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Prayers and Reflections by Baltej Singh Dhillon, Sikh Minister, Inspector (Ret'd) R.C.M.P.

This being the first day of the fifth meeting of the Forty-first Parliament of the Province of British Columbia for the dispatch of business, pursuant to a Proclamation of the Honourable Robert Bauman, Administrator of the Province, dated the 29th day of January, 2020, the Members took their seats.

The Honourable Janet Austin, 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:

We begin by acknowledging the Lekwungen peoples, the Songhees and Esquimalt First Nations, upon whose traditional territories we are gathered today.

As we open the fifth session of the 41st Parliament, we pause to remember the British Columbians we have lost in the past year.

At least 57 Canadians perished on Ukrainian International Airlines Flight 752 in Iran on January 8. Fifteen of them called B.C. home. Our thoughts are with their families and the Iranian-Canadian community, who are coping with tremendous loss.

We recognize appointed and elected officials who served British Columbians and this Legislature: Conflict of Interest Commissioner Paul Fraser, QC; the Honourable Ted Hughes; former MLAs Gillian Trumper and Norman Jacobsen.

We thank those who stepped forward to serve at the local level: Oak Bay Mayor Nils Jensen, and Vancouver councillors May Brown and B.C. Lee.

We honour the public servants who passed away this year, including forester Peter Fuglem, BC Parks employee Micah Messent, BC Mail employee Martin Payne, and conservationist Al Martin.

We are grateful to the people who shaped B.C. arts and culture: writer Wayson Choy, actor Godfrey Gao, singer John Mann, Coast Salish artist Gus Modeste, and painter Gordon Smith.

We recognize leaders in sport: Soccer player Brandon Bassi, mountain biker Jordie Lunn, and basketball player and Olympian Eli Pasquale.

And Indigenous leaders and Elders: Former shísháhl Chief Stan Dixon, Dr. Frank William Maloway, Oscar Mercer, and George Saddleman.

These British Columbians inspired us with their achievements and honoured us with their friendship.

We are grateful to have known them.

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British Columbia is a province with limitless potential.
But for a long time, many people have been feeling stuck.
The benefits of B.C.'s economy were not fairly shared.
Tax breaks went to the people at the top, while life became more expensive for everyone else.
At the same time, improvements to health care were delayed.
Schools were closed or overcrowded.
Wages didn't grow.
And opportunity seemed increasingly out of reach.
For many British Columbians, their future in this province was in question.
Young people weren't sure they could stay in the communities where they grew up.
Families wondered how long they could hang on.
And too many people felt that no matter how hard they worked, they were falling behind.
Two and a half years ago, government set out to change this.
Supported by the Confidence and Supply Agreement with the BC Green Party Caucus, this government started making different choices.
It started putting people first again.
In its first 100 days, government took big money out of politics, toughened lobbying rules, and set the terms for a referendum on electoral reform.
In the first 100 days, government raised taxes on the top 2% and used the revenues to fund the schools, hospitals and public services people needed.
In the first 100 days, government raised the minimum wage, removed unfair bridge tolls, lifted income assistance and disability rates, and reduced interest on student loans.
And in the first 100 days, government eliminated fees for Adult Basic Education and English Language Learning, and made post-secondary education for former kids-in-care tuition free.
In its first year, government rolled up its sleeves and took on the bigger problems – problems that were years in the making.
This government brought forward a housing plan to increase supply, curb demand, and crack down on speculation and fraud.
And a universal child care plan, to provide affordable, quality care to every family that needs it.
In its first year, government got to work on a climate action plan to reduce emissions and create jobs and opportunities for people.
And in its first year, government took the first steps toward meaningful reconciliation with Indigenous peoples.
Government did all of these things because British Columbians deserve security, stability, and opportunity.
They deserve to be confident in their future.
To get there, people deserve a government that works as hard as they do.
A government that shares their priorities and is working to make life better.
After two and a half years, your government's choices are leading to progress for people.
As British Columbians greet this new day, and a new decade, they are starting to move forward.

PROGRESS FOR PEOPLE

Today, more British Columbians are waking up with a safe and secure roof over their heads.
Thousands of people who were homeless now have supportive housing and the chance at a fresh start.
Renters have more rights and protections, and annual rent increases have been held down to the rate of inflation.

Empty homes are turning into housing for people.

Today, when British Columbians check their mail, they are relieved to no longer receive an MSP bill, because government has eliminated this tax.

Starting in October, they can expect a new piece of mail, with a Child Opportunity Benefit for families that need it most.

And when they review their bank statements, many families have more money left at the end of the month than they did three years ago.

As British Columbians open their front door, they can see progress taking root.

New child care spaces are opening in their neighbourhoods.

This government has funded more than 10,000 new spaces throughout the province.

As the morning school bell rings, thousands of B.C. parents are dropping off their children at new and safe schools.

Students are learning in the smallest average class sizes in a generation, and they are succeeding at an unprecedented rate.

With the support of B.C.'s dedicated and professional teachers and support staff, nearly 90% of B.C. students are completing secondary school, including almost 70% of Indigenous students, the highest rate in B.C. history.

As they commute to school and work, British Columbians have more ways to get around.

There are more buses, SkyTrain cars, rapid transit, and active transportation options than ever before.

More drivers are choosing electric vehicles and taking advantage of government rebates that make clean options more affordable.

On their commutes, British Columbians pass by building sites for new and upgraded hospitals.

In less than three years, this government has moved forward on 13 hospital projects.

In these facilities, there are more surgeries and diagnostic tests for waiting patients.

And thanks to the FeedBC program, more people in our hospitals are eating healthy, nutritious, local B.C. food.

As they move through their communities, British Columbians will notice infrastructure projects underway, like the Pattullo Bridge replacement, the Highway 1 expansion, and the final phase of the Kicking Horse Canyon project.

These projects are being built with Community Benefit Agreements, which provide good jobs for local people and apprenticeship opportunities for women, Indigenous peoples and groups under-represented in the trades.

Today, British Columbians live in a province that provides better support for the most vulnerable.

B.C. has a homelessness action plan, and a strategy to lift people and families out of poverty.

There is a pathway to hope for mental health, with more supports for children, youth and families to set them up for a lifetime of health and wellness.

With changes to child welfare rules, government is helping more families stay together.

B.C. has the lowest number of children and youth in care in 30 years.

And more youth from care than ever before are getting educational, cost of living, and other supports through Agreements with Young Adults.

Today, British Columbians have more opportunities to participate in recreation, sport, arts and culture.

With more funding for the BC Arts Council, artists and creators have more support to inspire others.

In the future, people will be able to visit renewed cultural institutions, like the Royal BC Museum and the Vancouver Art Gallery, as well as a new Chinese Canadian museum.

Today, British Columbians are more connected, to their communities and each other.

Coastal communities have had ferry service restored, and fares have been frozen or reduced.

Thousands more families in remote, rural, and Indigenous communities have high-speed internet, creating opportunities for business and economic growth.

BC Bus North is giving people a safe, affordable option to get around northern regions of the province.

And despite global headwinds, British Columbians are enjoying the benefits of a strong and resilient economy.

Wages have gone up.

Unemployment is the lowest in Canada, and has been for two years running.

B.C. leads the country in economic growth.

All the while, this government has delivered balanced budgets, and maintained B.C.'s triple-A credit rating.

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At home, in our communities, and throughout our province, people are starting to make progress.

They are more able to face the challenges ahead, because they know they aren't alone.

They have a government that is a partner in their future.

It's been two and a half years, but the hard work has only just begun.

MAKING LIFE MORE AFFORDABLE

Years of rising costs, and no relief, left many people falling behind.

This government has done a lot to help families save money.

But costs are still too high, and British Columbians deserve the chance to get ahead.

This government is working hard to make everyday life a little easier.

MORE HOUSING FOR PEOPLE

Government has been working hard to fix the housing crisis.

For too long, speculators treated B.C. real estate like a stock market, and criminals used it as a place to store dirty money.

This government's speculation and vacancy tax is turning empty homes into housing.

And a public inquiry into money laundering will make sure B.C.'s economy is working for people, not organized crime.

This government is building housing for people of all incomes, from people experiencing homelessness to middle-income families.

Every week, new projects are being funded, builders are breaking ground, and people are moving into safe and secure homes.

Non-profit partnerships, government-funded, and private-sector projects are creating tens of thousands of new, affordable homes for people of all ages and stages of life.

All told, this government's plan will see 114,000 new homes built over 10 years.

As this work continues, government is taking additional steps to make sure every British Columbian has a safe, affordable home.

This government is working with municipalities to speed up approvals and encourage them to make full use of rental zoning.

And this year, government will act on the recommendations of the Rental Housing Task Force, to provide more security for renters, and relieve them of the burden of fighting unfair or illegal renovations on their own.

CLEANING UP ICBC

While housing is every family's first affordability challenge, car insurance is a close second.

B.C. drivers are simply paying too much.

Premiums soared after years of mismanagement and neglect that saw hundreds of millions taken out of ICBC.

By 2017, the corporation was nearly insolvent and racking up billion-dollar deficits.

Last year, this government introduced major reforms to get ICBC out of the red.

These first steps have been effective.

The corporation is on more stable fiscal footing, and there will be no increase to basic rates this year.

But insurance rates are still far too expensive.

That is why this government is transforming ICBC.

It is taking costly legal fees out of the system, and giving people enhanced coverage for medical care.

Next year, when drivers renew, they can expect insurance rates to go down by an average of 20%.

Lower rates, the care you need, and more fairness and accountability.

That's what a better ICBC is all about.

FAIR PRICING FOR CONSUMERS

This government is taking steps to stop big companies from gouging consumers.

Legislation passed last year will give B.C. drivers more information about how companies set gasoline prices.

This spring, new rules for live-event ticket sales will come into force, stopping ticket bots in their tracks and making costs more transparent.

And later this month, B.C. government representatives will travel to Ottawa to fight for more affordable cellphone plan options and transparency in billing.

LIFTING UP WAGES

A life that's more affordable is one where people earn a fair wage.

In June 2020, B.C.'s minimum wage will go up to \$14.60 an hour.

By 2021, it will reach \$15.20 an hour, fulfilling this government's commitment to B.C.'s lowest-paid workers.

This year, government will once again lift earnings exemptions for people on disability and income assistance, allowing people to earn more money and support them in re-entering the workforce.

Last year, this government passed legislation giving workers fleeing domestic violence up to 10 days of unpaid job-protected leave.

This year, B.C. is taking the next step and providing these workers with paid leave, for up to five days.

And this spring, government will take steps to provide more support to workers who have suffered job-related sickness or injury.

CREATING AFFORDABLE CHILD CARE

Two years ago, this government put B.C. on the path to universal child care.

Tens of thousands of families are already feeling the benefits.

Fee reductions and the affordable child care benefit have put more money back in families' pockets.

And parents are bringing their skills back into the workforce, benefiting local business and the economy.

There is more work to do to help British Columbians find quality child care they can afford.

Government continues to train more Early Childhood Educators, to make sure B.C. has the professional, caring and skilled child care workers it needs.

Those Early Childhood Educators are now earning higher wages, with an additional \$1-per-hour increase coming April 1 for those working in licensed care.

As work on universal child care continues, this government will work to increase the number of spaces for school-aged children, and partner with school districts to create more before- and after-school care.

BETTER PUBLIC SERVICES

Years of minimal increases to public services left communities frustrated, and people without the supports they needed.

Those years represent a lost opportunity for people, businesses and economic growth.

This government is working hard to restore public services and make opportunities available to everyone.

INVESTING IN EDUCATION

This government is speeding up investments in quality public education.

Since July 2017, this government has funded more than 80 school capital projects, each one representing a newer, better, or safer school for B.C. students.

In the coming year, British Columbians will see even more seismic upgrades, school replacements, and land purchases for future schools.

Instead of falling behind, school districts are now looking ahead, and planning for new schools in growing communities.

Inside these new schools, students have more learning support, with 4,200 new teachers, almost 2,000 new education assistants, 700 new special education teachers, and nearly 200 teacher-psychologists and counsellors.

Their professional, skilled, and caring support is crucial to student success.

Teachers, parents, and school trustees have long advocated for better supports for B.C. students that need it most.

This year, for the first time, children and youth in care will be recognized with a new funding supplement.

And government will expand priority funding to children with mental-health challenges, and children from low-income families.

This means that schools can provide more supports like trauma counselling, school breakfast or lunch programs, tutoring, and mentoring.

And government will continue to provide dedicated funding supports for Indigenous learners.

OPENING DOORS TO POST-SECONDARY

When people have the opportunity to learn a new skill or trade, it benefits them, their families, and our province as a whole.

More than 1,100 former youth in care are getting a post-secondary education tuition-free.

And more than 20,000 people have upgraded their skills in tuition-free Adult Basic Education and English Language Learning.

Hundreds of new training spaces in computer science, technology, engineering, and the skilled trades are helping people hone their skills and find a job that fits.

And more funding for employment programs, co-ops and work-integrated learning opportunities are helping young people get a better start.

This government's work to open the doors of opportunity to students and people continuing their learning isn't done.

Budget 2019 eliminated interest on all B.C. student loans, and Budget 2020 will help people starting post-secondary, skills training and certificate programs.

BETTER HEALTH CARE

This government is making big investments in public health care, and with it, the health of every British Columbian.

Since July 2017, this government has moved forward on 13 hospital projects, and opened 12 urgent and primary care centres.

Five hip and knee replacement programs are up and running, with 14 more on the way.

In the first year of its diagnostic strategy, government exceeded its targets for MRI exams, with nearly 44,000 more performed throughout B.C. compared to 2017-18.

By purchasing more MRI machines, and running existing ones longer, B.C. has improved wait times in all regions.

This year, B.C. will complete even more, giving people the diagnostic care they've been waiting for.

This government is also making sure our elderly get the dignified care they deserve.

Last year, B.C. added funding for more than one million hours of direct care for seniors in long-term care homes.

As a result, B.C. has now doubled the number of facilities that meet or exceed the target of 3.36 hours of direct care per resident day.

And the number of long-term care homes that provided fewer than 2.9 hours per resident day has dropped from 75 to four.

None of this would be possible without the skilled and dedicated health-care professionals that care for people every day.

This government is doing everything it can to recruit more doctors, nurses, nurse practitioners, and other health-care professionals.

Government is opening up training seats for health-care assistants, specialty nurses, and health-care specialist positions.

And government is treating workers fairly, by honouring collective agreements and protecting successorship rights.

Your government will keep working hard to deliver faster, better health care for people, closer to home.

SUPPORTING MENTAL HEALTH

People in B.C. expect an urgent and comprehensive response to the overdose crisis – one that includes prevention, enforcement, harm reduction, and treatment and recovery.

This government's efforts are making a difference.

Since the crisis began, at least 4,700 deaths have been averted, thanks to expanded harm reduction and treatment options.

Your government is working hard to create a seamless system of mental health and addictions care, where no one gets left behind.

The Pathway to Hope mental health roadmap includes early intervention and prevention for children and youth, in schools, homes and communities.

Youth and their families can access wraparound care at community Foundry centres, with eight already open and 11 on the way.

More people in B.C. can access low- or no-cost programs for mental health and addictions challenges.

And more Indigenous communities are planning, designing and delivering services based on their own mental health priorities.

SAFER COMMUNITIES

British Columbians deserve to feel safe in the communities they call home.

This government is acting to fight crime and gangs.

Government has expanded education and prevention programs, to help stop kids from entering gang life.

This spring, new legislation will give police more tools to block the use of illegal firearms and ban guns from schools, colleges, universities, and hospitals.

For years, policing resources have not kept up with growth in rural B.C.

This year, government will increase support to police services and First Nations policing for rural communities.

A MORE INCLUSIVE PROVINCE

Feeling safe in your community is also about having a place in your community.

At a time when hate and intolerance is on the rise, this government is working to keep people safe and protect the diversity that makes B.C. strong.

