAYS—66

Falcon
Coell
Hogg
L. Reid
Halsey-Brandt
Hawkins
Whittred
Cheema
Hansen
J. Reid
Bruce
Santori
van Dongen
Barisoff
Nettleton
Wilson
Masi

Lee
Hagen
Murray
Collins
Clark
Bond
de Jong
Nebbeling
Abbott
Neufeld
Coleman
Chong
Jarvis
Anderson
Orr
Harris
Nuraney

Brenzinger
R. Stewart
Bell
Chutter
Long
Mayencourt
Trumper
Johnston
Bennett
Belsey
Hayer
Christensen
Krueger
McMahon
Bray
Les

Locke
Nijjar
Wong
Visser
Lekstrom
Cobb
K. Stewart
Bloy
Suffredine
Brice
Sultan
Hamilton
Sahota
Kerr
Manhas
Hunter

In consideration of the main motion, the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—66

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Locke</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>		

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 62) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act* (No. 3), 2002, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—47

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Belsey</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Hayer</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Christensen</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Masi</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

Bill (No. 62) read a second time and *Ordered* to be committed forthwith.

Bill (No. 62) was committed.

The Committee recessed until 6.30 p.m.

A proposed amendment by Ms. *Kwan* to section 1 of Bill (No. 62) was defeated, on division.

In consideration of section 1 of Bill (No. 62) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—58

<i>Coell</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Les</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Harris</i>		

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

In consideration of section 3 of Bill (No. 62) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—50

<i>Coell</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>		

NAYS—3

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 9.00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 22, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Bray*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 63) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act (No. 2), 2002*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

Bill (No. 63) 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. 67) intituled *Transportation Investment Act*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

Bill (No. 67) 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 11.58 a.m.

Tuesday, October 22, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 62) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 3), 2002* was again committed.

In consideration of section 5 of Bill (No. 62) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—48

<i>Coell</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Locke</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Hunter</i>

NAYS—3

*Anderson**MacPhail**Kwan*

A proposed amendment by the Hon. *S. Santori* on the Order Paper to section 9 of Bill (No. 62) passed, on division.

Ms. *Kwan* moved an amendment to section 9 (6) (a) (i), as amended, of Bill (No. 62) which was defeated, on division.

Ms. *Kwan* moved two amendments to section 9 (6) (b), as amended, of Bill (No. 62) which were defeated, on division.

In consideration of section 9, as amended, of Bill (No. 62) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—29

*Coell**Hagen**Neufeld**McMahon**Hogg**Murray**Penner**Les**Hawkins**Plant**Harris**Locke**Whittred**Collins**Bell**Nijjar**Cheema**Clark**Mayencourt**Lekstrom**J. Reid**Nebbeling**Belsey**Bloy**Santori**Abbott**Hayer**Sahota**Nettleton*

NAYS—1

Kwan

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 6.01 p.m.

Wednesday, October 23, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Hon. *C. Clark*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 64) intituled *Human Rights Code Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—63

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Masi</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Les</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Campbell</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Bray</i>	

NAYS—1

Kwan

Bill (No. 64) 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. 65) intituled *Community Services Interim Authorities Act*, a debate arose.

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.03 p.m.

Thursday, October 24, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Ms. *Trumper*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 64) intituled *Human Rights Code Amendment Act, 2002* was committed.

In consideration of section 2 of Bill (No. 64) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—57

<i>Coell</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Locke</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Hagen</i>			

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

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 11.55 a.m.

Thursday, October 24, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *G. Collins* (Minister of Finance) tabled the Auditor General Annual Report, 2001/2002.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 64) intituled *Human Rights Code Amendment Act, 2002* was again committed.

In consideration of section 3 of Bill (No. 64) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—43

<i>Coell</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Wong</i>	

NAYS—2

*MacPhail**Kwan*

In consideration of section 5 of Bill (No. 64) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—38

*Falcon
Coell
Hawkins
Cheema
Hansen
J. Reid
Nettleton
Roddick
Masi
Lee*

*Hagen
Plant
Collins
Clark
Bond
Nebbeling
Stephens
Coleman
Chong
Anderson*

*Harris
Nuraney
Chutter
Krueger
McMahon
Bray
Les
Wong
Visser*

*Cobb
Suffredine
Brice
Sultan
Hamilton
Hawes
Kerr
Manhas
Hunter*

NAYS—2

*MacPhail**Kwan*

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 5.59 p.m.

PUBLIC WRITTEN QUESTIONS

9 Rolly Hein, Mayor, District of Lake Country, to ask the Hon. the Minister of Water, Land and Air Protection, regarding the Minister's responsibility for Watershed and Habitat Protection, the following question: —

Whereas water rights are issued by the Province and whereas riparian areas, fish and people all rely on water quantity and quality will the Province monitor and regulate to make sure the water licensees are not overusing their allotment?

The Hon. *S. Hagen*, on behalf of the Hon. *J. Murray*, replied as follows:

I am pleased to respond to Public Written Question No. 9 "Water Licensees Allocation" dated October 22, 2002, submitted by His Worship Mayor Rolly Hein, Mayor, District of Lake Country, to Honourable Joyce Murray, Minister of Water, Land and Air Protection.

Land and Water British Columbia Inc. (LWBC) monitors water licensees in a variety of ways. The *Water Act* makes the licensees responsible for the operation of their works and liable for any damage caused by improper operation. As well, major licensees report on actual use regularly e.g. BC Hydro reports monthly. Residents along rivers and lakes will advise LWBC of problems and issues as they arise and in low flow times, LWBC does special monitoring programs at which time licensees can be ordered to make changes. On streams with known problems, water bailiffs are appointed to regulate the use of water.

As an example, LWBC is currently working with BC Hydro to manage near-drought conditions at several of their facilities on Vancouver Island. BC Hydro has reduced power production and discharge flows on the Puntledge and Quinsam River systems in order to maintain minimum water levels. Although this operation is outside their normal licence conditions, this modified operation should conserve water in order to minimize the impact of the current low flows.

If Mayor Hein requires further information or clarification around this issue, I would ask that he contact Joan Hesketh, Vice-President, Land and Water Management Division, Land and Water British Columbia Inc. at (250) 952-6245.

Monday, October 28, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Cobb*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for "Private Members' Statements" called.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. M 204) intituled *The Hunting and Fishing Heritage Act*.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

Monday, October 28, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *S. Hawkins* (Minister of Health Planning) tabled the Provincial Health Officer's Annual Report 2001, entitled *The Health and Well-being of Aboriginal People in British Columbia*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 65) intituled *Community Services Interim Authorities Act*.

The debate continued.

Bill (No. 65) 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. 64) intituled *Human Rights Code Amendment Act, 2002* was again committed.

Section 10 of Bill (No. 64) passed, on division.

Bill (No. 64) was reported complete with amendment.

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

The House recessed until 6.45 p.m.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 66) intituled *Public Sector Employers Amendment Act, 2002* a debate arose.

Bill (No. 66) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 63) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act (No. 2), 2002* was committed.

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 8.49 p.m.

PUBLIC WRITTEN QUESTIONS

11 Gary Coons, President, Prince Rupert District Teachers' Union, to ask the Hon. the Premier, regarding the Olympics, the following question: —

As there was nothing about the Olympic question in the B.C. Liberal platform, nor any mention in the Report from Caucus, when will the government announce a referendum similar to the treaty referendum? Let British Columbians decide!

The Hon. *T. Nebbeling* replied as follows:

Thank you for the question.

It is important to note that public opinion polling conducted by the 2010 Bid Corporation has consistently shown that a majority of British Columbians across the province already support the Olympic Bid. Our government shares the view of many British Columbians that our bid for the Games is a tremendous opportunity to showcase our province internationally and to show the world that BC is open for investment and ready to lead again.

As you also stated that there was nothing about the Olympic Bid in the BC Liberal Party's election platform, please let me draw your attention to page ten of our election campaign's *New Era for British Columbia* document, which clearly states that a BC Liberal government will "aggressively support and champion BC's bid to host the 2010 Winter Olympics."

