

Wednesday, March 28, 1973

FIFTEEN MINUTES PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

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

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

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

WALTER S. OWEN
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith amendments to Bill (No. 42) intituled *Land Commission Act*, enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 28, 1973

(ENCLOSURE)

Section 1:

(a) By deleting the definition of "green belt land" and substituting the following:

"'green belt land' means land referred to in section 7;"

(b) By deleting the definition of "land bank land" and substituting the following:

"'land bank land' means land referred to in section 7;"

(c) By adding, after the definition of "land bank land," the following definition:
"'land reserve plan' means a plan prepared pursuant to this Act in the manner prescribed by the regulations, which sets out clearly the areas within a municipality or regional district that, subject to the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, may be designated by the commission as an agricultural land reserve;"

(d) By deleting the definition of "park land" and substituting the following:
"'park land' means land referred to in section 7;"

Section 2: By deleting subsection (3) and substituting the following:

"(3) Except as provided in sections 8 and 9, at any meeting of the commission, a majority of the members constitutes a quorum."

Section 7:

- (a) By renumbering the section as subsection (1).
- (b) By deleting the word "and" at the end of clause (g) and inserting the word "and" at the end of clause (h) and adding the following as clause (h1):
 "(h1) advise and assist municipalities and regional districts in the preparation and production of the land reserve plans required for the purpose of this Act;"
- (c) By deleting the word "other" in the twenty-second line.
- (d) By deleting clause (i) and substituting the following:
 "(i) purchase or acquire land, except by expropriation, on such terms and conditions as may be negotiated, and hold such land for the purposes of this Act;"
- (e) By deleting the words "or Crown land acquired under the *Environmental Protection Act*," in the third and fourth lines of clause (j).
- (f) By adding the following as subsection (2):
 "(2) For the purposes of this section, the commission may
 - (a) purchase or acquire land, except by expropriation, including Crown land, the present condition or future potential of which merits preservation by reason of its aesthetic quality or its location in or around urban areas, as green belt land;
 - (b) purchase or acquire land, except by expropriation, including Crown land, having desirable qualities for urban or industrial development or redevelopment, as land bank land; and
 - (c) purchase or acquire land, except by expropriation, including Crown land, having desirable qualities for, or future potential for, recreational use as park land;

and, upon being so purchased or acquired, the green belt land, land bank land, or park land is established as

- (d) a green belt land reserve; or
- (e) a land bank land reserve; or
- (f) a park land reserve,

as the case may be, and shall be subject to this Act and the regulations."

Section 8: By deleting section 8 and substituting the following:

"Agricultural land reserves

"8. (1) For the purposes of section 7, the commission may, subject to this section, with the prior approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, designate land, including Crown land, that is suitable for farm use, as agricultural land, and, upon being so designated, the agricultural land is established as an agricultural land reserve and shall be subject to this Act and the regulations.

"(2) The regional board of every regional district, either alone, or in cooperation with its member municipalities, and every municipality that is not within a regional district, shall, with the advice and assistance of the commission if required, including such financial assistance as may be determined by the commission, within ninety days after the coming into force of this Act or within such further time as the commission may allow, by by-law, adopt a land reserve plan prepared in accordance with the regulations and file the by-law and land reserve plan with the commission.

"(3) The council or regional board, as the case may be, shall not adopt a by-law for the purpose of this section until it has held a public hearing, notice of which has been published in the manner prescribed in section 703 of the *Municipal*

Act, and except upon the affirmative vote of a majority of all members of council or of all the directors of a regional board.

“(4) The provisions of section 703 of the *Municipal Act* apply, with the necessary changes and so far as are applicable, to a hearing under subsection (3).

“(5) Where the commission considers that the land reserve plan filed under subsection (2) carries out the intent and purpose of this Act, it shall, after approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, designate the agricultural land shown therein as an agricultural land reserve.

“(6) Where the commission considers it necessary or advisable to amend the land reserve plan filed under subsection (2) to better carry out the intent and purpose of this Act, it may recommend to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council amendments to the land reserve plan, and shall, after approval by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council of the land reserve plan or the land reserve plan as amended, designate the agricultural land therein as an agricultural land reserve.

“(7) Where the council or regional board of a municipality or regional district, as the case may be, fails or refuses to prepare and file a land reserve plan with the commission in accordance with subsection (2), the commission shall, subject to subsections (8), (9), and (10), prepare a land reserve plan and submit the land reserve plan to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council for approval.

“(8) The commission shall not submit the land reserve plan prepared under subsection (7) to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council until it has held a public hearing, notice of which has been published in the manner prescribed in subsection (1) of section 703 of the *Municipal Act*, and the provisions of subsections (2), (3), and (4) of section 703 of the *Municipal Act* apply, with the necessary changes and so far as are applicable, to a hearing under this subsection.

“(9) For the purpose of a hearing under subsection (8),

(a) the commission has and may exercise all the powers of a Commissioner under sections 7, 10, and 11 of the *Public Inquiries Act*;

(b) the commission may accept written submissions or any other form of evidence; and

(c) notwithstanding subsection (3) of section 2, three members of the commission have and may exercise all the powers of the commission.

“(10) The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may approve a land reserve plan as submitted by the commission under subsection (7), or with such alterations or variations as he may consider necessary or advisable to carry out the intent and purpose of this Act, and the commission may thereupon, pursuant to subsection (1), designate the agricultural land shown therein as an agricultural land reserve.

“(11) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this section, pending the establishment of an agricultural land reserve in a municipality or regional district under this section, all land that is zoned for agricultural or farm use under a by-law of the municipality or regional district subsisting immediately prior to the twenty-first day of December, 1972, shall be deemed to be an agricultural land reserve and subject to this Act and the regulations, unless excepted by the commission.”

Section 9: By deleting section 9 and substituting the following:

“Exclusion from agricultural land reserve

“9. (1) The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may, upon the application of a municipality, regional district, or the commission or on his own, by order, exclude any land, whether Crown land or private land, from the reserve established under subsection (1) of section 8.