The lived experience of women, people of colour, gender-diverse people, and people with disabilities tells us we have more work to do to build a more inclusive province.

That's why this government renewed the human rights commission, and created a provincewide anti-racism network to combat hate and prejudice.

It's why this government pursues gender equity, and increased funding to organizations that help women and children leaving violence.

It's why this government is working with partners to make communities more accessible to people of all abilities.

It's why this government supports SOGI initiatives in B.C. schools, and the United Way Period Promise for free menstrual products in school washrooms.

Everyone has a place in this province – she, he, and they.

It is not enough to believe in these values.

Governments must act on them.

This government will continue the work to advance equality, diversity, human rights, and mutual respect.

Because a better B.C. is one where everyone is included and free to be who they are.

RECONCILIATION WITH INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

Reconciliation with Indigenous peoples is a matter of rights, respect, and justice.

It is a journey we are on together.

And it must last for generations.

For two and a half years, this government has worked in partnership with Indigenous peoples to make progress on reconciliation.

It has made major investments in Indigenous priorities like language revitalization, funding for Aboriginal friendship centres, culturally appropriate health care and mental-health supports, and Indigenous housing on- and off-reserve.

Last year, B.C. transferred the first two years of funding, as part of a commitment that will see \$3 billion in provincial gaming revenues shared with First Nations over 25 years.

This means First Nations can invest in self-government, cultural revitalization, and services that make life better for families.

Reconciliation is rooted in the recognition of Indigenous rights as human rights.

This government committed to implementing the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

Many said it could not be done.

But this government challenged the status quo.

It partnered with the First Nations Leadership Council to write a new law.

And B.C. made history when this legislature unanimously endorsed the *Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act*.

It was a proud moment in this province's history.

But the work has only just begun.

The next step is an action plan, which government will develop in collaboration with Indigenous peoples.

A STRONG, SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY

A strong economy cannot be built on a foundation of rampant real estate speculation.

It cannot be won in a race to the bottom, with minimum standards and fewer workplace protections.

And it cannot be gained through windfall profits earned on the backs of low-wage workers.

Instead, a strong economy comes from good-paying jobs that raise family incomes and everyone's standard of living.

It is built with quality public services as a cornerstone; services that help B.C. grow, attract, and keep its skilled workforce.

A strong economy is rooted in competitiveness, a necessary ingredient for success in today's global marketplace.

And it is in harmony with government's commitments to fight climate change and achieve meaningful reconciliation with Indigenous peoples.

These are the values that guide this government's actions to build a sustainable economy that puts people first.

The challenges we face – from worsening weather, to global economic headwinds – make this work more urgent than ever.

As this government charts a new course to a low-carbon economy, powered by CleanBC, British Columbians can rest assured:

Not only will we weather these storms, we will create the conditions for people and industry to thrive.

INNOVATION AND CLIMATE ACTION

CleanBC is a critical part of this government's strategy to grow a sustainable economy with good jobs and opportunities for people.

It's been one year since CleanBC was launched, and British Columbians are starting to see that the way to a cleaner, better future is by innovating and working together.

People have cleaner options for getting around, heating our homes, and fuelling industry.

And more communities are investing in clean energy and green building projects.

B.C.'s world-leading clean-tech and renewable-energy industries will help our province reduce emissions and protect our clean air, water, and land.

Thanks to the Confidence and Supply Agreement, B.C.'s first Innovation Commissioner has helped advance tech and innovation, by building relationships and helping companies access talent and capital.

And the Emerging Economy Task Force will help B.C. stay at the forefront of emerging economic developments and address the challenges and opportunities ahead.

Your government is looking at ways to build on the successes of both of these initiatives.

As CleanBC enters its second year, government will bring people together to fight pollution, reduce emissions and build a sustainable, innovative, and prosperous economy.

This year, government will release a plastics action plan to reduce plastic pollution and keep it out of B.C.'s landfills and waterways.

Also this year, a climate adaptation strategy will make sure B.C. communities are ready for changes in weather and other climate impacts.

This government will work with business to promote B.C. industries as competitive suppliers of low-carbon products.

By positioning B.C. as a supplier of choice, this government will grow markets for B.C. products while reducing global emissions.

In export markets where global players have not adopted carbon pricing, B.C.'s energy-intensive industries need to stay competitive.

Government and business are partnering to support these industries, so that we can grow B.C. jobs while meeting our emission targets across all sectors.

As the only G7 nation with free-trade access to the United States, Europe and Asia Pacific, Canada – and especially British Columbia – has unique trade and investment opportunities around the world.

This government's commitment to reduce carbon emissions can be a competitive advantage throughout B.C.'s trade and investment network.

As work gets underway on the LNG Canada project – the largest private-sector investment in Canadian history – this government is seeking ways to reduce emissions overall.

Work continues on electrification initiatives to reduce emissions from B.C.'s gas fields, in partnership with the federal government.

B.C. and Washington State are partnering on a Clean Grid Initiative to use clean, affordable energy to power the region's economy.

And government is supporting development of LNG bunkering in B.C. ports, reducing greenhouse gas emissions here and everywhere LNG-powered vessels operate.

STRENGTH IN NATURAL RESOURCES

The promise of new economic opportunities extends to B.C.'s natural resources.

Mining, forestry, agriculture, and energy continue to generate good jobs for people and financial returns to government.

These industries can play a leading role in supporting innovation that helps B.C. achieve its economic, climate, and reconciliation goals.

This government's Food Security Task Force has proposed new ways to use technology to maximize B.C.'s rich agricultural land – wisely preserved nearly 50 years ago – so we can produce more food and grow new business opportunities.

From the copper needed for electric cars, to the metallurgical coal that makes wind turbines, the world needs B.C. minerals and metals.

This government is working to keep mining competitive and create good jobs, by making mineral exploration tax credits permanent and permitting more efficient.

As a generator of clean hydroelectricity, BC Hydro is helping us switch to renewable energy, in B.C. and in global markets.

And to fuel the transformation underway in forestry, this government has directed that all future public infrastructure projects be built with B.C. engineered wood wherever possible.

The transition from high volume to high value has been difficult for forest workers and their communities.

A wave of mill closures and curtailments driven by changes in global markets, reduced supply, wildfire losses and the mountain pine beetle, has left many people hurting.

It could be argued that the previous government did not take adequate steps to address the changes it well knew were coming.

This has made the current situation even more difficult for people today.

This government's first priority is helping communities that are struggling.

There are job placement and skills training opportunities for workers, bridge loans for logging contractors on the coast, and grants for hard-hit communities.

As government addresses the needs of workers and communities, it is also taking the first steps in fixing systemic issues the previous government ignored.

In the Interior, government is bringing together forest companies, workers, local governments and First Nations to find local solutions that help the industry stay competitive and maximize available resources.

And on the coast, a revitalization strategy will see fewer logs shipped offshore, and better use of waste wood.

There is no overnight fix for problems created by years of neglect.

These solutions will help forestry – a foundational B.C. industry – get back on the right track.

PLANNING FOR GROWTH

The good jobs and opportunities of a sustainable economy should be available to everyone, in every community.

This government is promoting quality economic growth that increases wages, generates revenues to fund public services, and shares the benefits of growth broadly throughout the province.

By promoting a strong, sustainable tourism sector, this government is offering visitors authentic and unforgettable experiences that drive economic growth in all regions.

By expanding high-speed internet in nearly 500 rural, remote, and Indigenous communities since July 2017, this government is closing the digital divide and creating opportunities for growth.

By supporting the innovation corridor in the Fraser Valley, and creating a new quantum computing institute at SFU Surrey, this government is helping distribute the benefits of a sustainable economy throughout the Lower Mainland.

For people in the valley, that means more opportunities for a good-paying job, more options for housing, a shorter commute, and more time with family.

B.C. will add one million people to its population over the next 10 years, putting pressure on B.C.'s transportation and trade corridors.

British Columbians are already spending too much time in gridlock.

This government is getting people moving.

Government's partnerships with local governments means that work is already underway on a long-term vision for transit and transportation in the Lower Mainland.

British Columbians can look forward to more options like rapid transit, HOV lanes and commuter rail out to the Fraser Valley, and high-speed rail connections with our neighbours to the south.

Not all of this growth is happening in the Lower Mainland.

This government is taking an all-of-B.C. approach with an integrated transportation plan to reduce congestion, and build for trade and business growth.

To keep people and goods moving, government is extending its transportation capital plan from three years to five years.

This change will allow for better planning of major projects like the George Massey crossing.

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British Columbians are proud of this province, our people and our way of life.

They love where they live, and they want to stay.

As you begin a new legislative session, this government calls on you to keep the people of B.C. at the centre of your work.

Their future – our future – depends on the choices we make.

This government will continue the work it started two and a half years ago to make life better for people.

With more child care, more housing, and good jobs with high wages.

With affordable, livable communities, resilient in the face of climate change.

Where all Indigenous peoples are full partners in shaping our province's future.
A province full of people who are skilled, confident and ready for the road ahead.
A place of hope and opportunity.
A stronger province – for everyone.

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. *D. Eby* (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. *M. Farnworth*, seconded by Ms. *Polak*, it was *Ordered*—
That *Raj Chouhan*, Member for Burnaby-Edmonds Electoral District, be appointed Deputy Speaker for this session of the Legislative Assembly.

On the motion of Ms. *Polak*, seconded by the Hon. *M. Farnworth*, it was *Ordered*—
That *Simon Gibson*, Member for Abbotsford-Mission Electoral District, be appointed Assistant Deputy Speaker for this session of the Legislative Assembly.

On the motion of the Hon. *M. Farnworth*, seconded by Ms. *Polak*, it was *Ordered*—
That *Spencer Chandra Herbert*, Member for Vancouver-West End 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. *D. Eby* (Attorney General), it was *Ordered*—
That the Votes and Proceedings of this House be printed, being first perused by the Speaker, and that he do appoint the printing thereof, and that no person but such as he shall appoint do presume to print the same.

The Hon. *J. Horgan* (Premier) moved that the Select Standing Committees of this 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;
8. Children and Youth;
9. Agriculture, Fish and Food;

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. *M. Farnworth* (Convener), *Garry Begg*, *Janet Routledge*, *Jagrup Brar*, *Ronna-Rae Leonard*, *Mary Polak*, *Eric Foster*, *Jackie Tegar*, *Greg Kylo* and *Sonia Furstenu*.

Motion agreed to.

And then the House adjourned at 2.55 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Wednesday, February 12, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O’CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Brar*.

Order called for “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

By leave, the Hon. *M. Farnworth* moved—

That a Special Committee be appointed to select and unanimously recommend to the Legislative Assembly the appointment of an individual as Auditor General, pursuant to section 2 of the *Auditor General Act* (S.B.C. 2003, c. 2).

That the Special Committee have the powers of a Select Standing Committee and in addition be empowered to:

- a) appoint of its number, one or more subcommittees and to refer to such subcommittees any of the matters referred to the Special Committee and to delegate to the subcommittees all or any of its powers except the power to report directly to the House;
- b) 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) adjourn from place to place as may be convenient; and
- d) retain such personnel as required to assist the Special Committee.

That any information or evidence previously under consideration by the Special Committee appointed by order of the House on October 10, 2019 be referred to the Special Committee.

That the Special Committee 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.

By leave, the Hon. *M. Farnworth* moved—

That a Special Committee be appointed to select and unanimously recommend to the Legislative Assembly the appointment of an individual to exercise the powers and duties assigned to the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia pursuant to statutory provisions, the Standing Orders of the Legislative Assembly, and the position description approved by the Legislative Assembly Management Committee on October 23, 2019.

That the Special Committee have the powers of a Select Standing Committee and in addition be empowered to:

- a) appoint of its number, one or more subcommittees and to refer to such subcommittees any of the matters referred to the Special Committee and to delegate to the subcommittees all or any of its powers except the power to report directly to the House;
- b) 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) adjourn from place to place as may be convenient; and
- d) retain such personnel as required to assist the Special Committee.

That any information or evidence previously under consideration by the Special Committee appointed by order of the House on May 30, 2019 be referred to the Special Committee.

That the Special Committee report to the House as soon as possible, or following any adjournment, or at the next following session, as the case may be; to deposit the original of its reports with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly during a period of adjournment and upon resumption of the sittings of the House, the Chair shall present all reports to the Legislative Assembly.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *C. James* (Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier) tabled the Province of British Columbia Forty-Third Annual Report pursuant to the *Public Service Benefit Plan Act, Year Ended March 31, 2019*.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Ms. *Dean* moved, seconded by Mr. *Kahlon*—

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

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.52 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Thursday, February 13, 2020

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Malcolmson*.

The Hon. *C. Trevena* (Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 2) intituled *Motor Vehicle Amendment Act, 2020* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
February 8, 2020.*

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. *D’Eith* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services, Annual Review of the Budgets of Statutory Offices for the fourth session of the Forty-first Parliament (Third), December 2019.

The Report was taken as read and received.

By leave, Mr. *D’Eith* moved that the Report be adopted.

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* presented the Report of the Special Committee of Selection for the fifth session of the Forty-first Parliament (First), February 13, 2020.

DOUGLAS FIR COMMITTEE ROOM,
PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS,
FEBRUARY 13, 2020

MR. SPEAKER:

The Special Committee of Selection appointed on February 11, 2020 to prepare and report lists of Members to compose the Committees of this House, reports and recommends that the following is the list of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees and two Special Committees for the present session:

SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS—*Jennifer Rice* (Convener), *Donna Barnett*, *Doug Clovechok*, *Mitzi Dean*, *Ravi Kahlon*, *Greg Kylo*, *Adam Olsen*, *Nicholas Simons*, *Steve Thomson*.

SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, FISH AND FOOD—*Doug Routley* (Convener), *Donna Barnett*, *Mike Morris*, *Adam Olsen*, *Ian Paton*, *Nicholas Simons*, *Jinny Sims*, *Rachna Singh*, *Jackie Tegart*.

SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH—*Nicholas Simons* (Convener), *Rick Glumac*, *Ronna-Rae Leonard*, *Adam Olsen*, *Ellis Ross*, *Rachna Singh*, *Michelle Stilwell*, *Laurie Throness*, *Teresa Wat*.

SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON CROWN CORPORATIONS—*Bowinn Ma* (Convener), *Stephanie Cadieux*, *Spencer Chandra Herbert*, *Jas Johal*, *Ravi Kahlon*, *Peter Milobar*, *Adam Olsen*, *Rachna Singh*, *Jordan Sturdy*.

SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION—*Jinny Sims* (Convener), *Garry Begg*, *Dan Davies*, *Bob D’Eith*, *Mable Elmore*, *Sonia Furstenuau*, *Simon Gibson*, *Linda Reid*, *Tom Shypitka*.

SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND GOVERNMENT SERVICES—*Bob D’Eith* (Convener), *Donna Barnett*, *Doug Clovechok*, *Rich Coleman*, *Mitzi Dean*, *Ronna-Rae Leonard*, *Nicholas Simons*.

SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH—*Rick Glumac* (Convener), *Donna Barnett*, *Jagrup Brar*, *Dan Davies*, *Sonia Furstenuau*, *Linda Larson*, *Ian Paton*, *Janet Routledge*, *Rachna Singh*.

SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVES—*Janet Routledge* (Convener), *Mike Bernier*, *Jagrup Brar*, *Mable Elmore*, *John Martin*, *Ellis Ross*, *Doug Routley*, *Todd Stone*, *Andrew Weaver*.

SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON PARLIAMENTARY REFORM, ETHICAL CONDUCT, STANDING ORDERS AND PRIVATE BILLS—*Jinny Sims* (Convener), *Jagrup Brar*, *Michael Lee*, *Ronna-Rae Leonard*, *Mike Morris*, *Adam Olsen*, *Janet Routledge*, *John Rustad*, *Laurie Throness*.

SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS—*Shirley Bond* (Convener), *Garry Begg*, *Mitzi Dean*, *Rick Glumac*, *Bowinn Ma*, *Ralph Sultan*, *Jane Thornthwaite*, *John Yap*.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO APPOINT AN AUDITOR GENERAL—*Doug Routley* (Convener), *Shirley Bond*, *Janet Routledge*, *Andrew Weaver*, *John Yap*.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO APPOINT A CLERK OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—*Garry Begg* (Convener), *Michael de Jong*, *Mitzi Dean*, *Sonia Furstenuau*, *Mary Polak*.

HON. M. FARNWORTH
CHAIR AND GOVERNMENT HOUSE LEADER

The Report was taken as read and received.

By leave, the Hon. *M. Farnworth* 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.

On the motion of the Hon. *H. Bains*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 11.58 a.m.

Thursday, February 13, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O’CLOCK P.M.

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

The Hon. *D. Eby* moved—

That, when the House next adjourns after the adoption of this motion, it do stand adjourned until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, February 18, 2020.

Motion agreed to.

And then the House adjourned at 5.50 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECCAS, *Speaker*

Tuesday, February 18, 2020

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Thorntwaite*.

The Hon. *G. Heyman* (Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 3) intituled *Environmental Management Amendment Act, 2020* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 8, 2020.

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, the Hon. *M. Farnworth* moved—

That the Select Standing Committee on Children and Youth be empowered to foster greater awareness and understanding among legislators and the public of the B.C. child welfare system, including the specific needs of Indigenous children, youth, families and communities, and in particular to:

1. Receive and review the annual service plan from the Representative for Children and Youth (the “Representative”) that includes a statement of goals and identifies specific objectives and performance measures that will be required to exercise the powers and perform the functions and duties of the Representative during the fiscal year;
2. Be the Committee to which the Representative reports, at least annually;
3. Refer to the Representative for investigation the critical injury or death of a child; and

4. Receive and consider all reports and plans transmitted by the Representative to the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

That, in addition to the powers previously conferred upon Select Standing Committees of the House, the Select Standing Committee on Children and Youth be empowered to:

- (a) appoint of its number one or more subcommittees and to refer to such subcommittees any of the matters referred to the Committee and to delegate to the subcommittees all or any of its powers except the power to report directly to the House;
- (b) 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) conduct consultations by any means the Committee considers appropriate;
- (d) adjourn from place to place as may be convenient; and
- (e) 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.

By leave, the Hon. *M. Farnworth* moved—

That the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services be empowered to:

Examine, inquire into and make recommendations with respect to the budget consultation paper prepared by the Minister of Finance in accordance with section 2 of the *Budget Transparency and Accountability Act* (S.B.C. 2000, c. 23) 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; and
- (b) Prepare a report no later than November 15, 2020, on the results of those consultations.

That the Committee be empowered to consider and make recommendations on the annual reports, rolling three-year service plans and budgets of the statutory officers, namely, the:

- (i) Auditor General
- (ii) Chief Electoral Officer
- (iii) Conflict of Interest Commissioner
- (iv) Human Rights Commissioner
- (v) Information and Privacy Commissioner
- (vi) Merit Commissioner
- (vii) Ombudsperson
- (viii) Police Complaint Commissioner
- (ix) Representative for Children and Youth

and that the Committee be empowered to inquire into and make recommendations with respect to other matters brought to the Committee's attention by any of the aforementioned statutory officers.

That the Committee be designated as the Committee referred to in sections 19, 20, 21 and 23 of the *Auditor General Act* (R.S.B.C. 2003, c. 2) and that the report in section 22 of the *Auditor General Act* (R.S.B.C. 2003, c. 2) be referred to the Committee.

That, in addition to the powers previously conferred upon the Select Standing Committees of the House, the Committee be empowered to:

- (a) appoint of its number one or more subcommittees and to refer to such subcommittees any of the matters referred to the Committee and to delegate to the subcommittees all or any of its powers except the power to report directly to the House;
- (b) 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) conduct consultations by any means the Committee considers appropriate;
- (d) adjourn from place to place as may be convenient; and
- (e) 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.

By leave, the Hon. *M. Farnworth* moved—

That all reports of the Auditor General of British Columbia transmitted to the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly be deemed referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts. For greater certainty, the following exceptions are provided:

1. The report referred to in section 22 of the *Auditor General Act* (S.B.C. 2003, c. 2) shall be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services; and

2. Reports of the Auditor General respecting the Legislative Assembly prepared under the statutory provisions of the *Legislative Assembly Management Committee Act* (R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 258) shall be referred to the Legislative Assembly Management Committee.

That the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts be the Committee referred to in sections 6, 7, 10, 13 and 14 of the *Auditor General Act* (S.B.C. 2003, c. 2).

That, in addition to the powers previously conferred upon the Select Standing Committees of the House, the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts be empowered to:

- (a) appoint of its number one or more subcommittees and to refer to such subcommittees any of the matters referred to the Committee and to delegate to the subcommittees all or any of its powers except the power to report directly to the House;
- (b) 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) adjourn from place to place as may be convenient; and
- (d) 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.

By leave, the Hon. *M. Farnworth* moved—

That a Special Committee be appointed to review the *Personal Information Protection Act* (S.B.C. 2003, c. 73) pursuant to section 59 of that Act and that the Special Committee shall have the powers of a Select Standing Committee and, in addition, be empowered to:

- (a) appoint of its number one or more subcommittees and to refer to such subcommittees any of the matters referred to the Special Committee and to delegate to the subcommittees all or any of its powers except the power to report directly to the House;

- (b) 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) conduct consultations by any means the Special Committee considers appropriate;
- (d) adjourn from place to place as may be convenient; and
- (e) retain personnel as required to assist the Special Committee;

and shall submit a report, including any recommendations respecting the results of the review, to the Legislative Assembly within one year of this motion being adopted by the House; and shall 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 be composed of the following Members: *Rachna Singh* (Convener), *Dan Ashton*, *Mable Elmore*, *Adam Olsen*, and *Steve Thomson*.

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.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.53 a.m.

Tuesday, February 18, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O’CLOCK P.M.

By agreement, a blessing was offered by Shirley Alphonse, Elder, T’Sou-ke Nation.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

On the motion of the Hon. *C. James* (Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier), 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. *C. James* (Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith:
Estimates—Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2021; and
Supplement to the Estimates—Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2021;
and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
February 14, 2020.*

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

The Hon. *C. James* (Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier) moved, seconded by the Hon. *J. Horgan* (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. *Bond* adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

The Hon. *C. James* (Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 4) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2020* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 13, 2020.

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. James* (Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier) tabled the following documents:

Government’s Strategic Plan, 2020/21 – 2022/23 required under the *Budget Transparency and Accountability Act*;

Budget and Fiscal Plan, 2020/21 – 2022/23 required under section 7 of the *Budget Transparency and Accountability Act*;

Ministry Service Plans: Office of the Premier; Ministry of Advanced Education, Skills and Training; Ministry of Agriculture; Ministry of Attorney General and Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General; Ministry of Children and Family Development; Ministry of Citizens’ Services; Ministry of Education; Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources; Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy; Ministry of Finance; Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development; Ministry of Health; Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation; Ministry of Jobs, Economic Development and Competitiveness; Ministry of Labour; Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions; Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing; Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction; Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture; Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure;

Crown Agency Service Plans: BC Assessment Authority; BC Council for International Education; BC Family Maintenance Agency; BC Financial Services Authority; BC Games Society; BC Housing Management Commission; BC Hydro and Power Authority; BC Immigrant Investment Fund Ltd.; BC Infrastructure Benefits Inc.; BC Liquor Distribution Branch; BC Lottery Corporation; BC Oil and Gas Commission; BC Pavilion Corporation; BC Securities Commission; BC Transit; Columbia Basin Trust; Columbia Power Corporation; Community Living BC; Destination BC; First Peoples’ Heritage, Language and Culture Council; Forest Enhancement Society of BC; Forestry Innovation Investment Ltd.; Industry Training Authority; Innovate BC; Insurance Corporation of British Columbia; Knowledge Network Corporation; Legal Services Society; Partnerships BC; Real Estate Council of BC; Royal BC Museum Corporation; Transportation Investment Corporation;

List of Organizations that have been exempted from Section 13 of the *Budget Transparency and Accountability Act*, and for which service plans are not being filed.

And then the House adjourned at 2.48 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Wednesday, February 19, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Letnick*.

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

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

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

*Government House,
February 13, 2020.*

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."

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.50 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Thursday, February 20, 2020

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Barnett*.

On the motion of Mr. *Stone*, Bill (No. M 201) intituled *Assessment (Split Assessment Classification) Amendment Act, 2020* 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. *D. Plecas* (Speaker) tabled the following documents:

Representative for Children and Youth Report, From Marginalized to Magnified, Youth Homelessness Solutions From Those With Lived Expertise, A Youth First Voices Report, February 2020; and,

Representative for Children and Youth Special Report, Raising Young Peoples’ Voices on the Issue of Youth Homelessness, February 2020.

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.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.55 a.m.

Thursday, February 20, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O’CLOCK P.M.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.44 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Monday, February 24, 2020

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Brar*.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Order called for “Private Members’ Statements.”

2 By leave, Mr. *Rustad* moved—

Be it resolved that this House recognize that the forest industry operates on 22.5 million hectares and this land base needs to be preserved as a working forest.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

Monday, February 24, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O’CLOCK P.M.

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

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 9) intituled *Evidence Amendment Act, 2020* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
February 20, 2020.*

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. Robinson* (Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 10) intituled *Municipal Affairs and Housing Statutes Amendment Act, 2020* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
February 21, 2020.*

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.”

At the request of Mr. *Sultan*, the House observed a minute of silence in recognition of the death of Mr. Bob Lee.

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

The Hon. *D. Eby* (Attorney General) tabled the Judicial Compensation Commission, Final Report 2019, October 24, 2019.

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.20 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Tuesday, February 25, 2020

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Sims*.

On the motion of Mr. *Stone*, Bill (No. M 202) intituled *Strata Property Amendment Act, 2020* 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.”

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.54 a.m.

Tuesday, February 25, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O’CLOCK P.M.

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.20 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Wednesday, February 26, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O’CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by the Hon. *C. Trevena*.

Mr. *Brar* made a personal statement.

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

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 8) intituled *Education Statutes Amendment Act, 2020* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 13, 2020.

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.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.58 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Thursday, February 27, 2020

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Malcolmson*.

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

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 13) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2020* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 25, 2020.

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.”

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 House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—44

<i>Chouhan</i>	<i>Trevena</i>	<i>Singh</i>	<i>Fleming</i>
<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Chow</i>	<i>Darcy</i>	<i>Conroy</i>
<i>Begg</i>	<i>Kang</i>	<i>Simpson</i>	<i>Fraser</i>
<i>Brar</i>	<i>Simons</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Chandra Herbert</i>
<i>Heyman</i>	<i>D’Eith</i>	<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Rice</i>
<i>Donaldson</i>	<i>Sims</i>	<i>Horgan</i>	<i>Malcolmson</i>
<i>Mungall</i>	<i>Routley</i>	<i>James</i>	<i>Leonard</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Ma</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>Glumac</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Elmore</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>Furstenau</i>
<i>Chen</i>	<i>Dean</i>	<i>Ralston</i>	<i>Olsen</i>
<i>Popham</i>	<i>Routledge</i>	<i>Mark</i>	<i>Weaver</i>

NAYS—39

<i>Cadioux</i>	<i>Thornthwaite</i>	<i>Stilwell</i>	<i>Throness</i>
<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Paton</i>	<i>Ross</i>	<i>Tegart</i>
<i>Bond</i>	<i>Ashton</i>	<i>Oakes</i>	<i>Stewart</i>
<i>Polak</i>	<i>Barnett</i>	<i>Johal</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Wilkinson</i>	<i>Yap</i>	<i>Rustad</i>	<i>Foster</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Martin</i>	<i>Milobar</i>	<i>Gibson</i>
<i>Stone</i>	<i>Davies</i>	<i>Sturdy</i>	<i>Letnick</i>
<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Reid</i>	<i>Clovechok</i>	<i>Thomson</i>
<i>Kyllo</i>	<i>Sullivan</i>	<i>Shypitka</i>	<i>Larson</i>
<i>Bernier</i>	<i>Morris</i>	<i>Hunt</i>	

And then the House adjourned at 11.41 a.m.

Thursday, February 27, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O’CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* moved—

That this House hereby authorize 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. All Estimates shall stand referred to Section A, save and except those Estimates as shall be referred to Section B on motion without notice by the Government House Leader, which motion shall be decided without amendment or debate and be governed by Practice Recommendation #6 relating to consultation.

3. Section A shall consist of 17 Members, being 8 Members of the Government Caucus, 8 Members of the Official Opposition Caucus, and 1 member of the Third Party Caucus. 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 fifth session of the Forty-first Parliament, the Members of Section A shall be as follows: the Minister whose Estimates are under consideration and *Jagrup Brar, Mitzi Dean, Bob D’Eith, Mable Elmore, Rick Glumac, Jinny Sims, Rachna Singh, Dan Ashton, Peter Milobar, Ben Stewart, Jordan Sturdy, Ralph Sultan, Steve Thomson, Jane Thornthwaite, John Yap, and Sonia Furstenuau.*

4. 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 ministry Estimate, after such report has been made to the House, the Government shall have a maximum of seven minutes, the Official Opposition a maximum of four minutes, the Third Party a maximum of two minutes, and all other Members a maximum of one minute cumulatively to summarize the Committee debate on a particular ministry Estimate completed. Such summaries shall be in the following order:

- (1) Other Members;
- (2) Third Party;

(3) Official Opposition; and

(4) Government.

5. Section B shall be composed of all Members of the House.

6. Divisions in Section A will be signalled by the ringing of the division bells four times.

7. 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.

8. Section A 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 A, and for all purposes Section A shall be deemed to be a Committee of the Whole. Such referrals to Section A 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.

9. 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 sections 2 and 8 of this Order.

Motion agreed to.

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 7) intituled *Arbitration Act*, 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. 10) intituled *Municipal Affairs and Housing Statutes Amendment Act, 2020*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—42

Chouhan
Kahlon
Begg
Brar
Heyman
Mungall
Bains
Beare
Chen
Popham
Trevena

Chow
Kang
Simons
D'Eith
Sims
Routley
Ma
Elmore
Dean
Routledge
Singh

Darcy
Simpson
Robinson
Farnworth
Horgan
James
Eby
Dix
Ralston
Mark

Fleming
Conroy
Chandra Herbert
Rice
Malcolmson
Leonard
Glumac
Furstenau
Olsen
Weaver

NAYS—34

<i>Cadioux</i>	<i>Ashton</i>	<i>Ross</i>	<i>Tegart</i>
<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Barnett</i>	<i>Oakes</i>	<i>Stewart</i>
<i>Polak</i>	<i>Yap</i>	<i>Rustad</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Martin</i>	<i>Milobar</i>	<i>Foster</i>
<i>Stone</i>	<i>Davies</i>	<i>Sturdy</i>	<i>Gibson</i>
<i>Kyllo</i>	<i>Reid</i>	<i>Clovechok</i>	<i>Letnick</i>
<i>Bernier</i>	<i>Sullivan</i>	<i>Shypitka</i>	<i>Thomson</i>
<i>Thornthwaite</i>	<i>Morris</i>	<i>Hunt</i>	<i>Larson</i>
<i>Paton</i>	<i>Stilwell</i>		

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.

The Hon. *S. Robinson* reserved her right to raise a matter of privilege.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 3) intituled *Environmental Management Amendment Act, 2020*, a debate arose.

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

Mr. *Stone* withdrew his comments of earlier today.

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.

On the motion of the Hon. *C. Trevena*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.40 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Monday, March 2, 2020

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Larson*.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Order called for “Private Members’ Statements.”