Thank you for your interest on this matter.

Tuesday, October 29, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Mayencourt*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 63) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act (No. 2), 2002* was again committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 66) intituled *Public Sector Employers Amendment Act, 2002* was committed.

Section 14.2 contained within section 5 of Bill (No. 66) passed, on division.

Bill (No. 66) was reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

And then the House adjourned at 11.43 a.m.

Tuesday, October 29, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

By leave, the Hon. *G. Plant* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Treaty Negotiations) tabled a document entitled *Response to the Judicial Justice Compensation Committee Report 2002 Report to the Attorney General* pursuant to section 32.1 of the *Provincial Court Act*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 64) intituled *Human Rights Code Amendment Act, 2002*, the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—71

Falcon
Coell
Hogg
L. Reid
Halsey-Brandt
Hawkins
Whittred
Cheema
Hansen
J. Reid
Bruce
Santori
van Dongen
Barisoff
Nettleton
Roddick
Wilson
Masi

Lee
Thorpe
Hagen
Murray
Plant
Campbell
Collins
Clark
Bond
de Jong
Stephens
Abbott
Coleman
Chong
Penner
Jarvis
Anderson
Harris

Nuraney
R. Stewart
Bell
Chutter
Long
Mayencourt
Trumper
Johnston
Bennett
Belsey
Hayer
Christensen
Krueger
McMahon
Bray
Les
Locke
Nijjar

Bhullar
Wong
Visser
Lekstrom
MacKay
Cobb
K. Stewart
Bloy
Suffredine
Brice
Sultan
Hamilton
Sahota
Hawes
Kerr
Manhas
Hunter

NAYS—2

MacPhail

Kwan

Bill (No. 64) read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 62) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 3), 2002* was again committed.

In consideration of a proposed amendment by Ms. *Kwan* on the Order Paper to section 10 of Bill (No. 62), the Committee divided.

The amendment was defeated on the following division:

YEAS—2

MacPhail

Kwan

NAYS—68

Falcon

Lee

Harris

Nijjar

Coell

Thorpe

Nuraney

Bhullar

Hogg

Hagen

R. Stewart

Wong

L. Reid

Murray

Bell

Visser

Halsey-Brandt

Plant

Chutter

Lekstrom

Hawkins

Campbell

Long

MacKay

Whittred

Collins

Mayencourt

Cobb

Hansen

Clark

Johnston

K. Stewart

J. Reid

Bond

Bennett

Bloy

Bruce

de Jong

Belsey

Suffredine

Santori

Stephens

Hayer

Brice

van Dongen

Abbott

Christensen

Sultan

Barisoff

Coleman

Krueger

Hamilton

Nettleton

Chong

McMahon

Sahota

Roddick

Penner

Bray

Hawes

Wilson

Jarvis

Les

Manhas

Masi

Anderson

Locke

Hunter

In consideration of section 10 of Bill (No. 62) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—68

Falcon

Lee

Harris

Nijjar

Coell

Thorpe

Nuraney

Bhullar

Hogg

Hagen

R. Stewart

Wong

L. Reid

Murray

Bell

Visser

Halsey-Brandt

Plant

Chutter

Lekstrom

Hawkins

Campbell

Long

MacKay

Whittred

Collins

Mayencourt

Cobb

Hansen

Clark

Johnston

K. Stewart

J. Reid

Bond

Bennett

Bloy

Bruce

de Jong

Belsey

Suffredine

Santori

Stephens

Hayer

Brice

van Dongen

Abbott

Christensen

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Barisoff

Coleman

Krueger

Hamilton

Nettleton

Chong

McMahon

Sahota

Roddick

Penner

Bray

Hawes

Wilson

Jarvis

Les

Manhas

Masi

Anderson

Locke

Hunter

NAYS—2

MacPhail

Kwan

Bill (No. 62) was reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 65) intituled *Community Services Interim Authorities Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

And then the House adjourned at 5.59 p.m.

Wednesday, October 30, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Hon. *S. Bond*.

The Hon. *S. Hawkins* (Minister of Health Planning) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 68) intituled *Vital Statistics Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 25, 2002.

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. *S. Bond* (Minister of Advanced Education) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 69) intituled *Open Learning Agency Repeal Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 24, 2002.

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. *R. Coleman* (Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 70) intituled *Residential Tenancy Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 29, 2002.

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. *R. Coleman* (Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 71) intituled *Manufactured Home Park Tenancy Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 29, 2002.

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. *Jarvis*, Bill (No. Pr 403) intituled *Hansler Ozone Canada Inc. (Corporate Restoration) Act, 2002* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* referred to the Select Standing Committee on Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills.

On the motion of Mr. *Nijjar*, Bill (No. Pr 404) intituled *Gold Standard Resources Ltd. (Corporate Restoration) Act, 2002* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* referred to the Select Standing Committee on Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 67) intituled *Transportation Investment Act* was committed.

In consideration of section 2 of Bill (No. 67) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—67

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Campbell</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Locke</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>	

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

Section 3 of Bill (No. 67) passed, on division.

Sections 6 and 7 of Bill (No. 67) passed, 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 5.34 p.m.

Thursday, October 31, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Bloy*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

44 The Hon. *G. Plant* moved —

That the Legislative Assembly reject four of the recommendations of the *Judicial Justice Compensation Committee 2002 Report to the Attorney General*, as laid before this Assembly May 13, 2002, for reasons outlined in the document entitled, *Response to the Judicial Justice Compensation Committee*

2002 Report to the Attorney General filed in this House October 29, 2002, pursuant to section 32.1 (12) of the *Provincial Court Act*.

- (1) The recommendation for a salary increase of 5.5%, which would have paid judicial justices a full-time salary of \$77,935 for the 2003 calendar year, is rejected as unreasonable and unfair. The substitute provision for the salary for judicial justices will be \$73,872 in 2003, a 0% increase over the salary for 2002.
- (2) The recommendation for a salary increase of 9%, which would have paid judicial justices a full-time salary of \$84,949 for the 2004 calendar year, is rejected as unreasonable and unfair. The substitute provision for the salary for judicial justices will be \$73,872 in 2004, a 0% increase over the salary for 2003.
- (3) The recommendation for a \$1000 Professional Allowance is rejected as unreasonable.
- (4) The recommendation that the term of office for judicial justices be raised from 65 to 70 years is rejected as unreasonable.

That the Legislative Assembly accept the remaining recommendations contained in the *Judicial Justice Compensation Committee 2002 Report to the Attorney General*.

Motion agreed to.

Bill (No. 67) intituled *Transportation Investment Act* was again committed.

In consideration of section 8 of Bill (No. 67) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—59

Falcon	Thorpe	Harris	Bhullar
Coell	Murray	Nuraney	Wong
Hogg	Plant	Bell	Visser
L. Reid	Collins	Long	MacKay
Halsey-Brandt	Clark	Mayencourt	Cobb
Hawkins	Bond	Johnston	K. Stewart
Whittred	de Jong	Bennett	Bloy
J. Reid	Abbott	Belsey	Brice
Bruce	Neufeld	Hayer	Sultan
van Dongen	Coleman	Christensen	Hamilton
Barisoff	Chong	Krueger	Sahota
Nettleton	Penner	McMahon	Hawes
Roddick	Jarvis	Bray	Manhas
Wilson	Anderson	Les	Hunter
Lee	Orr	Nijjar	

NAYS—2

MacPhail Kwan

Bill (No. 67) was reported complete without amendment.

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 67) a debate arose.

Ms. MacPhail moved the following amendment—

That the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 67) be amended by deleting the word “now” and substituting therefore the words “six months hence.”