“(2) Subject to subsection (5), an owner of land aggrieved by a designation by the commission of his land as part of an agricultural land reserve under section 8

may, notwithstanding that he appeared before, or made representations to, the municipality, or regional district, or the commission under subsection (3) or (8) of section 8, apply to the commission in the manner prescribed by the regulations to have his land excluded from the agricultural land reserve.

“(3) The Commission, after a hearing held in such manner and after such notice as is prescribed by the regulations, may allow the application upon such terms and conditions as it considers advisable, or may refuse the application.

“(4) Notwithstanding subsection (3) of section 2, for the purpose of the hearing, three members of the commission have and may exercise all the powers of the commission.

“(5) Where land of an owner was, immediately prior to the twenty-first day of December, 1972, zoned for agricultural or farm use under a by-law of a municipality or regional district subsisting on that date, the owner is not entitled to apply to the commission under subsection (2) unless so authorized by a resolution of a municipality or a regional district, as the case may be.

“(6) The commission shall, at the request of the owner,

(a) deliver to him its decision in writing; and

(b) allow him to examine and make copies of all relevant documents in the custody of the commission pertaining to this application,

“(7) A person who is dissatisfied with the decision of the commission,

(a) upon being authorized to appeal by a resolution of the municipality or regional district, as the case may be; and

(b) upon being granted leave to appeal by any two members of the commission,

may appeal, in the manner prescribed in the regulations to the Environment and Land Use Committee established under the *Environment and Land Use Act*.

“(8) Subject to the procedure prescribed by the regulations, an appeal under this section shall be a hearing and review, but the Environment and Land Use Committee may accept written submissions or any other form of evidence.

“(9) The Environment and Land Use Committee may, after a hearing, allow the appeal, subject to such terms and conditions as it may consider advisable, or refuse the appeal; and, in the event the appeal is refused, may order that any costs of the hearing be paid by the appellant.

“(10) The commission is entitled to be a party on the hearing of the appeal and may take part in the proceedings.

“(11) Where land is excluded from a land reserve plan by order of the commission or the Environment and Land Use Committee under this section, the commission shall amend the land reserve plan accordingly and notify the municipality or regional district, as the case may be, and the appropriate Registrar of Titles.”

Section 10:

(a) Subsection (4), clause (a), line 5: By deleting all the words after the word “thereon” and substituting the words

“except

“(i) for farm use; or

“(ii) for residences necessary for farm use; or

“(iii) such residences for an owner of the agricultural land as may be permitted to be erected by the regulations;”.

(b) Subsection (4), clause (b), line 4: By deleting all the words after the word “thereon” and substituting the words

“except

“(i) for farm use; or

“(ii) for residences necessary for farm use; or

“(iii) such residences for an owner of the agricultural land as may be permitted to be erected by the regulations;”.

Section 11: By inserting, after subsection (4), the following subsection:

“(4a) Where land of an owner was, immediately prior to the twenty-first day of December, 1972, zoned for agricultural or farm use under a by-law of a municipality or regional district subsisting on that date, the owner is not entitled to apply to the commission for permission for any other use under section 10 or 11, unless so authorized by a resolution of a municipality or a regional district, as the case may be.”

Section 16, lines 2 and 3: By deleting all the words after the words “agricultural land reserve”.

Section 19:

(a) By deleting clauses (a) and (b) and substituting the following as clauses (a), (b), and (b1):

“(a) respecting land reserve plans for, and the designation, establishment, and approval of, agricultural land reserves, and the designation of farm use;

“(b) respecting applications to the commission for permission under section 10 and section 11, and the practice and procedure for hearing the application, and for applications, hearings, and appeals under sections 8 and 9;

“(b1) respecting residences for owners under subsection (4) of section 10;”.

(b) By relettering clause (b1) as clause (c) and relettering the remainder of the clauses.

Section 20:

(a) Subsection (1), line 2: By deleting the words “and the *Environmental Protection Act*,”.

(b) Subsection (1), line 3: By inserting the words “or in the regulations” after the word “Act” where it first appears.

(c) Subsection (2), line 3: By deleting the words “designated under section 8” and substituting the words “established under section 7 or 8”.

(d) Subsection (2), line 4: By deleting the words “and Crown land under the *Environmental Protection Act*”.

(e) Subsection (3), line 1: By deleting the word “designated” and substituting the word “established”.

Ordered, That the said Message, and the amendments accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the proposed amendments to Bill (No. 42) intituled *Land Commission Act*, a draft of which is annexed to the Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, be referred to the Committee having in charge Bill (No. 42).

Resolution reported.

Report adopted.

And then the House adjourned at 5.50 p.m.

Wednesday, March 28, 1973

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

131. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$64,032 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1974.

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 10.45 p.m.

Thursday, March 29, 1973

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *Gilbert Smith*.

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

JOHN R. NICHOLSON
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 47) intituled *Mineral Property Taxation Act Repeal Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 28, 1973

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

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

WALTER S. OWEN
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 64) intituled *Mineral Land Tax Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 28, 1973

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

On the motion of Mr. *McGeer*, Bill (No. 158) intituled *An Act to Amend the Trade-unions 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 of the House after today.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

132. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,924 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Environment and Land Use Committee, to 31st March 1974.

133. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$343,282 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Lands Service, General Administration, to 31st March 1974.

134. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,123,216 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Lands Service, Lands Branch, to 31st March 1974.

135. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Lands Service, Pre-servicing Crown Lands for Sale or Lease, to 31st March 1974.

136. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,841,754 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Lands Service, Surveys and Mapping Branch, to 31st March 1974.

137. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Lands Service, *University Endowment Lands Administration Act*, to 31st March 1974.

138. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$28,370,434 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Forest Service, General Administration, Protection, and Management of Forests, to 31st March 1974.

139. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,490,660 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Forest Service, Reforestation and Forest Nursery, to 31st March 1974.

140. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Forest Service, Forestry and Correction Camp Programme, to 31st March 1974.

141. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$330,650 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Forest Service, Forest Research, to 31st March 1974.

142. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$94,750 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Forest Service, Public Information and Education, to 31st March 1974.

143. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$177,234 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Forest Service, Forest Service Training-school, to 31st March 1974.

144. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Forest Service, Grant to Canadian Forestry Association, to 31st March 1974.

145. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,132,250 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Forest Service, Engineering Services and Forest-development Roads, to 31st March 1974.

146. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,750,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Forest Service, Fire Suppression, to 31st March 1974.

147. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,900,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Forest Service, Forest Inventory, to 31st March 1974.

148. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Forest Service, Scaling Fund, to 31st March 1974.

149. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,022,600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Forest Service, Silviculture, to 31st March 1974.

150. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Forest Service, Grazing Range Improvement Fund, to 31st March 1974.

151. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Forest Service, Peace River Community Pastures, to 31st March 1974.

152. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Forest Service, Reservoir Waterway Improvements, to 31st March 1974.

153. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$134,984 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Water Resources Service, General Administration, to 31st March 1974.

154. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,015,214 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Water Resources Service, Water Rights Branch, to 31st March 1974.

155. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Water Resources Service, Assistance to Improvement Districts, to 31st March 1974.

156. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$52,750 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Water Resources Service, Canadian Council of Resource Ministers, to 31st March 1974.

157. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,808 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Water Resources Service, Inspector of Dykes, to 31st March 1974.

158. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,034,528 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Water Resources Service, Water Investigations Branch, to 31st March 1974.

159. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,950,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Water Resources Service, Investigations, Hydraulic Surveys, and Projects, to 31st March 1974.

160. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$300,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Water Resources Services, Environmental Quality Studies, to 31st March 1974.

161. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$95,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Water Resources Service, Okanagan Flood Control, to 31st March 1974.

162. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,600,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Water Resources Service, *Canada-British Columbia Joint Development Act*, to 31st March 1974.

163. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$130,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Water Resources Service, B.C. Hydrometric Stream-gauging, to 31st March 1974.

164. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$344,051 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Water Resources Service, Southern Okanagan Lands Project, to 31st March 1974.

165. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,586,626 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Water Resources Service, Pollution Control, to 31st March 1974.

166. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$770,678 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources, Water Resources Service, Laboratory Services, to 31st March 1974.

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 1.06 p.m.

Thursday, March 29, 1973

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting of the House after today:

On the motion of the Hon. *A. B. Macdonald*, Bill (No. 138) intituled *An Act to Amend the Supreme Court Act*.

On the motion of the Hon. *D. G. Cocke*, Bill (No. 45) intituled *Sexual Sterilization Act Repeal Act*.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

222. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$19,294 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1974.

223. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$233,236 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, General Administration, to 31st March 1974.

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

By leave, the House reverted to the Order "Introduction of Bills."

On the motion of the Hon. *A. B. Macdonald*, Bill (No. 163) intituled *An Act to Amend the Motor-vehicle 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 of the House after today.

278 Mr. *Wallace* asked the Hon. the Minister of Labour the following question:

What salaries are paid to G. S. Levey and L. A. Stadnyk employed as consultant and counsellor for the Workmen's Compensation Board?

The Hon. *W. S. King* replied as follows:

"G. S. Levey, Compensation Consultant, \$22,300 and L. A. Stadnyk, Compensation Counsellor, \$14,760."

The Hon. *D. D. Stupich* (Minister of Agriculture) presented the Sixty-seventh Annual Report of the Department of Agriculture for the year 1972.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8 o'clock p.m. today.

And then the House adjourned at 6.05 p.m.

Thursday, March 29, 1973

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker delivered a reserved decision as follows:

Honourable Members,—I have examined the complaint on a point of privilege raised by the Honourable Member for North Okanagan that the Select Standing

Committee on Social Welfare and Education "held a committee meeting" while the House was in session this morning and after leave to do so had not been granted by the House although such leave was sought at 10 o'clock a.m. by its presiding member.

The complaint states: "The committee went ahead and met. The committee used the special sign on the door. They not only used the Hansard transcribing machine but summoned Hansard to appear. The press were in attendance and in effect reporting a meeting that didn't exist."

Further on, the complaint was elaborated to include this statement:

"Mr. Speaker, the complaint is that this House denied the right of that committee to sit and the chairman went ahead and invoked all the trappings, all the equipment, and all the assistance of a formal meeting and indicated to the people appearing before that meeting that this was, in fact, a legally constituted and formal meeting."

As members know, the Speaker's Office has jurisdiction over the precincts, the committee rooms, the security officers of the Legislature, and the Hansard facilities.

Fortunately, recordings of the events took place and they are available. The chairman of the committee is shown by the record to have stated: "We did not get permission from the House to sit but the decision was made that since you had made the trip over that we would listen to what you have to say anyway."

As the administrator of the Legislative precincts I have ascertained that members of the Sergeant-at-Arms' staff, without knowledge of events inside the Chamber this morning, followed their normal duties in placing the sign on each committee door in compliance with the notices posted in the Speaker's corridor and on the Order Paper as to meetings of committees. The Social Welfare and Education Committee had been advertised for some time as meeting at 11 o'clock a.m. on Thursday in the Cedar Room. An attendant should have removed the sign, but was unaware that the advertised notice had been overruled.

Members have supplied me with a notice distributed to committee members which states:

"Official Leave Has Been Denied

"Official leave has been denied so we cannot hold an official meeting, but anyone interested in meeting with the Committee on Social Welfare which will be meeting with representatives from the Association of Canadian Distillers, Winery Association, and presentation of Canadian Breweries, can do so in the Cedar Room at 11 a.m.