3 By leave, Mr. *D'Eith* moved—

Be it resolved that this House support the government's actions taken to reduce economic inequality and increase affordability, thereby lifting people out of working poverty and lowering the number of people living paycheque to paycheque.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. *D'Eith*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 12 noon.

Monday, March 2, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

At the request of the Hon. *A. Kang*, the House observed a minute of silence in recognition of the death of Mr. Ian Donaldson.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. *Begg* presented the Report of the Special Committee to Appoint a Clerk of the Legislative Assembly for the fifth session of the Forty-first Parliament, March 2020.

The Report was taken as read and received.

By leave, Mr. *Begg* moved that the Report be adopted.

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

By leave, the Hon. *M. Farnworth* moved, seconded by Ms. *Polak* and Ms. *Furstenau*—

That effective immediately, Kate Ryan-Lloyd be appointed Clerk of the Legislative Assembly and hold the status of a permanent officer in accordance with section 39(1) of the *Constitution Act* (R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 66).

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

Bill (No. 10) intituled *Municipal Affairs and Housing Statutes Amendment Act, 2020* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 6.24 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Tuesday, March 3, 2020

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Stilwell*.

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

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 5) intituled *Employment Standards Amendment Act, 2020* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 13, 2020.

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 called for Committee of Supply.

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 8) intituled *Education Statutes Amendment Act, 2020*, a debate arose.

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

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress 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.

And then the House adjourned at 11.58 a.m.

Tuesday, March 3, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 8) intituled *Education Statutes Amendment Act, 2020*.

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. 2) intituled *Motor Vehicle Amendment Act, 2020*, 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.

Bill (No. 7) intituled *Arbitration Act* was committed.

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

Bill to be considered later today.

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.

On the motion of the Hon. *C. Trevena*, the debate was adjourned to later today.

Bill (No. 7) intituled *Arbitration Act* was again committed, reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

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.

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

The Speaker made a statement in respect of third reading of Bill (No. 7) intituled *Arbitration Act*, restating the question.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress 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.

And then the House adjourned at 6.20 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Wednesday, March 4, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O’CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Stone*.

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

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 11) intituled *Attorney General Statutes (Vehicle Insurance) Amendment Act, 2020* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 2, 2020.

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. James* (Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 12) intituled *Supply Act (No. 1), 2020* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 2, 2020.

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 Ms. *Polak*, Bill (No. M 203) intituled *Name Amendment Act, 2020* 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. *D. Eby* (Attorney General) tabled the BC Liquor Distribution Branch 2020/21 – 2022/23 Service Plan, February 2020 (Revised).

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

Bill (No. 3) intituled *Environmental Management Amendment Act, 2020* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 8) intituled *Education Statutes Amendment Act, 2020* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 13) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2020*, 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.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 9) intituled *Evidence Amendment Act, 2020*, a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—42

<i>Chouhan</i>	<i>Trevena</i>	<i>Singh</i>	<i>Mark</i>
<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Chow</i>	<i>Darcy</i>	<i>Fleming</i>
<i>Begg</i>	<i>Kang</i>	<i>Simpson</i>	<i>Conroy</i>
<i>Brar</i>	<i>Simons</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Fraser</i>
<i>Heyman</i>	<i>D’Eith</i>	<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Chandra Herbert</i>
<i>Donaldson</i>	<i>Sims</i>	<i>Horgan</i>	<i>Rice</i>
<i>Mungall</i>	<i>Routley</i>	<i>James</i>	<i>Malcolmson</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Ma</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>Leonard</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Elmore</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>Glumac</i>
<i>Chen</i>	<i>Dean</i>	<i>Ralston</i>	<i>Olsen</i>
<i>Popham</i>	<i>Routledge</i>		

NAYS—32

<i>Cadieux</i>	<i>Kyllo</i>	<i>Davies</i>	<i>Hunt</i>
<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Bernier</i>	<i>Reid</i>	<i>Throness</i>
<i>Bond</i>	<i>Thornthwaite</i>	<i>Sullivan</i>	<i>Tegart</i>
<i>Polak</i>	<i>Paton</i>	<i>Ross</i>	<i>Stewart</i>
<i>Wilkinson</i>	<i>Ashton</i>	<i>Johal</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Barnett</i>	<i>Rustad</i>	<i>Foster</i>
<i>Stone</i>	<i>Yap</i>	<i>Milobar</i>	<i>Gibson</i>
<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Martin</i>	<i>Shypitka</i>	<i>Thomson</i>

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.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress 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.

And then the House adjourned at 6.54 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Thursday, March 5, 2020

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Thomson*.

On the motion of Ms. *Cadieux*, Bill (No. M 204) intituled *Equal Pay Reporting 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. *D. Plecas* (Speaker) tabled the Merit Commissioner Merit Performance Audit Report, 2018/19, Upholding Fair Hiring in the BC Public Service, March 2020.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 5) intituled *Employment Standards Amendment Act, 2020*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,228,446,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Children and Family Development, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2021.

Section A 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.

By agreement, summary of debate of estimates passed in Section A (Ministry of Children and Family Development) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.51 a.m.

Thursday, March 5, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

Bill (No. 9) intituled *Evidence Amendment Act, 2020* was committed.

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Education.

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—

Kate Ryan-Lloyd, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, read the titles to the following Acts:

Bill (No. 3) *Environmental Management Amendment Act, 2020*.

Bill (No. 7) *Arbitration Act*.

Bill (No. 8) *Education Statutes Amendment Act, 2020*.

Bill (No. 10) *Municipal Affairs and Housing Statutes Amendment Act, 2020*.

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

The said assent was announced by *Kate Ryan-Lloyd*, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, in the following words:

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

His Honour the Administrator was then pleased to retire.

And then the House adjourned at 5.48 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Monday, March 23, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly informed the House of the unavoidable absence of the Speaker and Deputy Speaker, whereupon Mr. *Chandra Herbert*, Deputy Chair of the Committee of the Whole, took the Chair, pursuant to Standing Order 12.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Malcolmson*.

By leave, the Hon. *M. Farnworth* moved—

That, notwithstanding Standing Order 36 and Standing Order 37, Members be permitted to speak and vote from a seat other than their assigned place for today's sitting.

Motion agreed to.

By leave, the Hon. *M. Farnworth* moved—

That the order of adjournment of the House of March 5, 2020 be rescinded, and that the House be deemed to have been adjourned until 1.30 p.m. on Monday, March 23, 2020.

Motion agreed to.

By leave, the Hon. *M. Farnworth* moved—

That, notwithstanding Standing Order 25, the daily routine of business for today's sitting be comprised of Oral Question Period and Presenting Reports by Committees only, and

That, notwithstanding Standing Order 25 and Standing Order 47A, the proceeding of Oral Question Period be limited to one question with one supplemental question from each opposition caucus member.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *J. Horgan* (Premier) made a ministerial statement regarding the impact of COVID-19 on the province.

Mr. *de Jong* made a statement.

Mr. *Olsen* made a statement.

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

By leave, as designated by the Committee, Ms. *Dean* presented the Report of the Special Committee to Appoint an Auditor General for the fifth session of the Forty-first Parliament, March 2020.

The Report was taken as read and received.

By leave, Ms. *Dean* moved that the Report be adopted.

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

By leave, Ms. *Dean* moved—

That pursuant to the *Auditor General Act* (S.B.C. 2003, c. 2), Michael A. Pickup be appointed as Auditor General of British Columbia, for one eight-year term commencing on July 27, 2020.

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

The Hon. *C. James* (Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith:

Supplementary Estimates—Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2021;
and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 19, 2020.

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

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION B)

52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Contingencies (All Ministries): Pandemic Response and Economic Recovery to March 31st, 2021.

Section B of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution and completion of the supplementary estimates of Other Appropriations, Contingencies (All Ministries): Pandemic Response and Economic Recovery.

Report to be considered forthwith.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Order called for consideration of reports of resolutions from Committee of Supply.

The Hon. *C. James* (Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier) moved—

That the reports of resolutions from Committee of Supply on March 23 be now received, taken as read and agreed to.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *C. James* (Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier) moved—

That there be granted to Her Majesty, from and out of the consolidated revenue fund, the sum of 5 billion dollars towards defraying the charges and expenses of the Public Service of the province for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2021.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *C. James* (Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 15) intituled *Supply Act (No. 2), 2020* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 19, 2020.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

By leave, Bill (No. 15) permitted to be advanced all stages this day.

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

Bill (No. 15) was read a second time.

On the motion of the Hon. *C. James* (Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier), Bill (No. 15) was referred to a Committee of the Whole House to be considered forthwith.

Bill (No. 15) was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

By leave, the Hon. *C. James* (Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier) moved—

That Bill (No. 12) intituled *Supply Act (No. 1), 2020* be withdrawn from the Order Paper.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* (Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General) on behalf of the Hon. *H. Bains* (Minister of Labour) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 16) intituled *Employment Standards Amendment Act (No. 2), 2020* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 22, 2020.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

By leave, Bill (No. 16) permitted to be advanced all stages this day.

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

Bill (No. 16) was read a second time.

On the motion of the Hon. *M. Farnworth* (Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General), Bill (No. 16) was referred to a Committee of the Whole House to be considered forthwith.

Bill (No. 16) was committed, 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—

Kate Ryan-Lloyd, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, read the title to the following Act:

Bill (No. 16) *Employment Standards Amendment Act (No. 2), 2020*.

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

The said assent was announced by *Kate Ryan-Lloyd*, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, in the following words:

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

Kate Ryan-Lloyd, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, read the title to the following Act:

Bill (No. 15) *Supply Act (No. 2), 2020*.

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

The said assent was announced by *Kate Ryan-Lloyd*, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, 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.

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* moved—

1. 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 fifth session of the Forty-first Parliament of the Province of British Columbia. The Speaker shall give notice to all Members 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.

2. That, by agreement of the Speaker and the House Leaders of each recognized caucus, the location of sittings and means of conducting sittings of this House may be altered if required due to an emergency situation or public health measures, and that such agreement constitute the authorization of the House to proceed in the manner agreed to. The Speaker shall give notice to all Members of the agreement.

3. 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; in the event that the Deputy Speaker being unable to act owing to illness or other cause, the Deputy Chair of the Committee of the Whole shall act in his stead for the purpose of this order; and in the event that the Deputy Chair of the Committee of the

Whole being unable to act owing to illness or other cause, another Member designated collectively by the House Leaders of each recognized caucus shall act in his stead for the purpose of this order.

Motion agreed to.

And then the House adjourned at 4.58 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Monday, June 22, 2020

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Malcolmson*.

The Speaker made a statement in recognition of the historic nature of upcoming hybrid and remote proceedings, and thanked staff for their hard work and dedication in making these arrangements possible.

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* made a statement regarding the provisions of the adjournment motion adopted on March 23, 2020, and, by leave, tabled the agreement with respect to hybrid proceedings of the House and remote meetings of the Committee of Supply, signed by the Speaker and House Leaders on June 17, 2020.

By leave, the Hon. *M. Farnworth* moved—

That the agreement of the Speaker and the House Leaders with respect to hybrid proceedings of the House and remote meetings of the Committee of Supply be printed in the Votes and Proceedings of this sitting day.

Motion agreed to.

Pursuant to the motion adopted by the House, the agreement of the Speaker and House Leaders with respect to hybrid and remote proceedings is as follows:

“Legislative Assembly of British Columbia
“June 17, 2020

*“To all Honourable Members of the
“Legislative Assembly of British Columbia*

“Honourable Members:

“On March 23, 2020, the Legislative Assembly resolved: “That, by agreement of the Speaker and the House Leaders of each recognized caucus, the location of sittings and means of conducting sittings of this House may be altered if required due to an emergency situation or public health measures, and that such agreement constitute the authorization of the House to proceed in the manner agreed to.”

“Further to that resolution, and in recognition of public health measures that continue to be in place in British Columbia due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we, the undersigned, agree as follows:

“1. On behalf of all Members, we are committed to taking the steps necessary to balance the responsibilities of the Legislative Assembly for legislating and deliberating, continuing scrutiny of the executive, and representing the interests of British Columbians, with adherence to the orders and guidance issued by the Provincial Health Officer.

“2. In pursuit of that aim and as an exercise of the Legislative Assembly’s exclusive right to regulate its own internal affairs as they relate to its legislative and deliberative functions, including control over the conduct of its proceedings, we agree to the use of videoconferencing technology to enable all Members to be present in the proceedings of the Legislative Assembly through remote participation, counting toward quorum, while other Members continue to be present physically in the Legislative Chamber, thereby enabling hybrid proceedings of the House.

“3. Upon the resumption of Legislative Assembly sittings on June 22, 2020, the Government House Leader will propose for the Legislative Assembly’s consideration

“a. the Sessional Order attached hereto as Appendix “A” (which may be subject to modification), which outlines the rules and procedures that are designed to enable, as much as possible, equal treatment between Members participating through videoconferencing technology and Members participating in person in the Legislative Chamber, and

“b. the Sessional Order attached hereto as Appendix “B” (which may be subject to modification), which primarily outlines adaptations that are designed to enable standalone meetings of the Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C, to take place exclusively by videoconferencing technology.

“4. Zoom is approved as the videoconferencing technology platform for the purposes of supporting hybrid proceedings of the House and remote meetings of the Committee of Supply. This decision was made in accordance with recommendations and advice received from the Legislative Assembly’s Hansard Broadcasting and Information Technology staff.

“5. We have instructed and authorized the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly to undertake all necessary preparations to support hybrid proceedings of the House and remote meetings of the Committee of Supply.

“In confirmation of which we have attached our signatures hereto.

“HONOURABLE DARRYL PLECAS, MLA
 “SPEAKER OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
 “HONOURABLE MIKE FARNWORTH, MLA
 “GOVERNMENT HOUSE LEADER
 “MARY POLAK, MLA
 “OFFICIAL OPPOSITION HOUSE LEADER
 “SONIA FURSTENAU, MLA
 “THIRD PARTY HOUSE LEADER”

By leave, the Hon. *M. Farnworth* moved—

SITTING SCHEDULE

1. That, notwithstanding Standing Order 2(2)(a) and unless otherwise ordered, the House sit the weeks of June 22, July 6, 13, 20, 27, and August 10, 2020.
2. That, notwithstanding Standing Order 2(1), the time for the ordinary meeting of the House the weeks of June 22 and July 6, 13, 20 and 27, 2020 shall, unless otherwise ordered, be as follows:

Monday:	Two distinct sittings: 10 a.m. to 12 noon 1:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday:	Two distinct sittings: 10 a.m. to 12 noon 1:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday:	1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

3. That, notwithstanding Standing Order 2(1), the time for the ordinary meeting of the House the week of August 10, 2020 shall, unless otherwise ordered, be as follows:
- Monday: Two distinct sittings:
10 a.m. to 12 noon
1:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
- Tuesday: Two distinct sittings:
10 a.m. to 12 noon
1:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday: 1:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
- Thursday: Two distinct sittings:
10 a.m. to 12 noon
1:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
- Friday: Two distinct sittings:
10 a.m. to 12 noon
1:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
4. That, notwithstanding Standing Order 3, if, at the hour of 6:30 p.m. on a Monday and Tuesday, or 5:30 p.m. on a Wednesday the weeks of June 22 and July 6, 13, 20 and 27, 2020, 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 1:30 p.m. Wednesday
On Wednesday until 10 a.m. Monday
5. That, notwithstanding Standing Order 3, if, at the hour of 6:30 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday the week of August 10, 2020, 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 1:30 p.m. Wednesday
On Wednesday until 10 a.m. Thursday
On Thursday until 10 a.m. Friday
On Friday until 10 a.m. Monday
6. That any Standing Order reference to Thursday proceedings be suspended for sittings of the House the weeks of June 22 and July 6, 13, 20 and 27, 2020.