The amendment was negated on the following division:

YEAS—2

MacPhail

Kwan

NAYS—58

Falcon

Thorpe

Orr

Nijjar

Coell

Murray

Harris

Wong

Hogg

Plant

Nuraney

Visser

L. Reid

Collins

Bell

MacKay

Halsey-Brandt

Clark

Long

Cobb

Hawkins

Bond

Mayencourt

K. Stewart

Whittred

de Jong

Johnston

Bloy

J. Reid

Stephens

Bennett

Brice

Bruce

Abbott

Belsey

Sultan

van Dongen

Neufeld

Hayer

Hamilton

Barisoff

Coleman

Christensen

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Chong

Krueger

Hawes

Roddick

Penner

Bray

Manhas

Wilson

Jarvis

Les

Hunter

Lee

Anderson

The debate was resumed on the main motion.

Bill (No. 67) intituled *Transportation Investment Act* read a third time and passed, on division.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 70) intituled *Residential Tenancy Act* a debate arose.

Mr. *MacKay* advised the Speaker that pursuant to section 10 (1) of the *Members' Conflict of Interest Act*, he would withdraw from the debate on Bill (No. 70).

Mr. *Wong* advised the Speaker that pursuant to section 10 (1) of the *Members' Conflict of Interest Act*, he would withdraw from the debate on Bill (No. 70).

On the motion of the Hon. *R. Coleman* the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 11.56 a.m.

Thursday, October 31, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *G. Plant* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Treaty Negotiations) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 72) intituled *Lobbyists Registration Amendment Act, 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 31, 2002.

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 “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

By leave, Ms. *MacPhail* tabled a document from the Stanford University.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 70) intituled *Residential Tenancy Act*.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—41

<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Cobb</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Thorpe</i>			

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

Bill (No. 70) 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. 71) intituled *Manufactured Home Park Tenancy Act*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 71) 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. 68) intituled *Vital Statistics Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 68) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

The Speaker declared a short recess.

Her 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 Acts:

Bill (No. 47) *Business Corporations Act*.

Bill (No. 59) *Election Statutes Amendment Act, 2002*.

Bill (No. 60) *Health Authorities Amendment Act, 2002*.

Bill (No. 61) *Drinking Water Protection Amendment Act, 2002*.

Bill (No. 62) *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 3), 2002*.

Bill (No. 63) *Workers Compensation Amendment Act (No. 2), 2002*.

Bill (No. 64) *Human Rights Code Amendment Act, 2002*.

Bill (No. 65) *Community Services Interim Authorities Act*.

Bill (No. 66) *Public Sector Employers Amendment Act, 2002*.

Bill (No. 67) *Transportation Investment Act*.

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

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

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

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

And then the House adjourned at 5.36 p.m.

Monday, November 4, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by the Hon. *G. Cheema*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for "Private Members' Statements" called.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. M 204) intituled *The Hunting and Fishing Heritage Act*.

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

The Hon. *K. Falcon*, pursuant to Standing Order 31 (1), requested that Motions 1 through 14 standing on the Order Paper be allowed to stand and retain their precedence.

18 Mr. *R. Stewart* moved —

Be it resolved that this House supports reducing the regulatory burden on BC Business that impedes economic growth and job creation.

On the motion of Mr. *R. Stewart* the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 11.56 a.m.

Monday, November 4, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *K. Whittred* (Minister of State for Intermediate, Long Term and Home Care) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 73) intituled *Community Care and Assisted Living Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
November 1, 2002.

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.

By notice from the Minister to the Table, Bill (No. 16) intituled *Community Care Facility Act* was withdrawn from the Order Paper.

The Hon. *M. de Jong* (Minister of Forests) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 74) intituled *Forest and Range Practices Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
November 1, 2002.

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 "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *G. Collins* (Minister of Finance) tabled the Report of Guarantees and Indemnities Authorized and Issued for the Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2002.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Bill (No. 70) intituled *Residential Tenancy Act* was committed.

Ms. *Kwan* moved an amendment to section 2 of Bill (No. 70) which was defeated, on division.

Ms. *Kwan* moved an amendment to section 4 of Bill (No. 70) which was defeated, on division.

Section 4 of Bill (No. 70) passed, on division.

Ms. *Kwan* moved 2 amendments to section 6 (3) of Bill (No. 70) which were defeated, on division.

Section 6 of Bill (No. 70) passed, on division.

Ms. *Kwan* moved an amendment to section 9 (4) of Bill (No. 70) which was defeated, on division.

Ms. *Kwan* moved 2 amendments to section 13 of Bill (No. 70) which were defeated, on division.

Section 13 of Bill (No. 70) passed, on division.

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

The House recessed until 6.35 p.m.

Bill (No. 68) intituled *Vital Statistics Amendment Act, 2002* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 69) intituled *Open Learning Agency Repeal Act*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—35

Hogg
Halsey-Brandt
Whittred
Cheema
J. Reid
Santori
Barisoff
Nettleton
Wilson

Lee
Collins
Clark
Bond
Stephens
Neufeld
Jarvis
Anderson
Orr

Harris
Bell
Mayencourt
Bennett
Christensen
McMahon
Bray
Locke
Wong

Lekstrom
Cobb
Bloy
Brice
Hamilton
Hawes
Kerr
Hunter

NAYS—2

MacPhail

Kwan

Bill (No. 69) read a second time and *Ordered* to be place on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

And then the House adjourned at 7.31 p.m.

Tuesday, November 5, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Krueger*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 73) intituled *Community Care and Assisted Living Act*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.56 a.m.

Tuesday, November 5, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 73) intituled *Community Care and Assisted Living Act*.

The debate continued.

Bill (No. 73) 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. 69) intituled *Open Learning Agency Repeal Act* was committed and reported complete without amendment.

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 69) the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—49

Coell
Hogg
Halsey-Brandt
Hawkins
Whittred
Cheema
Hansen
J. Reid
Santori
van Dongen
Barisoff
Nettleton
Roddick

Wilson
Masi
Lee
Thorpe
Murray
Collins
Clark
Bond
de Jong
Stephens
Neufeld
Chong

Penner
Jarvis
Anderson
Orr
Harris
Chutter
Long
Mayencourt
Trumper
Johnston
Bennett
Belsey

McMahon
Bray
Les
Locke
Lekstrom
MacKay
Cobb
K. Stewart
Suffredine
Brice
Sahota
Hunter

NAYS—2

MacPhail

Kwan

Bill (No. 69) was read a third time and passed.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 74) intituled *Forest and Range Practices Act*, a debate arose.

On the motion of the Hon. *M. de Jong* the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 6.00 p.m.

Wednesday, November 6, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Belsey*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 74) intituled *Forest and Range Practices Act*.

The debate continued.

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

The House recessed until 6.35 p.m.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 74) intituled *Forest and Range Practices Act*.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 8.56 p.m.

Thursday, November 7, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *K. Stewart*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 74) intituled *Forest and Range Practices Act*.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.54 a.m.

Thursday, November 7, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

The House observed a minute of silence in honour of our veterans.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. *K. Stewart* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Crown Corporations for the Third Session of the Thirty-seventh Parliament.

The Report was taken as read and received.

By leave of the House, Mr. *K. Stewart* moved that the Report be adopted.

Motion agreed to.

Mr. Penner presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:

REPORT

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM
NOVEMBER 7, 2002

HONOURABLE SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills begs leave to report as follows:

That Bill (No. Pr 403) intituled *Hansler Ozone Canada Inc. (Corporate Restoration) Act, 2002* and Bill (No. Pr 404) intituled *Gold Standard Resources Ltd. (Corporate Restoration) Act, 2002* be considered, notwithstanding the filing of materials occurred later than 14 days after the beginning of the Session in light of the House sitting after the summer adjournment.

That the preamble to Bill (No. Pr 403) intituled *Hansler Ozone Canada Inc. (Corporate Restoration) Act, 2002* has been proved, and the Committee recommends that the Bill proceed to Second Reading.

That the preamble to Bill (No. Pr 404) intituled *Gold Standard Resources Ltd. (Corporation Restoration) Act, 2002* has been proved, and the Committee recommends that the Bill proceed to Second Reading.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

B. PENNER, *Chair*

The report was taken as read and received.

By leave of the House, Mr. Penner moved that the Report be adopted.