ROSEMARY BROWN"

Clearly there was a recognition by members of the committee that they could not conduct any business as a committee in view of the refusal of leave to hold a formal meeting. This is borne out by the memorandum and the words of the Honourable Second Member for Burrard duly transcribed.

As Speaker, however, I have issued instructions to the Hansard staff that they are not to service any group informally without express authority from me.

The rule relating to committees is set out in May, 18th edition, at page 626. It must be noted that British Standing Orders differ now from the previous practice dating from 1693.

May states: "Formerly, without leave of the House, no committee of the Commons could sit whilst the House was sitting, but now, by Standing Order No. 88, all committees have leave to sit during the sitting of the House, and notwithstanding any adjournment of the House, on any day on which the House has sat."

Thus, the British practice has changed but we are not, with respect, subject to the same change under our Standing Order 1 (*see* Speaker's decision in the Votes and Proceedings of March 22, 1973).

The honourable member cites Beauchesne, 4th edition, 1958, at section 300, page 243, as to Canadian practice; but that no longer is correct. The Canadian Standing Orders adopted first in 1969, and amended in 1971, state in Standing Order 65 (8): "Standing committees shall be severally empowered to examine and enquire into all such matters as may be referred to them by the House, and, to report from time to time, and except when the House otherwise orders, to send for persons, papers, and records, to sit while the House is sitting . . ."

Although it is desirable perhaps to follow these recent rule changes made in Ottawa and Westminster, our rule continues to conform to the usage as it was formerly and as indicated in Commons Journal (1693-97), vol. 126, page 494. Thus our committees must still seek leave to sit while the House is in session.

In all the circumstances, I do not think a *prima facie* breach of the House rules was evidenced. It appears that the members concerned met on an informal basis and no report from such gathering would be expected to be sent to the House.

The House should know, however, that I have taken steps to deny any further unauthorized use of Hansard staff by honourable members, regardless of the possibly useful purposes which may have been contemplated.

G. H. DOWDING, *Speaker*

Mr. Speaker deferred completion of a further reserved decision relating to a matter of privilege raised by Mr. *Phillips*, as the honourable member was not present in the House.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

224. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$377,892 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Environmental Conservation (SAM), to 31st March 1974.

225. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,057,254 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Provincial Museum, to 31st March 1974.

226. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$125,579 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Commercial Fisheries Branch, to 31st March 1974.

227. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,196,131 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Fish and Wildlife Branch, to 31st March 1974.

228. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$94,320 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Creston Valley Management Authority, to 31st March 1974.

229. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,342,578 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Parks Branch, to 31st March 1974.

230. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Grants in Aid of Regional Parks Development, to 31st March 1974.

231. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$400,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Recreation and Conservation, Youth Training Programme, to 31st March 1974.

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

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

Mr. Speaker completed his reserved decision relating to a matter of privilege raised by Mr. *Phillips*, as follows:

Honourable Members,—The Honourable Member for South Peace River complains on grounds of breach of privilege at a statement in *The Province* of Wednesday, March 28, at p. 43, by columnist Lorne Parton.

(The Clerk Assistant then read the subject article in the following words: "How much does Don Phillips' mouth cost us? Well, his filibuster combined with Pat Jordan's filibuster against Bill 42 works out to about \$20,000 so far. Attorney-General Alex Macdonald says the average cost of running the legislature in debate is \$1,000 an hour, and the two Socreds have spent 20 hours on talktalktalk.")

The usual procedure is set out in May, 18th edition, at page 159/60, and it is the duty of the member to follow up his complaint with a motion, if the House Leader does not do so.

He must, of course, characterize the nature of the article to the House and it is for the House, if it wishes to, to consider what step it proposes to take, should he make an appropriate motion.

If the member makes no motion, and the House Leader does not choose to do so, the House goes on with its business.

G. H. DOWDING, *Speaker*

Mr. *Phillips* moved—

That the Attorney-General by his statements relative to monetary value on debate has cast a shadow on this assembly and impaired the rights and privileges of the members and has therefore committed a breach of parliamentary privilege.

Mr. Speaker ruled that the motion as presented was not appropriate and, accordingly, ruled the motion out of order.

And then the House adjourned at 11.15 p.m.

Friday, March 30, 1973

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Canon *C. H. Butler*.

Mr. Speaker made a statement relating to personal allusions during the course of debate.

The following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting of the House after today:

On the motion of Mr. *McGeer*, Bill (No. 166) intituled *An Act Respecting Rights of Nonsmokers*.

On the motion of Mr. *Gardom*, Bill (No. 167) intituled *The Environmental Bill of Rights Act, 1973*.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

167. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$59,732 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1974.

168. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,417,684 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, General Administration, to 31st March 1974.

169. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$36,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Grants and Subsidies, to 31st March 1974.

170. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Grant to 30th Annual Provincial Mines Ministers' Conference, to 31st March 1974.

171. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$800,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Grants in Aid of Mining Roads and Trails, to 31st March 1974.

172. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$150,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Grants in Aid of Roads and Trails, Petroleum and Natural Gas, to 31st March 1974.

173. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$750,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Construction of Cassiar-Stewart Road, to 31st March 1974.

174. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Grub-staking Prospectors, to 31st March 1974.

175. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Special Mineral Surveys, to 31st March 1974.

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

The Committee further reported that during consideration of Vote 167 the Committee divided on a motion to rise and report progress.

The Committee recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

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

YEAS—13

<i>Brousson</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Chabot</i>
<i>Schroeder</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Bennett</i>
<i>Morrison</i>	<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>McClelland</i>			

NAYS—31

<i>Liden</i>	<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>
<i>Lewis</i>	<i>Cummings</i>	<i>Dailly</i>	<i>Skelly</i>
<i>Webster</i>	<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Hartley</i>
<i>Kelly</i>	<i>Sanford</i>	<i>Gorst</i>	<i>Calder</i>
<i>Curtis</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Steves</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>Young</i>	<i>Williams, R. A.</i>
<i>Barnes</i>	<i>Nunweiler</i>	<i>Lea</i>	<i>Levi</i>
<i>Anderson, G. H.</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Lauk</i>	

PAIRS:

<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>
<i>Anderson, D. A.</i>	<i>Barrett</i>

Mr. *Smith* asked leave to move the adjournment of the House to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance.