QUORUM AND ATTENDANCE

7. That Members who are participating in the House's proceedings by the approved videoconferencing technology be counted as present for the purposes of the quorum of ten Members, as set out in section 42 of the *Constitution Act* (R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 66) and Standing Order 6, and for the purposes of determining a majority of votes as set out in section 43 of the *Constitution Act*.
8. That Members who are participating in the House's proceedings by the approved videoconferencing technology must have the audio and video functions enabled with their face clearly visible in order to be counted towards quorum, to participate in debate, and to vote.

VOTING AND DIVISIONS

9. That, notwithstanding Standing Order 16:
- (1) When the Speaker puts the question, no further debate on the question shall be permitted.
 - (2) When a division is requested, it shall be deferred until 15 minutes prior to the ordinary time fixed for adjournment of the sitting during which the division is requested. If there are less than 30 minutes remaining prior to the ordinary time fixed for adjournment of the sitting during which the division is requested, then it shall stand deferred until 15 minutes prior to the ordinary time fixed for adjournment of the afternoon sitting of the following sitting day.
 - (3) Notwithstanding Standing Order 25 and subsection (2) of this order, if a division is requested during a morning sitting, it shall stand deferred until the afternoon sitting of the same day.
 - (4) If a division is requested in a Committee of the Whole, the clause of the bill under consideration shall be postponed, and the division shall be deferred in accordance with subsection (2) of this order.
 - (5) If a division is requested in the Committee of Supply, Section B, the division shall be deferred in accordance with subsection (2) of this order.
 - (6) If a deferred division is scheduled to take place during a sitting, the Speaker shall ring the bells and recess the proceedings 30 minutes prior to the ordinary time fixed for adjournment of the sitting. At 20 minutes prior to the ordinary time fixed for adjournment of the sitting, the Speaker shall call the House back to order. No longer than 5 minutes thereafter, the Speaker shall again state the question.
 - (7) If a division is deferred in a Committee of the Whole or the Committee of Supply, Section B, the House shall resolve itself into the appropriate Committee prior to the ringing of the bells and recess set out in subsection (6) of this order.
 - (8) No Member shall enter or leave the Legislative Chamber or connect to or disconnect from the approved videoconferencing technology after the final statement of the question until the division has been fully taken, and every Member present shall vote.
 - (9) When two or more deferred divisions are to be taken during a sitting, the divisions shall be taken in succession in the order they were deferred.
 - (10) During a sitting at which a deferred division is to take place, no motion to adjourn the House shall be in order until after that vote and the conclusion of any consequential business that must be disposed of. If successive divisions are scheduled, the House shall sit beyond the ordinary time of adjournment until the conclusion of all divisions and until other business consequential to the division has been disposed of.

DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT AND NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

10. That any Standing Order requiring that a document be “handed in” or “laid upon the Table” or transmitted by other similar physical means be interpreted to include the transmission of a document by approved electronic means.
11. That the transmission of a document by the Office of the Clerk to all Members by electronic means constitute for all purposes the distribution and delivery of that document, regardless of whether a Member has received the document.
12. That, notwithstanding Standing Order 25B(2) and the usual practices of the House, at least two hours prior to the scheduled start of a sitting of the House, the Whips shall provide to the Office of the Speaker a list and, if applicable, the sequence, of Members wishing to make an introduction or to participate in an item under Routine Business, which shall be held in confidence. Independent Members shall inform the Office of the Speaker directly with the same notice period.

13. That, notwithstanding the usual practices of the House, any Member who intends to move a motion in amendment to a bill at committee stage, of which notice is not typically required, shall, if possible, provide at least one hour of notice to the Office of the Clerk prior to introducing that motion in the House, which shall be held in confidence, to ensure the electronic distribution of that motion to all Members forthwith after it is moved.

SPEAKER'S DISCRETION

14. That, for greater certainty, the Speaker be empowered to exercise discretion on the applicability of Standing Order 17A as it may relate to the facilitation of participation of Members in proceedings of the House.
15. That, for greater certainty and further to Standing Order 19 and Standing Order 20, the Speaker be empowered to intervene on any matter of decorum on the Speaker's own initiative or on a point of order raised by a Member, including by muting a Member's microphone and excluding Members from the sitting in cases of serious misconduct.
16. That the Speaker be empowered to exercise discretion in the interpretation of the provisions of any Standing Order requiring Members to stand or speak in their assigned place as this requirement may relate to Members participating via the approved videoconferencing technology and to Members participating in person in the Legislative Chamber.
17. That the Speaker be empowered to exercise discretion, in consultation with the House Leaders or the Whips, in the interpretation of any provision of the Standing Orders or Sessional Order that may require leniency or alteration in order to allow all Members to be able to fully exercise their duties and rights in the proceedings of this House conducted in a hybrid manner.

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18. That, should any provision contained in this order be inconsistent with the Standing Orders, the provision in this order prevails to the extent of the inconsistency.
19. That this order expire on August 31, 2020.

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

- 4** By leave, Ms. *Oakes* moved on behalf of Mr. *Clovechok*—
Be it resolved that this House encourage economic opportunity for all British Columbians.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

The following reports were received by the Office of the Clerk during adjournment:

BC Assessment Annual Service Plan Report 2019, May 2020;
Forest Appeals Commission Annual Report, 2019;

Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Major Capital Project Plan: Highway 1—Salmon Arm West Four-Laning Project;

Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Major Capital Project Plan: Highway 1—Chase Four Laning Project;

Superintendent of Professional Governance Annual Report, 2019–2020; and,
WorkSafeBC Annual Report and 2020–2022 Service Plan, 2019.

And then the House adjourned at 11.58 a.m.

Monday, June 22, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O’CLOCK P.M.

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

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 6) intituled *Mines Amendment Act, 2020* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
June 5, 2020.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

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

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 19) intituled *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
June 18, 2020.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

The Hon. *D. Eby* (Attorney General) on behalf of the Hon. *M. Farnworth* (Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 20) intituled *Motor Vehicle Amendment Act (No. 2), 2020* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
June 16, 2020.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

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

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 21) intituled *Wills, Estates and Succession Amendment Act, 2020* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
June 18, 2020.

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, the Hon. *M. Farnworth* moved—

That the order of the House of February 27, 2020 authorizing the Committee of Supply for this Session to sit in two sections, designated Section A and Section B, be discharged.

Motion agreed to.

By leave, the Hon. *M. Farnworth* moved—

1. That the Committee of Supply for this Session be authorized to sit in three sections, designated Section A, Section B, and Section C, to be subject to the rules that follow.

COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY, SECTION A AND SECTION C

Authorizations

2. That the Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C, sit the weeks of June 22 and July 6, 13, 20 and 27, unless otherwise ordered.
3. That the Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C, be authorized to conduct its proceedings by way of Zoom videoconferencing technology.
4. That Members who are participating in the proceedings of the Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C, by the approved videoconferencing technology must have the audio and video functions enabled with their face clearly visible in order to be counted towards quorum, to participate in debate, and to vote.
5. That, for greater certainty, the Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C, be empowered to sit during a period in which the House is adjourned.
6. That the Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C, be empowered to examine the *Estimates—Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2021* referred to the Committee of Supply by order of the House of February 18, 2020.

Schedule of Estimates

7. That, at every Tuesday morning sitting of the House of a scheduled sitting week during which the Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C, are to meet, the Government House Leader shall table in the House the order of the of Estimates to be examined the following Thursday

and Friday by the Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C, which shall be distributed to all Members by the Office of the Clerk. This schedule may only be altered by agreement of the House Leaders of each recognized caucus, and notice of any such agreement shall be provided to the Office of the Clerk and communicated to all Members as expeditiously as possible.

Meeting Schedule

8. That the time for the ordinary meeting of the Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C, shall, unless otherwise ordered by the House or determined by the Committee, be as follows:

Thursday: Two distinct meetings:

9:30 a.m. to 12 noon

1:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Friday: Two distinct meetings:

9:30 a.m. to 12 noon

1:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Composition

9. That the Deputy Speaker, the Deputy Chair of the Committee of the Whole, or their designate preside in the Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C.
10. That the Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C, each consist of 17 Members, not including the Chair, being eight Members of the Government Caucus, eight Members of the Official Opposition Caucus, and one Member of the Third Party Caucus.
11. That the Members of the Committee of Supply, Section A be: the Minister whose Estimates are under examination by the Committee and *Jagrup Brar, Mable Elmore, Rick Glumac, Jennifer Rice, Janet Routledge, Jinny Sims, Rachna Singh, Mike Bernier, Dan Davies, Peter Milobar, Mike Morris, Ben Stewart, Michelle Stilwell, Jane Thornthwaite, Laurie Throness, and Sonia Furstenaus*.
12. That the Members of the Committee of Supply, Section C be: the Minister whose Estimates are under examination by the Committee and *Garry Begg, Bob D'Eith, Mike Farnworth, Rob Fleming, Carole James, Bowinn Ma, Bruce Ralston, Dan Ashton, Donna Barnett, Coralee Oakes, Tom Shypitka, Jordan Sturdy, Ralph Sultan, Steve Thomson, John Yap, and Adam Olsen*.
13. That substitutions for Members of the Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C, be permitted. Advance notice of substitutions shall be transmitted to the Office of the Clerk by the respective Whip at least one hour prior to the scheduled meeting time.

Applicability of Standing Orders

14. That the provisions of Standing Order 45A, Schedule 5, setting out the time limits on speeches, apply to the proceedings of the Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C.
15. That, consistent with Standing Order 6, the presence of at least ten Members, including the Chair, shall be necessary to constitute a proceeding of the Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C, for the exercise of its powers.
16. That, consistent with Standing Order 61(1), the Standing Orders shall be observed in the Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C, as may be applicable, except Standing Orders limiting the number of times a Member may speak.
17. That, consistent with Standing Order 61(2), speeches in the Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C, must be strictly relevant to the item under consideration.

Proceedings

18. That, pursuant to established practice, a Minister may defer to a Deputy Minister to permit such Deputy to reply to a question put to the Minister in the Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C.

Voting and Divisions

19. That only the Members of the Committee of Supply, Section A or Section C, or duly authorized substitutions, shall vote in a division.
20. That, when a division is requested in the Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C, the Chair shall announce that a division has been called. No longer than 15 minutes thereafter, unless the Committee unanimously agrees otherwise, the Chair shall again state the question. No Member shall connect to or disconnect from the approved videoconferencing technology after the final statement of the question until the division has been fully taken, and every Member of the Committee present shall vote.
21. That, during a meeting of the Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C, if a division is underway, the Committee shall sit beyond the ordinary time of adjournment until the division has concluded and any consequential business has been disposed of.

Reporting and Completion

22. That the Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C, shall report progress or resolution and completion on the Estimates under consideration by it at the conclusion of every meeting. The Clerk to the Committee shall deposit the report with the Office of the Clerk in paper form or electronically, and such report shall be deemed for all purposes to have been presented and tabled in the House. The report shall be entered upon the Votes and Proceedings of the next sitting day of the House.

COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY, SECTION B

23. That the Committee of Supply, Section B, continue to operate pursuant to established practice as a Committee of the Whole House in whose proceedings all Members may participate.

CONCLUSION OF SUPPLY PROCEEDINGS

24. That after all Estimates have been reported as complete, Members of the Government Caucus shall have a maximum of seven minutes cumulatively, Members of the Official Opposition Caucus shall have a maximum of four minutes cumulatively, Members of the Third Party Caucus shall have a maximum of two minutes cumulatively, and Independent Members shall have a maximum of one minute cumulatively to summarize the Committee of Supply debate on all Estimates completed. Such summaries shall be in the following order:
 - a. Independent Members;
 - b. Third Party Caucus;
 - c. Official Opposition Caucus; and
 - d. Government Caucus.

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25. That this order expire on August 31, 2020.

Motion agreed to.

By leave, the Hon. *M. Farnworth* moved—

That, pursuant to Standing Order 8, a leave of absence be granted to all Members who did not attend the service of the House on March 23, 2020.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *D. Plecas* (Speaker) tabled the following documents:

Representative for Children and Youth Report, Youth Substance Use Services in B.C., An Update, March 2020;

Auditor General Service Plan 2020/21–2022/23;

Ombudsperson Public Interest Disclosure Annual Report, 2019/2020;

Elections BC Report, Digital Communications, Disinformation and Democracy, May 2020;

Merit Commissioner Annual Report, Upholding Fair Hiring in the BC Public Service, 2019–2020;

Auditor General Report, Skills Immigration Stream of the British Columbia Provincial Nominee Program;

Ombudsperson Special Report No. 44, Extraordinary Times, Extraordinary Measures: Two ministerial orders made under the *Emergency Program Act* in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, June 2020; and,

Legislative Assembly Management Committee Accountability Report 2017–18 and 2018–19, for the fifth session of the Forty-first Parliament, May 2020.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 5) intituled *Employment Standards Amendment Act, 2020*.

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.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 11) intituled *Attorney General Statutes (Vehicle Insurance) Amendment Act, 2020*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, division on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 11) was deferred to later today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 4) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2020*, a debate arose.

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

The House recessed until 6.10 p.m.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, the House proceeded to deferred divisions.

The motion for second reading of Bill (No. 11) intituled *Attorney General Statutes (Vehicle Insurance) Amendment Act, 2020* was agreed to on the following deferred division:

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<i>Chouhan</i>	<i>Trevena</i>	<i>Singh</i>	<i>Fleming</i>
<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Chow</i>	<i>Darcy</i>	<i>Conroy</i>
<i>Begg</i>	<i>Kang</i>	<i>Simpson</i>	<i>Fraser</i>
<i>Brar</i>	<i>Simons</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Chandra Herbert</i>
<i>Heyman</i>	<i>D'Eith</i>	<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Rice</i>
<i>Donaldson</i>	<i>Sims</i>	<i>Horgan</i>	<i>Malcolmson</i>
<i>Mungall</i>	<i>Routley</i>	<i>James</i>	<i>Leonard</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Ma</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>Glumac</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Elmore</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>Furstenau</i>
<i>Chen</i>	<i>Dean</i>	<i>Ralston</i>	<i>Olsen</i>
<i>Popham</i>	<i>Routledge</i>	<i>Mark</i>	<i>Weaver</i>

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<i>Cadieux</i>	<i>Paton</i>	<i>Ross</i>	<i>Throness</i>
<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Ashton</i>	<i>Oakes</i>	<i>Tegart</i>
<i>Bond</i>	<i>Barnett</i>	<i>Johal</i>	<i>Stewart</i>
<i>Polak</i>	<i>Yap</i>	<i>Wat</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Wilkinson</i>	<i>Martin</i>	<i>Rustad</i>	<i>Foster</i>
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Davies</i>	<i>Milobar</i>	<i>Gibson</i>
<i>Stone</i>	<i>Reid</i>	<i>Sturdy</i>	<i>Letnick</i>
<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Sullivan</i>	<i>Clovechok</i>	<i>Thomson</i>
<i>Kyllo</i>	<i>Isaacs</i>	<i>Shypitka</i>	<i>Larson</i>
<i>Bernier</i>	<i>Morris</i>	<i>Hunt</i>	
<i>Thornthwaite</i>	<i>Stilwell</i>		

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.

And then the House adjourned at 6.29 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Tuesday, June 23, 2020

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by the Hon. *C. Trevena*.

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

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 17) intituled *Clean Energy Amendment Act, 2020* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
June 18, 2020.

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. Robinson* (Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 14) intituled *Municipal Affairs and Housing Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2020* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
June 11, 2020.*

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. Darcy* (Minister of Mental Health and Addictions) on behalf of the Hon. *A. Dix* (Minister of Health) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 22) intituled *Mental Health Amendment Act, 2020* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
June 18, 2020.*

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

The Hon. *A. Dix* (Minister of Health) made ministerial statement regarding the 35th anniversary of the bombing of Air India Flight 182.

Mr. *Hunt* made a statement.