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 74) intituled *Forest and Range Practices Act*.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—41

Coell
Halsey-Brandt
Hawkins
Whittred
Cheema
Hansen
J. Reid
Santori
Barisoff
Nettleton
Collins

Clark
de Jong
Nebbeling
Stephens
Neufeld
Coleman
Chong
Jarvis
Orr
Harris

Nuraney
Bell
Chutter
Long
Bennett
Belsey
Hayer
Christensen
Krueger
McMahon

Bray
Les
MacKay
Cobb
K. Stewart
Brice
Hamilton
Sahota
Hawes
Kerr

NAYS—2

MacPhail

Kwan

Bill (No. 74) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 70) intituled *Residential Tenancy Act* was again committed.

Section 14 of Bill (No. 70) passed, 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 6.00 p.m.

PUBLIC WRITTEN QUESTIONS

13 Louise Scott, Chairperson, Quesnel School District, to ask the Hon. the Premier and the Hon. the Minister of Education, the following question:—

The communiqué regarding Safe Schools Task Force states “the Government recognizes that education is the cornerstone of our society”. During the election campaign, the Liberal Party promised to protect education funding. Government subsequently legislated a salary increase and failed to fund that salary increase. Our Teachers’ Association recently submitted a list of classes whose size exceeds last year’s Collective Agreement limits. Next year’s legislated salary increase will continue to erode educational programs.

Our question is, “Why won’t this Government live up to its election promise and fund the legislated salary increase?”

The Hon. C. Clark replied as follows:

Thank you for your question submitted through the Office of the Speaker as a Public Written Question.

Our government’s *New Era* promise was to protect education funding. We have done that, even while reducing spending elsewhere to restore fiscal responsibility to British Columbia. Government will spend \$4.8 billion on Kindergarten to Grade 12 education this year. That’s \$20 million more than last year — despite the fact we have declining enrolment across the province.

Although the decision to legislate a 7.5 percent increase for teachers was not a perfect solution, failing to give teachers a fair raise would have had a devastating impact on our education system. However, given the tremendous financial constraints currently facing government, it was not possible to fund the entire cost of the legislated contract. The increases for the second and third years of the teachers’ contract will have to be managed by school boards within the constraints of their operating budgets. Recognizing that funding part of the contract would create a new cost pressure for school districts, government provided school districts with significant new tools to manage these costs.

Our bottom line is improving individual student performance — and that’s what we are focusing on. There are many factors that affect student performance like parental involvement, leadership from our principals and effective teachers. We are focused on:

- Improving province-wide evaluation of student achievement through measures like the Foundation Skills Assessment and provincial exams.
- Ensuring school boards are accountable for student achievement by requiring districts to sign accountability contracts.

- Establishing individual school planning councils to develop and implement plans for improving student achievement.

We have also given school boards more autonomy and control over how they deliver education services, so that they can put resources into areas they identify as priorities. I know school boards are working hard to ensure resources go first and foremost into the classroom.

Monday, November 18, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Les*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for "Private Members' Statements" called.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. M 204) intituled *The Hunting and Fishing Heritage Act*.

Bill (No. M 204) 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. *G. Abbott*, pursuant to Standing Order 31 (1), requested that Motion 5 standing on the Order Paper be allowed to stand and retain its precedence.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on Motion 18.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.58 a.m.

Monday, November 18, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *M. de Jong* (Minister of Forests) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 75) intituled *Forests Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2002* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House
November 15, 2002

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. *M. de Jong* (Minister of Forests) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 76) intituled *College of Applied Biology Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House
November 15, 2002

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. *R. Coleman* (Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 77) intituled *Acting Police Complaint Commissioner Continuation Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House
November 18, 2002

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 "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. *Lekstrom* presented the First Report of the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services for the Third Session of the Thirty-seventh Parliament.

The Report was taken as read and received.

By leave of the House, Mr. *Lekstrom* moved that the Report be adopted.

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *G. Bruce* (Minister of Skills Development and Labour) tabled the Ministry of Skills Development and Labour Annual Report, 2001/02.

The Hon. *G. Plant* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Treaty Negotiations) tabled the Public Guardian and Trustee of British Columbia Annual Report, 2001-2002.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 70) intituled *Residential Tenancy Act* was again committed.

In consideration of section 18 of Bill (No. 70) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—64

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Masi</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Locke</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Nettleton</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Hunter</i>

NAYS—3

<i>MacPhail</i>	<i>Kwan</i>	<i>Johnston</i>
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A proposed amendment by Ms. *Kwan* on the Order Paper to section 19 of Bill (No. 70) was defeated, on division.

Section 19, as amended, of Bill (No. 70) passed, on division.

A proposed amendment by Ms. *Kwan* on the Order Paper to section 23 (4) of Bill (No. 70) was defeated, on division.

Ms. *Kwan* moved an amendment to section 23 (5) of Bill (No. 70) which was defeated, on division.

A proposed amendment by Ms. *Kwan* on the Order Paper to section 23 (7) of Bill (No. 70) was defeated, on division.

Ms. *Kwan* moved an amendment to add section 23 (8) to Bill (No. 70) which was defeated, on division.

Ms. *Kwan* moved an amendment to add section 23 (9) to Bill (No. 70) which was defeated, on division.

Section 23 of Bill (No. 70) passed, on division.

Proposed amendments (2) by Ms. *Kwan* on the Order Paper to section 24 of Bill (No. 70) were defeated, on division.

A proposed amendment by Ms. *Kwan* on the Order Paper to section 27 of Bill (No. 70) was defeated, on division.

In consideration of section 27 of Bill (No. 70) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—64

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Campbell</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Murray</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Locke</i>	<i>Hunter</i>

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

A proposed amendment by Ms. *Kwan* on the Order Paper to section 29 of Bill (No. 70) was defeated on the following division:

YEAS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

NAYS—64

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Campbell</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Locke</i>	<i>Hunter</i>

Section 29 of Bill (No. 70) passed on the following division:

YEAS—64

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Campbell</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Locke</i>	<i>Hunter</i>

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

The Committee recessed until 6.35 p.m.

A proposed amendment by Ms. *Kwan* on the Order Paper to section 35 of Bill (No. 70) was defeated, on division.

Section 35 of Bill (No. 70) passed, on division.

Section 36 of Bill (No. 70) passed, on division.

A proposed amendment by Ms. *Kwan* on the Order Paper to section 37 of Bill (No. 70) was defeated, on division.

Section 38 of Bill (No. 70) passed, on division.

Section 39 of Bill (No. 70) passed, on division.

Section 40 of Bill (No. 70) passed, on division.

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 74) intituled *Forest and Range Practices Act* was committed.

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 8.59 p.m.

PUBLIC WRITTEN QUESTIONS

Date entered on Order Paper: November 4, 2002

12 Gary Coons, President, Prince Rupert Teachers' Union, to ask the Hon. the Minister of Finance, regarding the Minister's responsibility for taxation, the following question:—

When will the Minister announce that the \$20 million raised by the 2% school tax increase be put into education and not remain in general revenues?

The Hon. *G. Collins* replied as follows:

Thank you for your November 4, 2002 e-mail regarding residential school taxes.

Generally speaking, all of the provincial revenue collected from the school tax goes into the education system. School taxes account for only 28 per cent of total education funding provided by the provincial government.

For the Prince Rupert school district, government collects about \$6.7 million (before subtracting home-owner grants) in residential and non-residential school taxes annually. In return, government will provide an estimated \$24.7 million in total to the school district.

Until 2002, average residential school taxes were frozen at 1994 levels.

This year's two per cent school tax increase — about \$1.67 per month for a medium-sized home — was an inflation adjustment. School tax rates need to be adjusted periodically or else the value of this revenue stream to the education system erodes.

School funding is determined by a population-based formula that recognizes actual enrolment and unique geographic characteristics, and gives school districts more flexibility to focus on the priority services and programs students need.