Mr. Speaker ruled that such leave under Standing Order 35 (1) must be asked after the ordinary daily routine of business has been concluded and before Notice of Motions or Orders of the Day are entered upon, and, as the House had already entered upon Orders of the Day, it was not in order to thereafter ask leave to make such a motion.

Mr. *McGeer* rose on a point of order relating to the Order of Business of the House, namely, that the House shall enter upon "Motions and Adjourned Debates on Motions" pursuant to Standing Order 27 (1).

Mr. Speaker ruled that the effect of Standing Order 27 (1) was to require that, except for Government Orders, all items under the Order of Business should be called in sequence and that, as under Standing Order 25, "Motions and Adjourned Debates on Motions" are described as "Routine Business," it was competent for the House Leader to move that the House proceed to the Order "Public Bills in the Hands of Private Members."

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *Eileen E. Dailly*, the House proceeded to the Order "Public Bills in the Hands of Private Members."

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 3) intituled *An Act to Provide for the Guarantee by the Province of Loans for Feeding Cattle for Market* a debate arose.

On a point of order being raised, Mr. Speaker ruled the Bill out of order in the hands of a private member as involving the expenditure of public funds, and quoted Standing Order 66.

Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 4) intituled *An Act Respecting Mobile Homes* a debate arose.

On a point of order being raised, Mr. Speaker ruled the Bill out of order in the hands of a private member as it involved an impost and thereby offended Standing Order 67.

Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 6) intituled *British Columbia Development Corporation Act* a debate arose.

Mr. Speaker ruled the Bill out of order in the hands of a private member as it offended Standing Order 67 as involving the expenditure of public funds.

Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 7) intituled *The Farm Creditors Assistance Act* a debate arose.

Mr. Speaker ruled the Bill out of order in the hands of a private member as involving the expenditure of public funds, and quoted Standing Order 67.

Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 5) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipalities Aid Act* a debate arose.

Mr. Speaker ruled the Bill out of order in the hands of a private member as it involved an impost and offended Standing Order 67.

Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 8) intituled *Training on the Job Act* a debate arose.

Mr. Speaker ruled the Bill out of order in the hands of a private member as it involved the expenditure of public funds and thereby offended Standing Order 67.

Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 9) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia Act* a debate arose.

Mr. Speaker ruled the Bill out of order in the hands of a private member as it involved an impost and offended Standing Order 67.

Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 10) intituled *Christ Church Cathedral Historic Site Grant Act* a debate arose.

Mr. Speaker ruled the Bill out of order in the hands of a private member as it involved the expenditure of public funds and offended Standing Order 67.

Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 11) intituled *An Act to Repeal the Gift Tax Act* a debate arose.

Mr. Speaker ruled the Bill out of order in the hands of a private member as it interfered with Crown revenue.

Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 13) intituled *An Act to Repeal the Probate Fees Act* a debate arose.

Mr. Speaker ruled the Bill out of order in the hands of a private member as it interfered with Crown revenue.

Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 12) intituled *An Act to Repeal the Succession Duty Act* a debate arose.

Mr. Speaker ruled the Bill out of order in the hands of a private member as it interfered with Crown revenue.

Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 15) intituled *An Act to Amend the Labour Relations Act* a debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. *W. S. King*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

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

Mr. *Smith* rose on a point of order, quoting the 17th edition of May, to the effect that the intent of Standing Order 35 was to permit a motion to move adjournment of the House on the happening of some emergent event.

Mr. Speaker ruled that, nevertheless, as he had previously ruled, such matters must be raised at the proper time, namely, before the Orders of the Day had been entered upon.

Mr. Speaker's attention was then drawn to the clock and he stated that, in the absence of any matters of routine business requiring a motion without debate, he was obliged to leave the Chair.

And then the House adjourned at 1.15 p.m.

Monday, April 2, 1973

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *P. W. R. Isles*.

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

WALTER S. OWEN
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 159) intituled *An Act to Amend the Civil Service Superannuation Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
March 30, 1973*

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

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

WALTER S. OWEN
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 162) intituled *An Act to Amend the Municipal Superannuation Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
March 30, 1973*

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

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

WALTER S. OWEN
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 161) intituled *An Act to Amend the Teachers' Pensions Act, 1961*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
March 30, 1973*

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

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

WALTER S. OWEN
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 160) intituled *An Act to Amend the College Pension Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
March 30, 1973*

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

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

WALTER S. OWEN
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith amendments to Bill (No. 102) intituled *Development Corporation of British Columbia Act*, enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 30, 1973

(ENCLOSURE)

Section 3 (2): By inserting after the word "shall" in the fourth line, the words "set aside the amount of twenty-five million dollars, out of which he shall".

Section 37 (1): By adding, at the end, the following:

"; but on the coming into force of this Act

"(a) the Act is retroactive to the thirty-first day of March, 1973; and

"(b) any order made by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council under this Act, if so stated in the order, may be made retroactive to the thirty-first day of March, 1973,

to the extent necessary to give full force and effect to the Act or an Order in Council made thereunder on, from, and after that date."

By leave of the House, *Resolved*, that the said Message, and the amendments accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee having in charge Bill (No. 102).

The Hon. *R. A. Williams* (Minister of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources) made a statement relating to an Agreement dated April 2, 1973, made among Celanese Corporation and British Columbia Cellulose Limited and Columbia Cellulose Company, Limited and Columbia Pulp Sales Limited and Canadian Cellulose Company, Limited and Celgar Limited (in voluntary liquidation).

By leave of the House, the Hon. *R. A. Williams* (Minister of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources) presented a copy of the said Agreement.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

176. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$67,700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1974.

177. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$672,644 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, General Administration, to 31st March 1974.

178. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$701,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Grants and Subsidies, to 31st March 1974.

179. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Housing and Redevelopment, to 31st March 1974.

180. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$68,750,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs, Grants in Aid of Local Government and Home-owners' Subsidies, to 31st March 1974.

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

The Committee further reported that in consideration of Vote 176 the Committee divided on the following motion by Mr. *Fraser*:

"That the salary of the Minister of Municipal Affairs, included in Vote 176, be reduced by \$1, thereby decreasing Vote 176 to \$67,699," and recommended that the division be recorded in the Journals of the House.

Report adopted.
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Fraser*, the Rules were suspended and it was *Ordered* that the division in Committee on Vote 176 be recorded in the Journals of the House as follows:

YEAS—9

<i>Morrison</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Bennett</i>
<i>McClelland</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Richter</i>
<i>Phillips</i>			

NAYS—39

<i>Lewis</i>	<i>Williams, L. A.</i>	<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Gabelmann</i>
<i>Webster</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Dailly</i>	<i>Skelly</i>
<i>Kelly</i>	<i>Cummings</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Hartley</i>
<i>Curtis</i>	<i>D'Arcy</i>	<i>Macdonald</i>	<i>Calder</i>
<i>Brousson</i>	<i>Sanford</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>King</i>
<i>Steves</i>	<i>Radford</i>	<i>Gorst</i>	<i>Cocke</i>
<i>Barnes</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Lockstead</i>	<i>Williams, R. A.</i>
<i>Anderson, G. H.</i>	<i>Nicolson</i>	<i>Young</i>	<i>Lorimer</i>
<i>Rolston</i>	<i>Nunweiler</i>	<i>Lea</i>	<i>Levi</i>
<i>Wallace</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Lauk</i>	

PAIRS:

<i>Anderson, D. A.</i>	<i>Stupich</i>
<i>Gardom</i>	<i>Liden</i>

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

203 Mr. *McClelland* asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:

1. Has the Provincial Government any plans to employ one, James Rhodes, Langley, in any capacity?
2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what are the plans?

The Hon. *Ernest Hall* replied as follows:

"1. Mr. Rhodes is presently engaged as a consultant to the Minister of Industrial Development, Trade, and Commerce.

"2. Answered by No. 1."

279 Mr. *Wallace* asked the Hon. the Minister of Labour the following question:

What salaries are paid to the Chairman, Deputy Chairman, and each Commissioner on the Workmen's Compensation Board?

The Hon. *W. S. King* replied as follows:

"At present the position of Chairman, Workmen's Compensation Board, is vacant and there is no Deputy Chairman; however, there is a Vice-chairman and his salary is \$27,000 per annum; each of the two Commissioners is paid \$23,700 per annum."

And then the House adjourned at 6.21 p.m.

Monday, April 2, 1973

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

WALTER S. OWEN
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 164) intituled *Ocean Falls Corporation Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 30, 1973

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

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

WALTER S. OWEN
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 165) intituled *Ocean Falls Corporation Appropriation Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
March 30, 1973*

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

On the motion of Mr. *McGeer*, Bill (No. 170) intituled *An Act Respecting Fluoridation of Water Supplies* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting of the House after today.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Commercial Transport, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1974.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$111,706 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Commercial Transport, General Administration, to 31st March 1974.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200,928 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Commercial Transport, Engineering Branch, to 31st March 1974.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,187,682 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Commercial Transport, Weigh-scale Branch, to 31st March 1974.

181. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$48,430 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1974.

182. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$161,526 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, General Administration, to 31st March 1974.

183. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$278,438 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Central Microfilm Bureau, to 31st March 1974.

184. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,062,184 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Postal Branch, to 31st March 1974.

185. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$341,640 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Library, to 31st March 1974.

186. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$276,460 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Archives, to 31st March 1974.

187. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$560,640 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Library Development Commission, to 31st March 1974.

188. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$900,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Library and Library Association Grants, to 31st March 1974.

189. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Queen's Printer, to 31st March 1974.

190. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$86,168 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Government House, to 31st March 1974.

191. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$282,131 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Agent-General's Office and British Columbia House, London, England, to 31st March 1974.

192. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$46,038 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, *Indian Advisory Act*, to 31st March 1974.

193. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,200,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Assessment on Class 13 (the Crown)—*Workmen's Compensation Act*, to 31st March 1974.

194. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,415,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Unemployment Insurance (Civil Service), to 31st March 1974.

195. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March 1974.

196. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,750,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Grants, Etc., to 31st March 1974.

197. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,850,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Grants in Aid of Construction of Homes and Recreational Centres, to 31st March 1974.

198. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$675,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Grants *re* Alcoholic and Narcotic Foundations, to 31st March 1974.

199. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, *Capital Improvement District Act*, to 31st March 1974.

200. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$630,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, *Archaeological and Historic Sites Protection Act*, to 31st March 1974.

201. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$750,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Emergency Programme, to 31st March 1974.

202. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$129,540 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, *Provincial Elections Act*, to 31st March 1974.

203. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, *Public Inquiries Act*, to 31st March 1974.

204. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$637,634 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Service Commission, Administration, to 31st March 1974.

205. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Service Com-

mission, Grants *re* Civil Service—Gratuities Under Sec. 77 of *Civil Service Act* and Other Government Employees, to 31st March 1974.

206. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Service Commission, Retiring Allowances—*Civil Service Act*, Sec. 70, and Other Government Employees, to 31st March 1974.

207. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$19,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Service Commission, Civil Service Schedule Bond, to 31st March 1974.

208. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$480,874 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, Administration, to 31st March 1974.

209. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$18,175,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, Civil Service Superannuation and Retirement Benefits, to 31st March 1974.

210. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$65,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, *Members of the Legislative Assembly Superannuation Act*, to 31st March 1974.

211. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,425,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, *Public Services Medical Plan Act*, to 31st March 1974.

212. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$231,772 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, *Public Services Group Insurance Act*, to 31st March 1974.

213. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$53,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation Branch, *Municipal Superannuation Act*, to 31st March 1974.

232. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$18,616 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Travel Industry to 31st March 1974.

233. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$39,422 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Travel Industry, General Administration, to 31st March 1974.

234. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$606,470 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Travel Industry, Community Recreation Branch, to 31st March 1974.

235. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,433,832 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Travel Industry, Travel Division, to 31st March 1974.

236. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$101,234 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Travel Industry, California and London Offices, to 31st March 1974.

237. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$390,792 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Travel Industry, Film and Photographic Branch, to 31st March 1974.

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

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

206 Mr. *D. A. Anderson* asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following questions:

With respect to the study and practice of law in the Province of British Columbia—

1. How many residents of British Columbia applied unsuccessfully for admission to the University of British Columbia School of Law in the years 1969, 1970, 1971, and 1972?

2. Does a plan exist to establish a School of Law (*a*) at the University of Victoria or (*b*) at any other location in the Province?

3. If the answer to No. 2 (*a*) is yes, what other location has been selected?

4. Have studies been commissioned to determine the future requirements of British Columbia in respect of graduates in law?

The Hon. *Eileen E. Dailly* replied as follows:

"1. For the academic years 1971 and 1972, the number of residents of British Columbia who applied unsuccessfully for admission to the University of British Columbia School of Law was 240 and 270 respectively, similar data requested for the years 1969 and 1970 is not immediately available.

"2. A joint committee was formed approximately one month ago to pursue actively the matter of establishing a Faculty of Law at the University of Victoria, membership on the committee is composed of three representatives from the university, two from the Victoria Bar Association, the Deputy Attorney-General from the Provincial Government, and the Superintendent of Post-secondary Education; it is anticipated that a report on the committee's findings will be forthcoming within the next few weeks, approval to develop a Faculty of Law has been given by the University Senate.

"3. The future requirements of British Columbia in respect of graduates in law is under consideration by the above-mentioned committee; however, this need is difficult to assess accurately, since approximately one-third of law graduates move into activities not directly associated with the practice of law, it has been determined that the ratio of graduates in law in British Columbia on a *per capita* basis is about 1200:1 compared to a national ratio of 1100:1."

273 Mr. *Wallace* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question:

What is the usual legal action taken against cyclists under the age of 17 who disregard the provisions of section 173 of the *Motor-vehicle Act*?

The Hon. *A. B. Macdonald* replied as follows:

"Charges are available to the police against juveniles who offend against section 173 of the *Motor-vehicle Act*, this would be done under the provisions of the *Juvenile Delinquents Act*."

275 Mr. *Curtis* asked the Hon. the Minister of Highways the following questions:

With respect to the British Columbia ferry *Queen of Victoria*—

1. Does this vessel continue to experience engine or mechanical difficulties?

2. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, did such difficulties prompt cancellation of some sailings by the *Queen of Victoria* on or about Sunday, March 18?

3. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, is consideration being given to removing this vessel from regular service for any overhaul or reconditioning?

4. If the answer to No. 1 is yes, what contingency plans does the Ferry Authority have as the spring and summer travel season approaches and in the event that this vessel may unavoidably be removed from service?

The Hon. R. M. Strachan replied as follows:

"1. No.

"2. The problem has since been corrected but there were cancellations on Sunday, March 18, due to weather conditions as the ship was running on three engines.

"3. The ship will be removed from service for one day to install new pistons in one engine.

"4. As there will be five ships on this route during the heavy season, if any vessel is unavoidably removed from service, hourly service will still continue."

And then the House adjourned at 10.42 p.m.

Tuesday, April 3, 1973

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Canon J. Rogers.

On the motion of Mr. Gardom, Bill (No. 171) intituled *An Act for the Restriction of the Use of Spring Traps* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting of the House after today.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

216. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$58,976 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1974.

217. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$518,268 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, General Administration, to 31st March 1974.

218. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,518,400 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Government Buildings (Maintenance), to 31st March 1974.

219. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$18,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Construction of Provincial Buildings, to 31st March 1974.

220. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,430,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Rentals, to 31st March 1974.

221. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,983,026 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Safety Inspection Division, to 31st March 1974.

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.45 p.m.

Tuesday, April 3, 1973

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

WALTER S. OWEN
Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 169) intituled *An Act to Amend the Placer-mining Act*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
April 3, 1973

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

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 1.54 p.m.

Wednesday, April 4, 1973

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

238. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$72,484 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Minister's Office, to 31st March 1974.

239. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$275,862 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, General Administration, to 31st March 1974.

240. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$342,910 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Assistance and Rehabilitation Division, to 31st March 1974.

241. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,799,189 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Assistance and Rehabilitation Division, to 31st March 1974.

242. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$238,058 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Health Care Division, to 31st March 1974.

243. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$215,968,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Social Assistance, to 31st March 1974.

244. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$480,058 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, New Denver, to 31st March 1974.

245. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$398,414 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Child Welfare Division—Administration, to 31st March 1974.

246. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$431,180 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Provincial Home, to 31st March 1974.

247. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,054,739 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Brannan Lake School for Boys, to 31st March 1974.

248. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$260,811 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Division on Aging, to 31st March 1974.

249. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$366,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Blind Persons' Allowances, to 31st March 1974.

250. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,337,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Disabled Persons' Allowances, to 31st March 1974.

251. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$46,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement, Education of Soldiers' Dependent Children and Expenses, to 31st March 1974.

252. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$63,120 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Minister Without Portfolio to 31st March 1974.

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,254,786 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation to 31st March 1974.

Schedule A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$35,771,657 be granted to Her Majesty to make good certain sums expended for the public service for the period ended March 31, 1972, and to indemnify the several officers and persons for making such expenditure.