Ms. *Furstenau* made a statement.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. *Simons* presented the Select Standing Committee on Children and Youth Annual Report 2019–20, for the fifth session of the Forty-first Parliament, May 2020.

The Report was taken as read and received.

By leave, Mr. *Simons* moved that the Report be adopted.

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* tabled the Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C, Schedule of Estimates for June 25 and June 26, 2020.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 4) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2020*.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.58 a.m.

Tuesday, June 23, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O’CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 4) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2020*.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, division on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 4) was deferred to later today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 6) intituled *Mines Amendment Act, 2020*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

The House recessed until 6.10 p.m.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, the House proceeded to deferred divisions.

The motion for second reading of Bill (No. 4) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2020*, was agreed to on the following division:

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<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Dean</i>	<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Routledge</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>Kang</i>	<i>Routley</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Donaldson</i>	<i>Leonard</i>	<i>Simons</i>
<i>Begg</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>Ma</i>	<i>Simpson</i>
<i>Brar</i>	<i>Elmore</i>	<i>Malcolmson</i>	<i>Sims</i>
<i>Chandra Herbert</i>	<i>Fleming</i>	<i>Mark</i>	<i>Singh</i>
<i>Chen</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Mungall</i>	<i>Trevena</i>
<i>Chouhan</i>	<i>Glumac</i>	<i>Popham</i>	<i>Furstenau</i>
<i>Chow</i>	<i>Heyman</i>	<i>Ralston</i>	<i>Olsen</i>
<i>D’Eith</i>	<i>Horgan</i>	<i>Rice</i>	<i>Weaver</i>
<i>Darcy</i>	<i>James</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	

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<i>Polak</i>	<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Oakes</i>	<i>Sturdy</i>
<i>Ashton</i>	<i>Hunt</i>	<i>Paton</i>	<i>Sullivan</i>
<i>Barnett</i>	<i>Isaacs</i>	<i>Redies</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Bernier</i>	<i>Johal</i>	<i>Reid</i>	<i>Tegart</i>
<i>Bond</i>	<i>Kyllo</i>	<i>Ross</i>	<i>Thomson</i>
<i>Cadieux</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Rustad</i>	<i>Thornthwaite</i>
<i>Clovechok</i>	<i>Letnick</i>	<i>Shypitka</i>	<i>Throness</i>
<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Martin</i>	<i>Stewart</i>	<i>Wat</i>
<i>Davies</i>	<i>Milobar</i>	<i>Stilwell</i>	<i>Wilkinson</i>
<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Morris</i>	<i>Stone</i>	<i>Yap</i>
<i>Foster</i>			

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.

And then the House adjourned at 6.28 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Wednesday, June 24, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O' CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by the Hon. *A. Kang*.

The Hon. *C. James* (Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 18) intituled *Economic Stabilization (COVID-19) Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
June 16, 2020.

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. *D. Eby* (Attorney General) tabled the following documents:

Property Assessment Appeal Board Annual Report, 2019; and,
Civil Resolution Tribunal Annual Report, 2018/2019.

Mr. *D'Eith* presented the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services Interim Report on Statutory Offices, for the fifth session of the Forty-first Parliament, June 2020.

The Report was taken as read and received.

By leave, Mr. *D'Eith* moved that the Report be adopted.

A debate arose.

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. 6) intituled *Mines Amendment Act, 2020*.

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.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 19) intituled *COVID-19 Related Measures Act*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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.

And then the House adjourned at 5.25 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Monday, July 6, 2020

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Kyllo*.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Order called for “Private Members’ Statements.”

5 By leave, Mr. *Begg* moved—

Be it resolved that this House unanimously condemn racism in all its forms and commit to building a more inclusive province through anti-racism.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

The following reports from Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C, were deposited with the Office of the Clerk during adjournment:

Thursday, June 25, 2020, morning:

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Education.

Section C of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction.

Thursday, June 25, 2020, afternoon:

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Education.

Section C of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction and further reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure.

41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,682,820,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2021.

Friday, June 26, 2020, morning:

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Education and further reported the progress of estimates of the Ministry of Labour.

Section C of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,657,927,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Education, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2021.

Friday, June 26, afternoon:

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

Section C of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,185,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Labour, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2021.

Reports from Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C on Thursday, June 25 and Friday, June 26, 2020, to be considered at the next sitting.

By agreement, summary of debate of estimates passed in Section A and Section C (Ministry of Education, Ministry of Labour, and Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

Monday, July 6, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* advised the House of the death of Ed Conroy, a former Member of the Legislative Assembly.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *D. Plecas* (Speaker) tabled the following documents:

Auditor General Annual Report, 2019/20; and,

Auditor General Financial Statements, 2019/20.

The Hon. *D. Eby* (Attorney General) tabled the following documents:

Government's Proposed Response to the Judicial Compensation Commission 2019 Final Report in Respect of Provincial Court Judges, July 6, 2020;

Government's Proposed Response to the Judicial Compensation Commission 2019 Final Report in Respect of Provincial Court Judicial Justices, July 6, 2020; and,

British Columbia Utilities Commission Annual Report, 2018/19.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 19) intituled *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* was committed.

Mr. *Lee* moved a proposed amendment to section 8 of Bill (No. 19) on which division was deferred to the next sitting.

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* on behalf of the Hon. *S. Fraser* (Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation) tabled the *Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act*, Annual Report, 2019/2020.

And then the House adjourned at 6.23 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Tuesday, July 7, 2020

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Throness*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* tabled the Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C, Schedule of Estimates for July 9 and July 10, 2020.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 19) intituled *COVID-19 Related Measures 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. 9) intituled *Evidence Amendment Act, 2020* 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 11.59 a.m.

Tuesday, July 7, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 9) intituled *Evidence Amendment Act, 2020* was again committed, reported complete with amendment, on division, and by leave, read a third time and passed, on division.

By leave, the deferred division on the proposed amendment to section 8 of Bill (No. 19) intituled *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* was stood down and Bill (No. 19) was again committed.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.
Bill to be considered later today.

Bill (No. 11) intituled *Attorney General Statutes (Vehicle Insurance) Amendment Act, 2020* was committed.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.
Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

The House recessed until 6.10 p.m.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, the House proceeded to deferred divisions.

Bill (No. 19) intituled *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* was again committed.

The proposed amendment to section 8 of Bill (No. 19), moved by Mr. *Lee*, was defeated on the following deferred division:

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<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Darcy</i>	<i>James</i>	<i>Robinson</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Dean</i>	<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Routledge</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>Kang</i>	<i>Routley</i>
<i>Begg</i>	<i>Donaldson</i>	<i>Leonard</i>	<i>Simons</i>
<i>Brar</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>Ma</i>	<i>Simpson</i>
<i>Chandra Herbert</i>	<i>Elmore</i>	<i>Malcolmson</i>	<i>Sims</i>
<i>Chen</i>	<i>Fleming</i>	<i>Mark</i>	<i>Singh</i>
<i>Chouhan</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Mungall</i>	<i>Trevena</i>
<i>Chow</i>	<i>Glumac</i>	<i>Popham</i>	<i>Furstenau</i>
<i>Conroy</i>	<i>Heyman</i>	<i>Ralston</i>	<i>Olsen</i>
<i>D'Eith</i>	<i>Horgan</i>	<i>Rice</i>	<i>Weaver</i>

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<i>Polak</i>	<i>Hunt</i>	<i>Oakes</i>	<i>Sturdy</i>
<i>Ashton</i>	<i>Isaacs</i>	<i>Paton</i>	<i>Sullivan</i>
<i>Barnett</i>	<i>Johal</i>	<i>Redies</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Bernier</i>	<i>Kyllo</i>	<i>Reid</i>	<i>Tegart</i>
<i>Bond</i>	<i>Larson</i>	<i>Ross</i>	<i>Thomson</i>
<i>Cadioux</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Rustad</i>	<i>Thornthwaite</i>
<i>Clovechok</i>	<i>Letnick</i>	<i>Shypitka</i>	<i>Throness</i>
<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Martin</i>	<i>Stewart</i>	<i>Wat</i>
<i>Davies</i>	<i>Milobar</i>	<i>Stilwell</i>	<i>Wilkinson</i>
<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Morris</i>	<i>Stone</i>	<i>Yap</i>
<i>Foster</i>			

Bill (No. 19) was reported complete with amendment, on division.

Bill (No. 19) as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

And then the House adjourned at 6.29 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Wednesday, July 8, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Tegart*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

By leave, the Hon. *M. Farnworth* moved—

That a Special Committee on Reforming the *Police Act* be appointed to examine, inquire into, and make recommendations to the Legislative Assembly on the following:

1. Reforms related to independent oversight, transparency, governance, structure, service delivery, standards, funding, training and education, and any other considerations which may apply respecting the modernization and sustainability of policing under the *Police Act* (R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 367) and all related agreements.

2. The role of police with respect to complex social issues including mental health and wellness, addictions, and harm reduction; and in consideration of any appropriate changes to relevant sections of the *Mental Health Act* (R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 288).

3. The scope of systemic racism within British Columbia’s police agencies, including the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, independent municipal police and designated policing units, and its impact on public safety and public trust in policing.

4. Whether there are measures necessary to ensure a modernized *Police Act* is consistent with the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (2007), as required by section 3 of the *Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act* (S.B.C. 2019, c. 44).

The Special Committee shall undertake the above examinations as it deems appropriate with regard to relevant reports, studies, and examinations.

The Special Committee shall have all the powers of a Select Standing Committee and in addition is empowered to:

- a) appoint of their number, one or more subcommittees and to refer to such subcommittees any of the matters referred to the Committee;
- b) 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) conduct consultations by any means the Committee considers appropriate;
- d) adjourn from place to place as may be convenient; and
- e) retain personnel as required to assist the Committee.

The Special Committee shall report to the House by May 14, 2021, 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 Special Committee is to be composed of *Nicholas Simons* (Convener), *Garry Begg*, *Bowinn Ma*, *Rachna Singh*, *Jas Johal*, *Mike Morris*, *Ellis Ross*, *Michelle Stilwell*, and *Adam Olsen*.

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

6 The Hon. *D. Eby* (Attorney General) moved—

Be it resolved that pursuant to Section 6 (2) of the *Judicial Compensation Act*, the Legislative Assembly:

- a. rejects the following recommendations of the Judicial Compensation Commission 2019 Final Report as laid before this Assembly on February 24, 2020 for the reasons outlined in Government’s Proposed Response to the Judicial Compensation Commission 2019 Final Report in Respect of Provincial Court Judges, filed in this House; and
- b. sets the remuneration, allowances or benefits that are to be substituted for the remuneration, allowances or benefits proposed by the rejected recommendations; as follows:

1. The recommended salary for puisne judges for April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021 of \$287,000 is rejected. The salary for April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021 is set at \$276,000.
2. The recommended salary for puisne judges for April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022 of \$297,000 is rejected. The salary for April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022 is set at \$282,250.
3. The recommended salary for puisne judges for April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023 of \$307,000 is rejected. The salary for April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023 is set at \$288,500.
4. Recommendation 13, that government pay 100% of the reasonable costs of the legal fees and disbursements of the Provincial Court Judges' Association of British Columbia, including the costs for experts, be rejected.

That the Legislative Assembly accept the remaining recommendations in respect of Provincial Court judges contained in the report.

Motion agreed to.

7 The Hon. *D. Eby* (Attorney General) moved—

Be it resolved that pursuant to Section 6 (2) of the *Judicial Compensation Act*, the Legislative Assembly:

- a. rejects the following recommendations of the Judicial Compensation Commission 2019 Final Report as laid before this Assembly on February 24, 2020 for the reasons outlined in Government's Proposed Response to the Judicial Compensation Commission 2019 Final Report in Respect of Provincial Court Judicial Justices, filed in this House; and
- b. sets the remuneration, allowances or benefits that are to be substituted for the remuneration, allowances or benefits proposed by the rejected recommendations; as follows:
 1. The recommended salary for judicial justices for April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021 of \$138,000 is rejected. The salary for April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021 is set at \$125,750.
 2. The recommended salary for judicial justices for April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022 of \$142,000 is rejected. The salary for April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022 is set at \$129,500.
 3. The recommended salary for judicial justices for April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023 of \$146,000 is rejected. The salary for April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023 is set at \$133,500.
 4. Recommendation 13, that government pay 100% of the reasonable costs of the legal fees and disbursements of the Judicial Justices Association of British Columbia, including the costs for experts, be rejected.

That the Legislative Assembly accept the remaining recommendations in respect of Provincial Court judicial justices contained in the report.

Motion agreed to.

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 19) intituled *COVID-19 Related Measures Act*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 19) read a third time and passed.

The Hon. *A. Kang* (Minister of Citizens' Services) tabled the Chief Records Officer Annual Report, 2019.

Bill (No. 11) intituled *Attorney General Statutes (Vehicle Insurance) Amendment Act, 2020* was again committed.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.
Bill to be considered later today.

The Speaker declared a short recess.

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

Kate Ryan-Lloyd, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, read the titles to the following Acts:

Bill (No. 9) *Evidence Amendment Act, 2020*.

Bill (No. 19) *COVID-19 Related Measures Act*.

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

The said assent was announced by *Kate Ryan-Lloyd*, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, 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. 11) intituled *Attorney General Statutes (Vehicle Insurance) Amendment Act, 2020* 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 5.25 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Monday, July 13, 2020

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by the Hon. *A. Kang*.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Order called for “Private Members' Statements.”

8 By leave, Ms. *Cadieux* moved—

Be it resolved that this House urge the government to take immediate action on an economic recovery plan for British Columbia.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

The following reports from Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C, were deposited with the Office of the Clerk during adjournment:

Thursday, July 9, 2020, morning:

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

Section C of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure. Thursday, July 9, 2020, afternoon:

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

Section C of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure and further reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$928,920,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2021.

Friday, July 10, 2020, morning:

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing and further reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture.

Section C of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$120,978,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2021.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$505,858,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Housing, to 31st March, 2021.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,806,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Auditor General for Local Government, to 31st March, 2021.

Friday, July 10, 2020, afternoon:

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture and further reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Citizens' Services.

Section C of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources and further reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$110,935,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2021.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$155,323,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2021.

Reports from Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C on Thursday, July 9 and Friday, July 10, 2020, to be considered at the next sitting.

By agreement, summary of debate of estimates passed in Section A and Section C (Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture and Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

Monday, July 13, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O’CLOCK P.M.

Order called for “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

The Hon. *D. Plecas* (Speaker) tabled the Legislative Library of British Columbia Annual Report, 2017–2018.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Bill (No. 11) intituled *Attorney General Statutes (Vehicle Insurance) Amendment Act, 2020* was again committed.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, the committee recessed until 6.10 p.m.

Section 32, as amended, of Bill (No. 11) passed on the following deferred division:

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<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Darcy</i>	<i>James</i>	<i>Rice</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Dean</i>	<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Robinson</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>Kang</i>	<i>Routledge</i>
<i>Begg</i>	<i>Donaldson</i>	<i>Leonard</i>	<i>Routley</i>
<i>Brar</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>Ma</i>	<i>Simons</i>
<i>Chandra Herbert</i>	<i>Elmore</i>	<i>Malcolmson</i>	<i>Simpson</i>
<i>Chen</i>	<i>Fleming</i>	<i>Mark</i>	<i>Singh</i>
<i>Chouhan</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Mungall</i>	<i>Trevena</i>
<i>Chow</i>	<i>Glumac</i>	<i>Popham</i>	<i>Furstenau</i>
<i>Conroy</i>	<i>Heyman</i>	<i>Ralston</i>	<i>Olsen</i>
<i>D’Eith</i>	<i>Horgan</i>		

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<i>Polak</i>	<i>Hunt</i>	<i>Oakes</i>	<i>Sturdy</i>
<i>Ashton</i>	<i>Isaacs</i>	<i>Paton</i>	<i>Sullivan</i>
<i>Barnett</i>	<i>Johal</i>	<i>Redies</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Bernier</i>	<i>Kyllo</i>	<i>Reid</i>	<i>Tegart</i>
<i>Bond</i>	<i>Larson</i>	<i>Ross</i>	<i>Thomson</i>
<i>Cadieux</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Rustad</i>	<i>Thornthwaite</i>
<i>Clovechok</i>	<i>Letnick</i>	<i>Shypitka</i>	<i>Throness</i>
<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Martin</i>	<i>Stewart</i>	<i>Wat</i>
<i>Davies</i>	<i>Milobar</i>	<i>Stilwell</i>	<i>Wilkinson</i>
<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Morris</i>	<i>Stone</i>	<i>Yap</i>
<i>Foster</i>			

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 6.27 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECCAS, *Speaker*

Tuesday, July 14, 2020

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Sims*.