In addition, this government is meeting its *New Era* commitment to protect education funding despite declining enrolment in the K-12 sector. To help trustees manage cost pressures, we have given them significant new tools, like increased autonomy and the flexibility of a new education funding system, and encouraged them to develop cost-effective and creative ways to deliver educational services. Funding levels will be increased when our economy recovers and provincial revenues grow.

Again, thank-you for bringing your concerns to my attention.

15 Barry J. Janyk, Mayor, Town of Gibsons, to ask the Hon. the Minister of Transportation, regarding the Minister's responsibility for BC Ferries, the following question:—

With regard to the Integrated Transportation Study, is BC Ferries part of the study and, if so, will the issues of ticketing, transfers and discounts be reviewed?

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

I am writing in response to your public written question of October 7, 2002, regarding the Provincial Strategic Transportation Plan.

Thank you for your question submitted through the Office of the Speaker as a public written question. The Ministry of Transportation is committed to creating a Provincial Strategic Transportation Plan that incorporates all modes of transport and provides a strong foundation for economic growth.

The Premier has asked the Ministry of Transportation to examine British Columbia's infrastructure and transportation system and provide a high level strategic plan. The Provincial Strategic Transportation Plan will be multi-modal in nature and therefore will include B.C. Ferries. Day-to-day operations, such as ticketing, transfers and discounts, will not be part of the analysis.

As you may be aware, B.C. Ferries is currently engaged in a review of its mandate and services by the government's Core Review Task Force. This process is examining different aspects of B.C. Ferries as we seek to deliver the highest level of customer service at the lowest cost to taxpayers and ferry users. As a follow-up to its last presentation to the committee, B.C. Ferries has been asked to undertake further analysis. It is my hope that this review will be complete by the end of this fiscal year.

Thank you for taking time to write.

17 Margaret Robb, Community Partner Member, Regional Child Care Council of Capital Regional District, to ask the Hon. the Minister of Human Resources, regarding the Minister's responsibility for Child Care Subsidy (Medical), the following question:—

Since April 2002, over 100 single parents have been denied access to child care subsidy because of the parent's medical issues. One example is a single parent who was not able to afford child care while attending cancer treatments. Why is a single parent who is undergoing medical treatment deemed not able to have medical child care?

The Hon. *M. Coell* replied as follows:

In response to your Public Written Question, I am pleased to inform you that, effective November 8, 2002, an Order-in-Council was deposited that will provide eligibility for child care subsidy to a single parent who 'has a medical condition that interferes with the parent's ability to care for his or her child'. The individual whose situation you cite would certainly appear to be eligible for subsidy under this amended regulation, as would many of the other single parents you refer to.

Thank you for raising this issue.

Tuesday, November 19, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Ms. *Roddick*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

By leave, the Hon. *G. Plant* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Treaty Negotiations) tabled the following documents:

Opinion of the Conflict of Interest Commissioner pursuant to section 19 (3) of the *Members' Conflict of Interest Act*, dated January 25, 2001, in the Matter of an Application by the Executive Council and an Inquiry pursuant to section 21 of the *Members' Conflict of Interest Act* with regard to The Honourable Glen Clark, MLA;

Letter from the Conflict of Interest Commissioner to Gillian Wallace, Q.C., dated January 25, 2001; and

Indemnity Agreement granted by Her Majesty the Queen in right of the Province of British Columbia, dated March 5, 1999.

Bill (No. 74) intituled *Forest and Range Practices Act* was again committed.

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

Tuesday, November 19, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *J. Murray* (Minister of Water, Land and Air Protection) tabled the Environmental Appeal Board Annual Report, 2001/02.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 74) intituled *Forest and Range Practices Act* was again committed.

In consideration of section 5 of Bill (No. 74) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—51

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Hogg</i>	<i>Masi</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Neufeld</i>	<i>Bray</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Locke</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>	

NAYS—2

<i>MacPhail</i>	<i>Kwan</i>
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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 5.58 p.m.

Wednesday, November 20, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Hon. *R. Neufeld*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

The Hon. *S. Hagen* (Minister of Sustainable Resource Management) tabled the Land and Water British Columbia, Inc. Service Plan Report, 2001/02.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. Pr 403) intituled *Hansler Ozone Canada Inc. (Corporate Restoration) Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. Pr 403) 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. Pr 404) intituled *Gold Standard Resources Ltd. (Corporate Restoration) Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. Pr 404) 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. 77) intituled *Acting Police Complaint Commissioner Continuation Act*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 77) 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. 72) intituled *Lobbyists Registration Amendment Act, 2002*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 72) 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. 74) intituled *Forest and Range Practices Act* was again committed.

In consideration of section 46 of Bill (No. 74) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—48

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Locke</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>	<i>Hunter</i>

NAYS—2

<i>MacPhail</i>	<i>Kwan</i>
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The Committee recessed until 6.35 p.m.

In consideration of section 72 of Bill (No. 74) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—41

<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Barisoff</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Brice</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Les</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Murray</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Locke</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Plant</i>			

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

Bill (No. 74) 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. 76) intituled *College of Applied Biology Act*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 76) 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. 75) intituled *Forests Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2002*, a debate arose.

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

And then the House adjourned at 8.56 p.m.

Thursday, November 21, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Anderson*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 70) intituled *Residential Tenancy Act* was again committed.

A proposed amendment by Ms. *Kwan* on the Order Paper to section 43 (1) of Bill (No. 70) was defeated on the following division:

YEAS—2

*MacPhail**Kwan*

NAYS—50

*Falcon**Lee**Orr**Bray**Hogg**Hagen**Nuraney**Les**Halsey-Brandt**Murray**Brenzinger**Locke**Hawkins**Plant**R. Stewart**Nijjar**Whittred**Collins**Chutter**Bloy**Cheema**de Jong**Long**Suffredine**Hansen**Nebbeling**Mayencourt**Brice**Bruce**Stephens**Johnston**Sultan**Santori**Coleman**Bennett**Sahota**van Dongen**Chong**Christensen**Hawes**Barisoff**Penner**Krueger**Kerr**Roddick**Jarvis**McMahon**Hunter**Masi**Anderson*

A proposed amendment by Ms. *Kwan* on the Order Paper to section 43 (2) of Bill (No. 70) was defeated on the following division:

YEAS—2

*MacPhail**Kwan*

NAYS—50

*Falcon**Lee**Orr**Bray**Hogg**Hagen**Nuraney**Les**Halsey-Brandt**Murray**Brenzinger**Locke**Hawkins**Plant**R. Stewart**Nijjar**Whittred**Collins**Chutter**Bloy**Cheema**de Jong**Long**Suffredine**Hansen**Nebbeling**Mayencourt**Brice**Bruce**Stephens**Johnston**Sultan**Santori**Coleman**Bennett**Sahota**van Dongen**Chong**Christensen**Hawes**Barisoff**Penner**Krueger**Kerr**Roddick**Jarvis**McMahon**Hunter**Masi**Anderson*

In consideration of section 43 of Bill (No. 70) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—50

*Falcon**Lee**Orr**Bray**Hogg**Hagen**Nuraney**Les**Halsey-Brandt**Murray**Brenzinger**Locke**Hawkins**Plant**R. Stewart**Nijjar**Whittred**Collins**Chutter**Bloy**Cheema**de Jong**Long**Suffredine**Hansen**Nebbeling**Mayencourt**Brice**Bruce**Stephens**Johnston**Sultan**Santori**Coleman**Bennett**Sahota**van Dongen**Chong**Christensen**Hawes**Barisoff**Penner**Krueger**Kerr**Roddick**Jarvis**McMahon**Hunter**Masi**Anderson*

NAYS—2

*MacPhail**Kwan*

A proposed amendment by Ms. *Kwan* on the Order Paper to section 46 (4) of Bill (No. 70) 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 11.59 a.m.

Thursday, November 21, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. *Nuraney* presented the Report of the Special Committee to Appoint a Police Complaint Commissioner.

The report was taken as read and received.

By leave of the House, Mr. *Nuraney* moved that the Report be adopted.