Department of Agriculture	\$17,920
Department of the Attorney-General	2,331,845
Department of Education	1,061,375
Department of Finance	313,689
Department of Health Services and Hospital Insurance	1,438,272
Department of Highways	17,391,347
Department of Labour	36,746
Department of Lands, Forests, and Water Resources	117,329
Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources	224,085
Department of the Provincial Secretary	3,776,096
Public Utilities Commission	1,597
Department of Public Works	1,712,055
Department of Recreation and Conservation	75,670
Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement	7,273,631
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The Committee reported the Resolutions.
Report to be considered forthwith.

The reports of Resolutions from the Committee of Supply on February 28th, March 1st, 5th, 7th, 8th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 28th, 29th, and 30th, and April 2nd, 3rd, and 4th were taken as read and received.

On the motion of the Hon. the Minister of Finance, seconded by the Hon. the Attorney-General, the Rules were suspended and the Resolutions from the Committee of Supply were read a second time, taken as read, and agreed to.

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

On the motion of the Hon. the Minister of Finance, seconded by the Hon. the Attorney-General, it was *Ordered*—

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

Resolved, That towards the making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Public Service of the Province, there be granted from and out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the following:

- (1) \$35,771,657 to make good certain sums expended for the fiscal year ended the 31st day of March 1972.
- (2) \$1,718,909,091 towards defraying the several charges and expenses for the fiscal year ending the 31st day of March 1974.

The Committee rose and reported the Resolution.

Resolution read a second time, taken as read, and agreed to.

The Hon. the Minister of Finance presented Bill (No. 172) intituled *An Act for Granting Certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia*.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of Bill (No. 172) intituled *An Act for Granting Certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia*.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

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

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

Bill read a third time and passed.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 9 o'clock p.m. today.

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

Wednesday, April 4, 1973

NINE O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of the Hon. *David Barrett*, the House proceeded to the Order "Public Bills and Orders."

The following Bills were read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today:

Bill (No. 1) intituled *Regulations Act*.

Bill (No. 2) intituled *An Act to Amend the Constitutional Questions Determination Act*.

Bill (No. 16) intituled *Companies Act*.

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

271 Mr. *Curtis* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:

With reference to the railway service of B.C. Hydro—

1. What was the revenue received from these services in each year from 1962 to date?
2. What was the expenditure on these services in each year from 1962 to date?
3. What was the net surplus or deficit from these services in each year from 1962 to date?

The Hon. *David Barrett* replied as follows:

"The following information has been submitted by British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority:

"1.	Year ended March 31, 1963	\$5,325,286	
	Year ended March 31, 1964	5,616,592	
	Year ended March 31, 1965	5,868,406	
	Year ended March 31, 1966	6,158,016	
	Year ended March 31, 1967	6,420,825	
	Year ended March 31, 1968	6,992,305	
	Year ended March 31, 1969	7,462,538	
	Year ended March 31, 1970	8,441,237	
	Year ended March 31, 1971	8,001,617	
	Year ended March 31, 1972	10,219,984	
			Operating Expenses Plant Expenditures ¹
"2.	Year ended March 31, 1963	\$4,031,001	\$914,152
	Year ended March 31, 1964	4,184,177	407,893
	Year ended March 31, 1965	4,525,937	1,152,261
	Year ended March 31, 1966	4,731,036	810,856
	Year ended March 31, 1967	5,034,605	729,861
	Year ended March 31, 1968	5,471,038	876,765
	Year ended March 31, 1969	5,751,283	574,360
	Year ended March 31, 1970	6,335,496	1,083,868
	Year ended March 31, 1971	6,579,901	645,395
	Year ended March 31, 1972	7,601,596	1,484,545

"3. Surplus for year ended March 31, 1963	\$1,294,285
Surplus for year ended March 31, 1964	1,432,415
Surplus for year ended March 31, 1965	1,342,469
Surplus for year ended March 31, 1966	1,426,980
Surplus for year ended March 31, 1967	1,386,220
Surplus for year ended March 31, 1968	1,521,267
Surplus for year ended March 31, 1969	1,711,255
Surplus for year ended March 31, 1970	2,105,741
Surplus for year ended March 31, 1971	1,421,716
Surplus for year ended March 31, 1972	2,618,388

"1 Excludes expenditures on B.C. Harbours Board portion of Roberts Bank rail line."

272 Mr. *Curtis* asked the Hon. the Premier and President of the Council the following questions:

With reference to the revenue from, and expenditure on, B.C. Hydro transit services in Vancouver and Victoria—

1. What was the revenue in each city for 1969/70, 1970/71, and 1971/72?
2. What was the expenditure in each city for 1969/70, 1970/71, and 1971/72?
3. Did B.C. Hydro pay any subsidy from their general revenue for these transit operations in 1969/70, 1970/71, and 1971/72?
4. If the answer to No. 3 is yes, what was the amount for each city in each year?

The Hon. *David Barrett* replied as follows:

"The following information has been submitted by British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority:

	Years Ended March 31—		
	1970	1971	1972
"1. Revenues ¹ —			
Greater Vancouver	\$13,551,839	\$13,706,992	\$15,140,137
Greater Victoria	1,722,215	1,678,176	1,735,961
"2. (a) Operating expenses—			
Greater Vancouver	17,520,584	17,566,552	19,213,353
Greater Victoria	2,498,193	2,406,061	2,603,655
(b) Plant expenditures—			
Greater Vancouver	1,195,874	235,609	120,247
Greater Victoria	6,375	198,183	25,833
"3. Yes.			
"4. Greater Vancouver	3,968,745	3,859,560	4,073,216
Greater Victoria	775,978	727,885	867,694
Subtotal	\$4,744,723	\$4,587,445	\$4,940,910
Less Provincial Government transit subsidy	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000
Total	\$2,744,723	\$2,587,445	\$2,940,910

"1 Excludes Provincial Government transit subsidy."

And then the House adjourned at 10.44 p.m.