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

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 23) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act, 2020* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
July 10, 2020.

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. 11) intituled *Attorney General Statutes (Vehicle Insurance) Amendment Act, 2020* was again committed and reported complete with amendment.

Bill (No. 11) as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 14) intituled *Municipal Affairs and Housing Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2020*, a debate arose.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.57 a.m.

Tuesday, July 14, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *D. Plecas* (Speaker) tabled a report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Order in Council No. 391, July 14, 2020.

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* tabled the Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C, Schedule of Estimates for July 16 and July 17, 2020.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 14) intituled *Municipal Affairs and Housing Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2020*.

The debate continued.

Bill (No. 14) 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 *Motor Vehicle Amendment Act (No. 2), 2020*, 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.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 21) intituled *Wills, Estates and Succession Amendment Act, 2020*, a debate arose.

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. 2) intituled *Motor Vehicle Amendment Act, 2020* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 13) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2020* 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 6.29 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Wednesday, July 15, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by the Hon. *C. Trevena*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *D. Plecas* (Speaker) tabled a report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Order in Council No. 393, July 14, 2020.

The Hon. *D. Eby* (Attorney General) tabled the following documents:
Crown Proceeding Act Report for the Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2018; and,
Crown Proceeding Act Report for the Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2019.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 11) intituled *Attorney General Statutes (Vehicle Insurance) Amendment Act, 2020*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 11) read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 13) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2020* was again committed and reported complete with amendment.

Bill (No. 13) as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 20) intituled *Motor Vehicle Amendment Act (No. 2), 2020* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 21) intituled *Wills, Estates and Succession Amendment Act, 2020* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 5) intituled *Employment Standards Amendment Act, 2020* was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

By leave, the Hon. *M. Farnworth* moved—

That, notwithstanding the usual practices of the House and the report of Resolution and completion on Vote 19 of the Committee of Supply of March 5, 2020, and further to the Sessional Order of June 22, 2020, regulating the proceedings of the Committee of Supply for this session, the Committee of Supply, Section C, question the Deputy Minister, Ministry of Children and Family Development, on July 17, 2020, on ministry operations in regard to COVID-19 related expenditures.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* tabled the revised Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C, Schedule of Estimates for July 16 and July 17, 2020.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 18) intituled *Economic Stabilization (COVID-19) Act*, a debate arose.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.25 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Monday, July 20, 2020

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Wat*.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Order called for “Private Members’ Statements.”

9 By leave, Ms. *Routledge* moved—

Be it resolved that this House agree that the health of British Columbians is paramount during this pandemic and part of our economic recovery and resiliency.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

The following reports from Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C, were deposited with the Office of the Clerk during adjournment:

Thursday, July 16, 2020, morning:

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Citizens’ Services and further reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Agriculture.

Section C of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$551,650,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Citizens’ Services, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2021.

Thursday, July 16, 2020, afternoon:

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Agriculture.

Section C of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy and further reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$188,132,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2021.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$21,482,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, Environmental Assessment Office, to 31st March, 2021.

Friday, July 17, 2020, morning:

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Agriculture and further reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation.

Section C of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$77,261,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2021.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,943,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Agriculture, Agricultural Land Commission, to 31st March, 2021.

Friday, July 17, 2020, afternoon:

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation and further reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Jobs, Economic Development and Competitiveness.

Section C of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions and further reported completion of the questioning of the Deputy Minister, Ministry of Children and Family Development, regarding ministry operations with respect to COVID-19 related expenditures, in accordance with the Order of the House of July 15, 2020.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$47,124,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2021.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$39,442,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation, Treaty and Other Agreements Funding, to 31st March, 2021.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,712,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2021.

Reports from Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C on Thursday, July 16 and Friday, July 17, 2020, to be considered at the next sitting.

By agreement, summary of debate of estimates passed in Section A and Section C (Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Citizens' Services, Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation and Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 12 noon.

Monday, July 20, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O’CLOCK P.M.

Order called for “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

The Hon. *D. Plecas* (Speaker) tabled a report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Ministerial Order No. M220, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, July 17, 2020.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 18) intituled *Economic Stabilization (COVID-19) Act*.

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. 23) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act, 2020*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 23) 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.

Bill (No. 6) intituled *Mines Amendment Act, 2020* was committed.

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 6.26 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Tuesday, July 21, 2020

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Sultan*.

The Hon. *S. Robinson* (Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 24) intituled *Municipalities Enabling and Validating (No. 4) Amendment Act, 2020* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
July 16, 2020.*

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 third reading of Bill (No. 13) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2020*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 13) read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 6) intituled *Mines Amendment Act, 2020* was again committed.

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* tabled the Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C, Schedule of Estimates for July 23 and July 24, 2020.

And then the House adjourned at 11.58 a.m.

Tuesday, July 21, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 6) intituled *Mines Amendment Act, 2020* was again committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 14) intituled *Municipal Affairs and Housing Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2020* was committed.

Mr. *de Jong* moved a proposed amendment to section 3 of Bill (No. 14) on which division was deferred to the next sitting.

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 6.23 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Wednesday, July 22, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O’CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Hunt*.

The Hon. *C. James* (Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith:
Supplementary Estimates No. 2 – Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2021;
and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
July 21, 2020.

Ordered that the Message, and the Supplementary Estimates No. 2 accompanying same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

On the motion of Ms. *Cadieux*, Bill (No. M 205) intituled *Building Amendment Act, 2020* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Mr. *Paton*, Bill (No. M 206) intituled *Home-Based Craft Food 2.0 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. *D. Plecas* (Speaker) tabled the Representative for Children and Youth Report, *Invisible Children: A Descriptive Analysis of Injury and Death Reports for Métis Children and Youth in British Columbia, 2015 to 2017, July 2020.*

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* (Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General) made a ministerial statement regarding the death of Constable Allan Young of the Abbotsford Police Department.

Mr. *de Jong* made a statement.

The Hon. *D. Eby* (Attorney General) tabled the following documents:

Civil Resolution Tribunal Annual Report, 2016/17;
 Civil Resolution Tribunal Annual Report, 2017/18; and,
 Civil Resolution Tribunal Annual Report, 2019/2020.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Bill (No. 14) intituled *Municipal Affairs and Housing Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2020* was again committed.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, the committee recessed until 5.10 p.m.

The proposed amendment to section 3 of Bill (No. 14), moved by Mr. *de Jong*, was defeated on the following deferred division:

NAYS—43

<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Darcy</i>	<i>James</i>	<i>Routledge</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Dean</i>	<i>Kang</i>	<i>Routley</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>Leonard</i>	<i>Simons</i>
<i>Begg</i>	<i>Donaldson</i>	<i>Ma</i>	<i>Simpson</i>
<i>Brar</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>Malcolmson</i>	<i>Sims</i>
<i>Chandra Herbert</i>	<i>Elmore</i>	<i>Mark</i>	<i>Singh</i>
<i>Chen</i>	<i>Fleming</i>	<i>Mungall</i>	<i>Trevena</i>
<i>Chouhan</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Popham</i>	<i>Furstenau</i>
<i>Chow</i>	<i>Glumac</i>	<i>Ralston</i>	<i>Olsen</i>
<i>Conroy</i>	<i>Heyman</i>	<i>Rice</i>	<i>Weaver</i>
<i>D’Eith</i>	<i>Horgan</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	

YEAS—41

<i>Polak</i>	<i>Hunt</i>	<i>Oakes</i>	<i>Sturdy</i>
<i>Ashton</i>	<i>Isaacs</i>	<i>Paton</i>	<i>Sullivan</i>
<i>Barnett</i>	<i>Johal</i>	<i>Redies</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Bernier</i>	<i>Kyllo</i>	<i>Reid</i>	<i>Tegart</i>
<i>Bond</i>	<i>Larson</i>	<i>Ross</i>	<i>Thomson</i>
<i>Cadieux</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Rustad</i>	<i>Thornthwaite</i>
<i>Clovechok</i>	<i>Letnick</i>	<i>Shypitka</i>	<i>Throness</i>
<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Martin</i>	<i>Stewart</i>	<i>Wat</i>
<i>Davies</i>	<i>Milobar</i>	<i>Stilwell</i>	<i>Wilkinson</i>
<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Morris</i>	<i>Stone</i>	<i>Yap</i>
<i>Foster</i>			

Bill (No. 14) was reported complete without amendment.

Bill (No. 14) to be read a third time at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.29 p.m.

Monday, July 27, 2020

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by the Hon. A. Kang.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Order called for “Private Members’ Statements.”

12 By leave, Mr. *Stone* moved—

Be it resolved that this House acknowledge that meaningful wraparound supports in supportive housing projects are vital for healthy people, businesses and communities.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

The following reports from Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C, were deposited with the Office of the Clerk during adjournment:

Thursday, July 23, 2020, morning:

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Jobs, Economic Development and Competitiveness.

Section C of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Health.

Thursday, July 23, 2020, afternoon:

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Jobs, Economic Development and Competitiveness.

Section C of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Health.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$93,116,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Jobs, Economic Development and Competitiveness, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2021.

Friday, July 24, 2020, morning:

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Attorney General.

Section C of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Health.

Friday, July 24, 2020, afternoon:

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

Section C of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Health.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$524,557,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Attorney General, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2021.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$83,572,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Attorney General, Judiciary, to 31st March, 2021.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$24,500,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Attorney General, *Crown Proceeding Act*, to 31st March, 2021.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,075,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Attorney General, Independent Investigations Office, to 31st March, 2021.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$22,042,385,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Health, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2021.

Reports from Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C on Thursday, July 23 and Friday, July 24, 2020, to be considered at the next sitting.

By agreement, summary of debate of estimates passed in Section A and Section C (Ministry of Attorney General, Ministry of Health and Ministry of Jobs, Economic Development and Competitiveness) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 12 noon.

Monday, July 27, 2020

ONE-THIRTY 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 for third reading of Bill (No. 14) intituled *Municipal Affairs and Housing Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2020*, a debate arose.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, division on the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 14) was deferred to later today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 24) intituled *Municipalities Enabling and Validating (No. 4) Amendment Act, 2020*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 24) read a second time.

By leave, on the motion of the Hon. *S. Robinson* (Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing), Bill (No. 24) was referred to a Committee of the Whole House to be considered forthwith.

Bill (No. 24) was committed and reported complete without amendment.

Bill (No. 24) as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 4) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2020* was committed.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, division on the motion that the Committee rise and report Bill (No. 4) complete with amendment was deferred to later today.

Pursuant to Sessional Order the Committee recessed until 6:10 p.m.

The motion that the Committee rise and report Bill (No. 4) complete with amendment, was agreed to on the following deferred division:

YEAS—43

<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Dean</i>	<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Routledge</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>Kang</i>	<i>Routley</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Donaldson</i>	<i>Leonard</i>	<i>Simons</i>
<i>Begg</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>Ma</i>	<i>Simpson</i>
<i>Brar</i>	<i>Elmore</i>	<i>Malcolmson</i>	<i>Sims</i>
<i>Chandra Herbert</i>	<i>Fleming</i>	<i>Mark</i>	<i>Singh</i>
<i>Chen</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Mungall</i>	<i>Trevena</i>
<i>Chow</i>	<i>Glumac</i>	<i>Popham</i>	<i>Furstenau</i>
<i>Conroy</i>	<i>Heyman</i>	<i>Ralston</i>	<i>Olsen</i>
<i>D'Eith</i>	<i>Horgan</i>	<i>Rice</i>	<i>Weaver</i>
<i>Darcy</i>	<i>James</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	

NAYS—40

<i>Polak</i>	<i>Foster</i>	<i>Morris</i>	<i>Sturdy</i>
<i>Ashton</i>	<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Oakes</i>	<i>Sullivan</i>
<i>Barnett</i>	<i>Hunt</i>	<i>Paton</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Bernier</i>	<i>Isaacs</i>	<i>Redies</i>	<i>Tegart</i>
<i>Bond</i>	<i>Johal</i>	<i>Reid</i>	<i>Thomson</i>
<i>Cadieux</i>	<i>Kyllo</i>	<i>Rustad</i>	<i>Thornthwaite</i>
<i>Clovechok</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Shypitka</i>	<i>Throness</i>
<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Letnick</i>	<i>Stewart</i>	<i>Wat</i>
<i>Davies</i>	<i>Martin</i>	<i>Stilwell</i>	<i>Wilkinson</i>
<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Milobar</i>	<i>Stone</i>	<i>Yap</i>

Bill (No. 4) was reported complete with amendment.

Bill (No. 4) as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

The motion for third reading of Bill (No. 14) intituled *Municipal Affairs and Housing Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2020*, was agreed to on the following deferred division:

YEAS—44

<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Darcy</i>	<i>James</i>	<i>Robinson</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Dean</i>	<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Routledge</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>Kang</i>	<i>Routley</i>
<i>Begg</i>	<i>Donaldson</i>	<i>Leonard</i>	<i>Simons</i>
<i>Brar</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>Ma</i>	<i>Simpson</i>
<i>Chandra Herbert</i>	<i>Elmore</i>	<i>Malcolmson</i>	<i>Sims</i>
<i>Chen</i>	<i>Fleming</i>	<i>Mark</i>	<i>Singh</i>
<i>Chouhan</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Mungall</i>	<i>Trevena</i>
<i>Chow</i>	<i>Glumac</i>	<i>Popham</i>	<i>Furstenau</i>
<i>Conroy</i>	<i>Heyman</i>	<i>Ralston</i>	<i>Olsen</i>
<i>D'Eith</i>	<i>Horgan</i>	<i>Rice</i>	<i>Weaver</i>

NAYS—40

<i>Polak</i>	<i>Foster</i>	<i>Morris</i>	<i>Sturdy</i>
<i>Ashton</i>	<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Oakes</i>	<i>Sullivan</i>
<i>Barnett</i>	<i>Hunt</i>	<i>Paton</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Bernier</i>	<i>Isaacs</i>	<i>Redies</i>	<i>Tegart</i>
<i>Bond</i>	<i>Johal</i>	<i>Reid</i>	<i>Thomson</i>
<i>Cadieux</i>	<i>Kyllo</i>	<i>Rustad</i>	<i>Thornthwaite</i>
<i>Clovechok</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Shypitka</i>	<i>Throness</i>
<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Letnick</i>	<i>Stewart</i>	<i>Wat</i>
<i>Davies</i>	<i>Martin</i>	<i>Stilwell</i>	<i>Wilkinson</i>
<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Milobar</i>	<i>Stone</i>	<i>Yap</i>

Bill (No. 14) was read a third time and passed.

And then the House adjourned at 6.34 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Tuesday, July 28, 2020

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by the Hon. *C. Trevena*.

On the motion of Mr. *Rustad*, Bill (No. M 207) intituled *Repeal Bill 52 and Bill 15 Act, 2020* 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.”

Ms. *Bond* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, Summary of Activities 2019/20 for the fifth session of the Forty-first Parliament (First), July 2020.

The Report was taken as read and received.

By leave, Ms. *Bond* moved that the Report be adopted.