Motion agreed to.

By leave, Mr. *Nuraney* moved—

That this House recommend to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor the appointment of Mr. Dirk Ryneveld as a statutory Officer of the Legislature, to exercise the powers and duties assigned to the Police Complaint Commissioner for the province of British Columbia pursuant to Part 9 of the *Police Act* [RSBC 1996] c. 367.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. Pr 403) intituled *Hansler Ozone Canada Inc. (Corporate Restoration) Act, 2002*, was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. Pr 404) intituled *Gold Standard Resources Ltd. (Corporate Restoration) Act, 2002*, was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 74) intituled *Forest and Range Practices Act* was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 72) intituled *Lobbyist Registration Amendment Act, 2002*, was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 77) intituled *Acting Police Complaint Commissioner Continuation Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 76) intituled *College of Applied Biology Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 75) intituled *Forest Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2002*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 75) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 73) intituled *Community Care and Assisted Living Act* was committed.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.
Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

The Speaker declared a short recess.

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

Robert Vaive, Esq., Clerk Assistant, read the title to the following Acts:

Bill (No. 68) *Vital Statistics Amendment Act, 2002*.

Bill (No. 69) *Open Learning Agency Repeal Act*.

Bill (No. 72) *Lobbyists Registration Amendment Act, 2002*.

Bill (No. 74) *Forest and Range Practices Act*.

Bill (No. 76) *College of Applied Biology Act*.

Bill (No. 77) *Acting Police Complaint Commissioner Continuation Act*.

Bill (No. Pr 403) *Hansler Ozone Canada Inc. (Corporate Restoration) Act, 2002*.

Bill (No. Pr 404) *Gold Standard Resources Ltd. (Corporate Restoration) Act, 2002*.

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

The said assent was announced by *Ian D. Izard*, Esq., Law Clerk and Clerk Assistant in the following words:

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

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

And then the House adjourned at 5.55 p.m.

PUBLIC WRITTEN QUESTIONS

Date entered on Order Paper: November 18, 2002

16 Gary Coons, President, Prince Rupert Teachers' Union, to ask the Hon. the Minister of Education, regarding the Minister's responsibility for class sizes and averages, the following question:—

Prince Rupert District has an aggregate average of over 22.79 for grades 4-12. This includes the village schools. In town, the grades 4-7 is over 27 with no regards for students with special needs. The grades 1-3 is 21.73 (over the legislation). Will the minister consider rural make-up in the averages, so in-town classes are educationally sound?

The Hon. *C. Clark* replied as follows:

Thank you for your question regarding class sizes.

As you know, the *School Act* was amended in January 2002 to make class size a matter of public policy and enshrined class size limits in legislation.

For the first time in B.C.'s history, there are caps on individual classes and district-wide averages. Individual primary classes cannot exceed 22 students for kindergarten and 24 students for grades 1–3. District wide class size averages have been restricted to 19 students in kindergarten, 21 students in grades 1–3 and 30 students in grades 4–12.

By the Prince Rupert School District's own declaration, class sizes are well within both the class size restrictions for individual primary classes and district wide averages. The school district has reported class size averages across the district to be the following: 16.8 students in kindergarten, 20.9 students in Grades 1-3, 23.3 students in Grades 4-7, and 22.7 students in Grades 4-12.

There is no provision in the legislation for calculating averages for parts of the district or for individual schools. As well, school districts have been given the flexibility to decide appropriate class sizes on a school-by-school, class-by-class basis, provided they adhere to legislated class size limits. School districts make these decisions based on the best interests of students in their schools.

Our number one goal for the education system is to improve individual student performance — and that's what we're focusing on. We believe class size is only one component of student achievement.

Monday, November 25, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by the Hon. S. Santori.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order for "Private Members' Statements" called.

Bill (No. M 204) intituled *The Hunting and Fishing Heritage Act* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed, on division.

The Hon. M. de Jong, pursuant to Standing Order 31 (2), requested that Motion 5 standing on the Order Paper be allowed to stand and retain its precedence.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on Motion 18.

Motion agreed to.

And then the House adjourned at 11.55 a.m.

Monday, November 25, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. M. de Jong (Minister of Forests) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 78) intituled *Foresters Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
November 25, 2002.

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. van Dongen* (Minister of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

IONA CAMPAGNOLO
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 79) intituled *Agrologists Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
November 25, 2002.

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 "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 73) intituled *Community Care and Assisted Living Act* was again committed.

Ms. *Kwan* reserved her right to raise a matter of privilege.

Bill (No. 73) was reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 70) intituled *Residential Tenancy Act* was again committed.

The Committee recessed until 6.30 p.m.

A proposed amendment by Ms. *Kwan* on the Order Paper to section 46 of Bill (No. 70) was defeated, on division.

Section 46 of Bill (No. 70) passed, on division.

A proposed amendment by Ms. *Kwan* on the Order Paper to section 47 of Bill (No. 70) was defeated, on division.

A proposed amendment by Ms. *Kwan* on the Order Paper to section 47 (1) (e) of Bill (No. 70) was defeated, on division.

A proposed amendment by Ms. *Kwan* on the Order Paper to section 47 (1) (g) of Bill (No. 70) was defeated, on division.

Section 47 of Bill (No. 70) passed, on division.

A proposed amendment by Ms. *Kwan* on the Order Paper to section 49 (6) (b) of Bill (No. 70) was defeated, on division.

Section 49 of Bill (No. 70) passed, on division.

A proposed amendment by Ms. *Kwan* on the Order Paper to section 51 of Bill (No. 70) was defeated, on division.

A proposed amendment by Ms. *Kwan* on the Order Paper to section 55 of Bill (No. 70) was defeated, on division.

Section 55 of Bill (No. 70) passed, on division.

Section 63 of Bill (No. 70) passed, on division.

Section 69 of Bill (No. 70) passed, 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 8.54 p.m.

Tuesday, November 26, 2002

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by the Hon. *J. van Dongen*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

45 The Hon. *G. Plant* moved —

That this House recommend to the Lieutenant Governor in Council, pursuant to section 14 of the *Members' Conflict of Interest Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 287, the appointment of the Hon. H.A.D. Oliver as Commissioner.

A debate arose.

The House divided.

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

YEAS—65

<i>Coell</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
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<i>Murray</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Locke</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Plant</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>	<i>Manhas</i>
<i>Collins</i>			

Bill (No. 70) intituled *Residential Tenancy Act* was again committed and reported complete with amendment.

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 70) the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division.

YEAS—64

<i>Coell</i>	<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>L. Reid</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Les</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Locke</i>
<i>Hawkins</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
<i>Santori</i>	<i>Stephens</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>Suffredine</i>
<i>van Dongen</i>	<i>Abbott</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Brice</i>
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<i>Bray</i>	<i>Chong</i>	<i>Belsey</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Roddick</i>	<i>Penner</i>	<i>Hayer</i>	<i>Sahota</i>
<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Jarvis</i>	<i>Christensen</i>	<i>Hawes</i>
<i>Masi</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Krueger</i>	<i>Kerr</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Orr</i>	<i>McMahon</i>	<i>Manhas</i>

NAYS—1

MacPhail

By leave, Bill (No. 70) read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 71) intituled *Manufactured Home Park Tenancy Act* was committed.

Section 18, as amended, of Bill (No. 71) passed, 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 11.59 a.m.

Tuesday, November 26, 2002

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Ms. *MacPhail* tabled a petition regarding the culling or contraception of wolves and cougars on Vancouver Island.

Ms. *Trumper* tabled a petition regarding the culling or contraception of wolves and cougars on Vancouver Island.

The Hon. *J. Reid* (Minister of Transportation) tabled the BCR Group Annual Report, 2001.

The Hon. *R. Coleman* (Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General) tabled the British Columbia Racing Commission Annual Report 2001/2002.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 71) intituled *Manufactured Home Park Tenancy Act* was again committed.

Section 34 of Bill (No. 71) passed, on division.

Ms. *Kwan* moved an amendment to section 35 of Bill (No. 71) which was defeated, on division.

Section 35 of Bill (No. 71) passed, on division.

Section 36 of Bill (No. 71) passed, on division.

Section 40 of Bill (No. 71) passed, on division.

Bill (No. 71) was reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 75) intituled *Forests Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2002* was committed.

Section 37 of Bill (No. 75) passed, on division.

In consideration of section 54 of Bill (No. 75) the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS—67

<i>Falcon</i>	<i>Hagen</i>	<i>Nuraney</i>	<i>Bhullar</i>
<i>Coell</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Brenzinger</i>	<i>Wong</i>
<i>Halsey-Brandt</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>R. Stewart</i>	<i>Visser</i>
<i>Whittred</i>	<i>Collins</i>	<i>Bell</i>	<i>Lekstrom</i>
<i>Cheema</i>	<i>Clark</i>	<i>Chutter</i>	<i>MacKay</i>
<i>Hansen</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Mayencourt</i>	<i>Cobb</i>
<i>J. Reid</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Trumper</i>	<i>K. Stewart</i>
<i>Bruce</i>	<i>Nebbeling</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Bloy</i>
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<i>Thorpe</i>	<i>Harris</i>	<i>Nijjar</i>	

NAYS—2

MacPhail *Kwan*

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

The Speaker declared a short recess.

Her 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 Acts:

Bill (No. 70) *Residential Tenancy Act*.

Bill (No. 71) *Manufactured Home Park Tenancy Act*.

Bill (No. 73) *Community Care and Assisted Living Act*.

Bill (No. 75) *Forests Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2002*.

Bill (No. M 204) *Hunting and Fishing Heritage Act*.

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

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

“In Her Majesty's name, Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor doth assent to these Acts.”

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

The Hon. *G. Collins* 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 Third Session of the Thirty-seventh 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 5.12 p.m.

PUBLIC WRITTEN QUESTIONS

18 Al Klassen, President, Richmond Teachers' Association, to ask the Hon. the Minister of Education, regarding the Minister's responsibility for Public Education, the following question:—

Now that school districts are entering into corporate sponsorships, how much influence would you allow the corporate sponsor to have over school board policies?

The Hon. *C. Clark* replied as follows:

Thank you for your question regarding corporate partnerships in schools.

We want to ensure we are delivering education services in the most efficient and effective way possible.

In our *New Era* document, we promised to restore local autonomy and professional decision-making on educational issues to school boards.

School boards are encouraged to find innovative solutions to building and managing capital projects to maximize the dollars that are available to put into the classroom. Policies, guiding principles, and decisions regarding corporate partnerships are made by individual school boards.

I believe that local school boards, administrators and parents will make decisions around corporate partnerships that are in the best interest of students.

19 Al Klassen, President, Richmond Teachers' Association, to ask the Hon. the Minister of Education, regarding the Minister's responsibility for Public Education, the following question:—

Given the number of teachers that have been taken out of the classroom, how are the remaining teachers expected to meet accountability requirements and improve student performance?

The Hon. *C. Clark* replied as follows:

This government has been working to improve school and school district accountability in the education system to ensure student achievement goals are met.

School districts are now required to develop Accountability Contracts that outline key priorities and measurable goals for improvement. These contracts will be made public, so parents and other education partners can see the kind of challenges each district is facing and celebrate the progress they're making in reaching their goals.

Another accountability measure is School Planning Councils. Every school in B.C. will have an SPC by 2003/2004 that will consult with the school community in developing, monitoring, and reviewing school plans for improving student achievement. SPC are comprised of parents, students, the school principal, and a teacher.

In addition, District Review Teams, which include parents, educators, and ministry staff, will review the district accountability contract, school plans, and local district and school performance data every four years. The review team will provide a report to the school board and to the ministry. The report will include observations and recommendations and will be available to the public.

Teachers, along with parents, students and administrators, play a key role in reaching our collective goal of continuing to provide a quality education for B.C. students.

Tuesday, February 11, 2003

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. *Krueger*.

The Hon. *C. Richmond* (Speaker) tabled the following documents:

Auditor General 2002/2003: Report 5 — Managing Contaminated Sites on Provincial Lands;

Auditor General 2002/2003: Report 6 — Review of Estimates Related to Vancouver's Bid to Stage the 2010 Olympic Winter Games and Paralympic Winter Games;

Auditor General 2002/2003: Report 7 — Building Better Reports: Our Review of the 2001/2002 Reports of Government; and

Auditor General 2002/2003: Report 8 — Follow-up of Performance Reports.

The Hon. *G. Collins* (Minister of Finance) tabled the Statement of Crown Proceeding Payments for the Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2002.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

By leave, the Hon. *G. Collins* moved —

That the Standing Orders of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia be amended as follows for the duration of the Fourth Session of the Thirty-seventh Parliament, commencing February 11, 2003:

1. That Standing Order 2 be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

Sittings

Daily sittings.

2. (1) The time for the ordinary meeting of the House shall, unless otherwise ordered, be as follows:

Monday:	Two distinct sittings: 10 a.m. to 12 noon 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. effective March 3, 2003
Tuesday:	Two distinct sittings: 10 a.m. to 12 noon 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Wednesday:	2 p.m. to 6 p.m. 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. effective March 3, 2003
Thursday:	Two distinct sittings: 10 a.m. to 12 noon 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

- (2) (a) During the Fourth Session of the Thirty-seventh Parliament, unless otherwise ordered, the House shall meet:

- (i) from February 11, 2003 to May 29, 2003 inclusive
and

- (ii) from October 6, 2003 to November 27, 2003 inclusive

- (b) The House shall stand adjourned during the weeks of March 17, April 14 and 21, May 19, October 13 and November 10, 2003.

2. That Standing Order 3 be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

Hour of interruption.

3. If at the hour of 6 p.m. (or 9 p.m. after March 3, 2003) on any Monday; 6 p.m. on Tuesday; 6 p.m. (or 9 p.m. after March 3, 2003) on Wednesday; or 6 p.m. on Thursday, the business of the day is not concluded and no other hour has been agreed on for the next sitting, the Speaker shall leave the Chair:

On Monday	until 10 a.m. Tuesday
On Tuesday	until 2 p.m. Wednesday
On Wednesday	until 10 a.m. Thursday
On Thursday	until 10 a.m. Monday

subject to the provisions of Standing Order 2 (2) (b).

3. That Standing Order 25 be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

Routine Business

Daily routine.

25. The daily routine business of the House shall be as follows:

Prayers (morning or afternoon sitting)

Introduction of Bills

Statements (Standing Order 25B) (afternoon sittings)

Oral question period (15 minutes, afternoon sittings: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday)

Presenting Petitions

Reading and Receiving Petitions

Presenting Reports by Committees

Motions on Notice

Written Questions on Notice

Proposed Amendments on Notice

Orders of the Day.

The order of business for consideration of the House day by day, after the above routine, shall, unless otherwise ordered, be as follows:

MONDAY

10 a.m. to 12 noon

(Private Members' Time)

Private Members' Statements (10 a.m.)

Public Bills in the hands of Private Members

Private Members' Motions

Private Bills

Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice

No division, on Orders of the Day, will be taken in the House or in Committee of the Whole during Private Members' Time, but where a division is requested, it will be deferred until thirty minutes prior to the ordinary time fixed for adjournment of the House on the Monday, unless otherwise ordered.

MONDAY (AFTERNOON), TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY

(Government Days)

Throne Speech Debate
 Budget Debate including Committee of Supply
 Public Bills and Orders and Government Motions on Notice
 Private Bills
 Public Bills in the hands of Private Members
 Adjourned debate on other motions

4. That Standing Order 25A be repealed and the following substituted therefor:

Private Members' Statements

Private Members' Statements.

- 25A.** (1) Every Monday at 10 a.m. four Private Members may make a statement, notice of which has been tabled no later than 6 p.m. the preceding Wednesday.
- (2) The order in which such statements are to be called shall be determined by lot by the Speaker, before appearing on the Orders of the Day.
- (3) The time allocated on Monday for statements and discussion thereon shall not exceed one hour, and the time for each statement shall be limited to 15 minutes as follows:
- Proponent: maximum of 7 minutes
 Any other Members: maximum of 5 minutes
 Proponent in reply: maximum of 3 minutes
- (4) Private Members' statements shall not be subject to amendment, adjournment or vote.
- (5) Statements and discussions under this Standing Order:
- (a) shall be confined to one matter;
 - (b) shall not revive discussion on a matter which has been discussed in the same Session;
 - (c) shall not anticipate a matter which has been previously appointed for consideration by the House, in respect to which a Notice of Motion has been previously given and not withdrawn;
 - (d) shall not raise a question of privilege.

5. That new Standing Order 25B be adopted:

Statements

Statements.

25B. Three Private Members shall be permitted a two minute statement each day immediately prior to Oral Question Period subject to the following guidelines:

- (1) A Member desiring to make a statement shall so advise his or her Whip 24 hours prior to the relevant day the statement is to be made.
- (2) Party Whips shall confer to settle the names of the three Members who will be recognised for "Statements" for the following sitting day and shall advise the Speaker by noon of the day in question as to who has been selected, together with the topic of the statement.
- (3) Statements under this Standing Order shall be subject to the ordinary parliamentary rules of decorum and debate.

6. That Standing Order 27 (2) and (3) be amended by deleting the word "Friday" wherever stated and substituting "Monday morning" so that it reads as follows:

Government orders.

- 27** (2) Whenever Government business has precedence, Government orders may be called in such sequence as the Government thinks fit, and the Government may place Government orders at the head of the list on every sitting except Monday morning.

Urgent Government business.

- 27** (3) Notwithstanding Standing Orders 25, 25A and 27 (2), urgent Government business may, with the consent of the Speaker, be considered on Monday morning, and given priority over any other business.

7. Oral Question period Friday.

47B. This Standing Order is repealed.

8. That new Standing Order 81.1 be adopted.

81.1 (1) When a Minister of the Crown, from his or her place in the House, states that there is agreement among the representatives of all parties to allot a specified number of days or hours to the proceedings at one or more stages of any public bill, the Minister may propose a motion, without notice, setting forth the terms of such agreed allocation; and the motion shall be decided forthwith, without debate or amendment.

(2) A Minister of the Crown who from his or her place in the House, has stated that an agreement could not be reached under the provisions of section (1) of this Standing Order in respect of proceedings at one or more stages of a public bill, may propose without notice a motion for the purpose of allotting a specified number of days or hours for the consideration and disposal of proceedings at one or more stages of a public bill. The motion shall be decided forthwith, without debate or amendment. Any proceedings interrupted pursuant to this section of this Standing Order shall be deemed adjourned.

Motion agreed to.

The Speaker declared a short recess.

The Honourable IONA V. CAMPAGNOLO, Lieutenant Governor of the Province, having entered the House, took her seat on the Throne, and was pleased to deliver the following gracious Speech:

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

In closing this Third Session of the Thirty-seventh Parliament of British Columbia, I wish to commend you on the accomplishments of the past year. This session has seen the passage of measures of wide-ranging and significant importance to the people of our Province. On behalf of all British Columbians, I wish to express my appreciation for the care and attention that you have given to your deliberations. I now relieve of your duties.

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

The Hon. G. Plant (Attorney General) then said:

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

It is Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor's will and pleasure that the Legislative Assembly be prorogued until 2 o'clock p.m. today and this Legislative Assembly is hereby prorogued accordingly.

The following Reports were received by the Office of the Clerk during adjournment:

BC Hydro Second Quarter Report for three months ended Sept. 30, 2002.

BC Hydro Finance Business Transformation Project Major Capital Project Plan, November 2002.

BC Hydro Northstar Project (Customer Information System Replacement) Major Capital Project Plan, November 2002.

Forest Practices Board — Audit of Forest Planning and Practices on Nisga'a Lands — January 2003.

Nisga'a Final Agreement 2001/2002 Annual Report.

Quarterly Report (Second Quarter April to September 2002).

And then the House prorogued at 10.11 a.m.

CLAUDE RICHMOND, *Speaker*

PUBLIC WRITTEN QUESTIONS

Date answered: November 27, 2002

21 Al Klassen, President, Richmond Teachers' Association, to ask the Hon. the Minister of Education, regarding the Minister's responsibility for Public Education, the following question:—

Given the reduced number of ESL teachers, teacher-librarians, learning assistance teachers, resource teachers, speech and language clinicians, special education teachers and counsellors, how are teachers expected to provide adequate assistance to students requiring these services?

The Hon. *C. Clark* replied as follows:

Despite declining enrollment, government has kept its *New Era* promise to protect funding for education. In fact, the education budget has been protected through 2004/2005.

Special education students are funded at the same levels as in past years but a new funding formula introduced in March 2002 has changed *how* the funds are allocated to school boards. Under this formula, school boards are better able to plan to meet the needs of local students because they already know what their funding levels will be for the next three years.

We have given school boards more autonomy and flexibility to develop and deliver education services that respond to the needs of the local community. Decisions regarding the provision of special education programs are a local school board responsibility that should be reached in consultation with parents.

School boards are required to meet educational standards through accountability contracts that focus on improving the achievements of *all* students.

Date answered: November 27, 2002

22 Al Klassen, President, Richmond Teachers' Association, to ask the Hon. the Minister of Education, regarding the Minister's responsibility for Public Education, the following question:—

Given the reduction in teaching staff, reduction in financial resources and the increased workload, how are teachers expected to properly implement the proposed graduation requirements?

The Hon. *C. Clark* replied as follows:

The ministry's graduate transition and satisfaction surveys found most high school graduates don't feel the education system is meeting their needs.

Starting last fall, consultation sessions with the education community and the public were held across B.C. to discuss changes to the graduation requirements. Following those discussions,

recommendations were prepared. The ministry is currently in the process of gathering feedback on the recommendations and holding further consultation sessions.

Teachers will play a key role in implementing the changes once they are finalized. We expect that school districts and teachers will focus future professional development days on preparing for the Graduation Program.

We must make B.C.'s Graduation Program more relevant and interesting for B.C. students so they are better able to succeed following high school and join our province's diverse society.

Date answered: November 27, 2002

23 Al Klassen, President, Richmond Teachers' Association, to ask the Hon. the Minister of Education, regarding the Minister's responsibility for Public Education, the following question:—

Given the legislated contract that was imposed on teachers, how do you plan to develop cooperative partnerships to improve the public education system?

The Hon. *C. Clark* replied as follows:

Parents, students, educators and other stakeholders all play a role in our education system. The provincial government has an on-going dialogue with these groups and takes their input on the education system very seriously.

For example, on-going discussions between ministry staff and teachers about changes to the graduation requirements has resulted in a large amount of feedback from educators. This feedback, along with input from other stakeholders, will be considered when the final changes to the graduation program are developed.

Government has also amended the *School Act* after recognizing parents' desire to play a greater role in school planning and decision-making.

We have also created School Planning Councils that will be comprised of parents, students, the school principal and a teacher. CPCs will consult with the school community in developing, monitoring, and reviewing school plans for improving student achievement.

Another new initiative requiring cooperative partnerships is the development of Accountability Contracts. These public, district-wide plans outline key priorities and measurable goals that demonstrate how the school district is working to improve student achievement.

Our goal for B.C.'s education system is to improve student achievement by providing a quality education for all students. Together, we can help students succeed in whatever path they choose and produce well-rounded citizens for tomorrow.

PROCLAMATION

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IONA V. CAMPAGNOLO
*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—GREETING

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

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 prorogue Our said Legislature or Parliament on the eleventh day of February, two thousand three at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon at Our City of Victoria.

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 Iona V. Campagnolo, Lieutenant Governor of Our Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our Province, this twenty-ninth day of January, two thousand three and in the fifty-first year of Our Reign.

By Command.