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 24) intituled *Municipalities Enabling and Validating (No. 4) Amendment Act, 2020*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 24) read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 18) intituled *Economic Stabilization (COVID-19) 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 11.54 a.m.

Tuesday, July 28, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 4) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2020*, a debate arose.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, division on the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 4) was deferred to later today.

Bill (No. 18) intituled *Economic Stabilization (COVID-19) Act* was again committed and reported complete with amendment.

Bill (No. 18) as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 23) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act, 2020* was committed.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.
Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* tabled the Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C, Schedule of Estimates for July 30 and July 31, 2020.

The House recessed until 6.10 p.m.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, the House proceeded to deferred divisions.

The motion for third reading of Bill (No. 4) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2020*, was agreed to on the following deferred division:

YEAS—44

<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Darcy</i>	<i>James</i>	<i>Robinson</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Dean</i>	<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Routledge</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>Kang</i>	<i>Routley</i>
<i>Begg</i>	<i>Donaldson</i>	<i>Leonard</i>	<i>Simons</i>
<i>Brar</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>Ma</i>	<i>Simpson</i>
<i>Chandra Herbert</i>	<i>Elmore</i>	<i>Malcolmson</i>	<i>Sims</i>
<i>Chen</i>	<i>Fleming</i>	<i>Mark</i>	<i>Singh</i>
<i>Chouhan</i>	<i>Fraser</i>	<i>Mungall</i>	<i>Trevena</i>
<i>Chow</i>	<i>Glumac</i>	<i>Popham</i>	<i>Furstenau</i>
<i>Conroy</i>	<i>Heyman</i>	<i>Ralston</i>	<i>Olsen</i>
<i>D'Eith</i>	<i>Horgan</i>	<i>Rice</i>	<i>Weaver</i>

NAYS—39

<i>Polak</i>	<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Oakes</i>	<i>Sturdy</i>
<i>Barnett</i>	<i>Hunt</i>	<i>Paton</i>	<i>Sullivan</i>
<i>Bernier</i>	<i>Isaacs</i>	<i>Redies</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Bond</i>	<i>Johal</i>	<i>Reid</i>	<i>Tegart</i>
<i>Cadieux</i>	<i>Kyllo</i>	<i>Ross</i>	<i>Thomson</i>
<i>Clovechok</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Rustad</i>	<i>Throness</i>
<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Letnick</i>	<i>Shypitka</i>	<i>Wat</i>
<i>Davies</i>	<i>Martin</i>	<i>Stewart</i>	<i>Wilkinson</i>
<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Milobar</i>	<i>Stilwell</i>	<i>Yap</i>
<i>Foster</i>	<i>Morris</i>	<i>Stone</i>	

Bill (No. 4) read a third time and passed.

And then the House adjourned at 6.25 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Wednesday, July 29, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O’CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Sims*.

On the motion of Mr. *Johal*, Bill (No. M 208) intituled *Insurance Corporation Amendment Act, 2020* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Mr. *Yap*, Bill (No. M 209) intituled *Liquor Control and Licensing Amendment Act, 2020* 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.”

Ms. *Bond* presented a petition to be forwarded to the Office of the Clerk.

By leave, the Hon. *M. Farnworth* moved—

That, notwithstanding the provisions of the Sessional Order establishing special procedures respecting the regulation of the conduct of proceedings of the Committee of Supply in exceptional circumstances (COVID-19 pandemic) adopted on June 22, 2020, the Committee of Supply, Section C, not meet on July 31, 2020.

Motion agreed to.

By leave, the Hon. *M. Farnworth* moved—

That, notwithstanding the usual practices of the House, a Committee of the Whole be struck and authorized to meet on July 31, 2020, and that Bill (No. 23) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act, 2020*, be committed to the said Committee;

And further, that:

1. For greater certainty, the Committee be authorized to sit during a period in which the House is adjourned.
2. The Committee be authorized to conduct its proceedings by way of Zoom videoconferencing technology.
3. Members participating in the proceedings of the Committee by the approved videoconferencing technology must have the audio and video functions enabled with their face clearly visible in order to be counted towards quorum, to participate in debate, and to vote.
4. The Committee have two distinct meetings: 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., unless otherwise determined by the Committee.
5. The Deputy Chair of the Committee of the Whole, or their designate, shall preside in the Committee.
6. The Deputy Chair of the Committee of the Whole be empowered to exercise discretion in the interpretation of any provision of the Standing Orders or Sessional Orders that may require leniency or alteration in order to allow all Members to be able to fully exercise their duties and rights in the proceedings of the Committee.
7. The Committee consist of 17 Members, not including the Chair, being eight Members of the Government Caucus, eight Members of the Official Opposition Caucus, and one Member of the Third Party Caucus.
8. The Members of the Committee be: the Minister in charge of Bill (No. 23) and *Garry Begg, Bob D'Eith, Mike Farnworth, Rob Fleming, Carole James, Bowinn Ma, Bruce Ralston, Dan Ashton, Donna Barnett, Coralee Oakes, Tom Shypitka, Jordan Sturdy, Ralph Sultan, Steve Thomson, John Yap, and Adam Olsen.*
9. Substitutions for Members of the Committee be permitted. Advance notice of substitutions shall be transmitted to the Office of the Clerk by the respective Whip at least one hour prior to the scheduled meeting time.
10. At the discretion of the Chair, all Members of the Legislative Assembly be permitted to speak to any clause of Bill (No. 23) under consideration by the Committee and to propose amendments and subamendments.
11. The provisions of Standing Order 45A, Schedule 6, setting out the time limits on speeches, apply to the proceedings of the Committee.
12. Consistent with Standing Order 6, the presence of at least ten Members, including the Chair, shall be necessary to constitute a proceeding of the Committee for the exercise of its powers.
13. For greater certainty, Standing Orders 61, 62, 63, 64 and 84, and any other Standing Orders regulating the proceedings of a Committee of the Whole, continue to apply to the proceedings of the Committee.
14. Only the Members of the Committee or duly authorized substitutions shall vote in a division.
15. When a division is requested in the Committee, the Chair shall announce that a division has been called. No longer than 15 minutes thereafter, unless the Committee unanimously agrees otherwise, the Chair shall again state the question. No Member shall connect to or disconnect from the approved videoconferencing technology after the final statement of the question until the division has been fully taken, and every Member of the Committee or duly authorized substitution present shall vote.
16. During a meeting of the Committee, if a division is underway, the Committee shall sit beyond the time of adjournment set in section 4 of this order until the division has concluded and any consequential business has been disposed of.
17. The Chair shall report to the House at the next sitting day of the House.

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 18) intituled *Economic Stabilization (COVID-19) Act*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 18) read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 23) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act, 2020* was again committed.

Mr. *Lee* moved a proposed amendment to section 11 of Bill (No. 23) 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 5.25 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Monday, August 10, 2020

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Davies*.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Order called for “Private Members’ Statements.”

10 By leave, Ms. *Singh* moved—

Be it resolved that this House agree that governments should work to build an equitable economy for all—not just the wealthy few.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

The following reports from Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C, were deposited with the Office of the Clerk during adjournment:

Thursday, July 30, 2020, morning:

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Advanced Education, Skills and Training.

Section C of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General.

Thursday, July 30, 2020, afternoon:

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Advanced Education, Skills and Training and further reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development.

Section C of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,366,498,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Advanced Education, Skills and Training, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2021.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$800,352,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2021.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$36,527,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General, *Emergency Program Act*, to 31st March, 2021.

Friday, July 31, 2020, morning:

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development.

Friday, July 31, 2020, afternoon:

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development.

Reports from Committee of Supply, Section A and Section C on Thursday, July 30 and Friday, July 31, 2020, to be considered at the next sitting.

By agreement, summary of debate of estimates passed in Section A and Section C (Ministry of Advanced Education, Skills and Training and Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.54 a.m.

Monday, August 10, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *D. Plecas* (Speaker) tabled the following documents:

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Ministerial Order No. M256, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, August 4, 2020;

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Ministerial Order No. M257, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, August 4, 2020;

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Order in Council No. 449, Attorney General, August 4, 2020;

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Order in Council No. 449, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, August 4, 2020;

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Order in Council No. 451, Attorney General, August 4, 2020;

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Order in Council No. 453, Attorney General, August 4, 2020;

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Order in Council No. 453, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, August 5, 2020;

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Order in Council No. 457, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, August 5, 2020;

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Order in Council No. 457, Attorney General, August 7, 2020; and,

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Order in Council No. 459, Attorney General, August 7, 2020.

The Hon. *D. Donaldson* (Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development) made a statement clarifying comments made during Committee of the Whole proceedings on Bill (No. 13) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2020*.

Mr. *Chandra Herbert* presented a report as follows:

“LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

“AUGUST 10, 2020

“To the Honourable Legislative Assembly of the

“Province of British Columbia

“Honourable Members:

“Pursuant to the resolution of the House of July 29, 2020, I have the honour to present a report regarding Committee of the Whole proceedings on Bill (No. 23) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act, 2020* that took place on July 31, 2020.

“The Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 23) reports the bill complete without amendment. The results of the division taken by the Committee under section 15 of the aforementioned resolution of the House are attached to this report.

“Respectfully submitted,

“SPENCER CHANDRA HERBERT, MLA

“DEPUTY CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

(IN COMMITTEE)

The motion that the Committee rise and report Bill (No. 23) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act, 2020* complete without amendment was agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—9

Bains
Begg
Chen

Farnworth
Kahlon

Malcolmson
Mark

Popham
Olsen

NAYS—8

Bond
Cadieux

Foster
Lee

Martin
Oakes

Ross
Sturdy

Committee of the Whole reported Bill (No. 23) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act, 2020* complete without amendment.

Bill (No. 23) as reported to be considered later today.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 23) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act, 2020*, a debate arose.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, division on the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 23) was deferred to later today.

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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 Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The House recessed until 6.10 p.m.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, the House proceeded to deferred divisions.

The motion for third reading of Bill (No. 23) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act, 2020*, was agreed to on the following deferred division:

YEAS—44

Farnworth
Bains
Beare
Begg
Brar
Chandra Herbert
Chen
Chouhan
Chow
Conroy
D’Eith

Darcy
Dean
Dix
Donaldson
Eby
Elmore
Fleming
Fraser
Glumac
Heyman
Horgan

James
Kahlon
Kang
Leonard
Ma
Malcolmson
Mark
Mungall
Popham
Ralston
Rice

Robinson
Routledge
Routley
Simons
Simpson
Sims
Singh
Trevena
Furstenau
Olsen
Weaver

NAYS—41

<i>Polak</i>	<i>Hunt</i>	<i>Oakes</i>	<i>Sturdy</i>
<i>Ashton</i>	<i>Isaacs</i>	<i>Paton</i>	<i>Sullivan</i>
<i>Barnett</i>	<i>Johal</i>	<i>Redies</i>	<i>Sultan</i>
<i>Bernier</i>	<i>Kyllo</i>	<i>Reid</i>	<i>Tegart</i>
<i>Bond</i>	<i>Larson</i>	<i>Ross</i>	<i>Thomson</i>
<i>Clovechok</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Rustad</i>	<i>Thornthwaite</i>
<i>Coleman</i>	<i>Letnick</i>	<i>Shypitka</i>	<i>Throness</i>
<i>Davies</i>	<i>Martin</i>	<i>Stewart</i>	<i>Wat</i>
<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Milobar</i>	<i>Stilwell</i>	<i>Wilkinson</i>
<i>Foster</i>	<i>Morris</i>	<i>Stone</i>	<i>Yap</i>
<i>Gibson</i>			

Bill (No. 23) read a third time and passed.

And then the House adjourned at 6.24 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Morris*.

Order called for “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

Mr. *Clovechok* presented a petition to be forwarded to the Office of the Clerk.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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 Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 12 noon.

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *C. James* (Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier) tabled the Speculation and Vacancy Tax Annual Report, 2018 Tax Year.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION B)

29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$489,126,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2021.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$136,310,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development, Fire Management, to 31st March, 2021.

51. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,861,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Forest Practices Board, to 31st March, 2021.

Section B of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again later today.

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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 Finance.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 6.26 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Wednesday, August 12, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Stone*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

By leave, Mr. *de Jong* tabled correspondence from Mr. *Johal* to the Information and Privacy Commissioner regarding privacy rights concerns relating to information technology support services to health authorities.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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 Finance. Report to be considered at the next sitting. Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 6.26 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Thursday, August 13, 2020

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Stilwell*.

On the motion of Ms. *Isaacs*, Bill (No. M 210) intituled *High Dose Influenza Vaccine for Seniors Act, 2020* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Mr. *Throness*, Bill (No. M 211) intituled *Land Tax Deferment (Cultus Lake Park) Amendment Act, 2020* 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. *L. Beare* (Minister of Tourism, Arts and Culture) tabled the B.C. Arts Council Annual Report, 2019/2020, and supplementary documents, B.C. Arts Council Assessors for 2019/20 and Awards Listing, 2019/20.

The Hon. *A. Kang* presented a petition to be forwarded to the Office of the Clerk.

Mr. *Simons* presented a petition to be forwarded to the Office of the Clerk.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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 Finance. 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, August 13, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O’CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION B)

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$267,491,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Finance, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2021.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$28,326,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Finance, Government Communications and Public Engagement, to 31st March, 2021.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$54,381,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Finance, BC Public Service Agency, to 31st March, 2021.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Finance, Benefits and Other Employment Costs, to 31st March, 2021.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,196,835,000 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, 2021.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,066,042,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Contingencies (All Ministries) and New Programs, to 31st March, 2021.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,789,336,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Capital Funding, to 31st March, 2021.

47. *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, to 31st March, 2021.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Allowances for Doubtful Revenue Accounts, to 31st March, 2021.

49. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,686,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Tax Transfers, to 31st March, 2021.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Contingencies (All Ministries): Federal and Provincial Pandemic Support, to 31st March, 2021.

Section B of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Finance.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

1 Mr. *Kyllo* asked the Hon. Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources the following questions:—

1. Can the Minister provide an update on the review of the Alouette Water Use Plan, and will the Minister commit to ensuring that B.C. Hydro protects smolt outmigration by preserving necessary water levels?

2. Does B.C. Hydro intend to join the Stave and Alouette Water Use Plans together, and can the Minister provide the analysis of doing so to the impacts of smolt outmigration for the Alouette River?

The Hon. *B. Ralston* (Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources) replied as follows:

“Question:

“1. Can the Minister provide an update on the review of the Alouette Water Use Plan, and will the Minister commit to ensuring that B.C. Hydro protects smolt outmigration by preserving necessary water levels?

“Response:

“The Alouette and the Stave Falls-Ruskin Water Use Plan (WUP) Order reviews were underway when we all were faced with challenges related to the COVID-19 pandemic. As a result of the uncertainties and quickly changing events related to the pandemic, B.C. Hydro decided to suspend all WUP Order Review engagement activities.

“As the province is now reopening, B.C. Hydro is reviewing the activities for the WUP Order Review this fall and preparing for virtual engagement on the remaining Alouette and the Stave Falls-Ruskin WUP Order Review activities.

“Protecting fish populations is a priority for B.C. Hydro and the province. B.C. Hydro supports the continuation of the annual spillway surface flows during the smolt outmigration period and other fisheries objectives, in accordance to the Water Use Plan and in consideration of yearly inflow uncertainties.

“Question:

“2. Does B.C. Hydro intend to join the Stave and Alouette Water Use Plans together, and can the Minister provide the analysis of doing so to the impacts of smolt outmigration for the Alouette River?”

“Response:

“Yes, the Province has directed B.C. Hydro to merge the Alouette Water Use Plan with the Stave Falls-Ruskin Water Use Plan. The projects are already linked as an integrated operating system for generation, flood risk management, and environmental objectives. A merged plan should make inter-project relationships and objectives more apparent. The integrated WUP Order Review Report intends to examine and review the existing operating constraints, physical works and limitations, and monitoring programs for the three facilities, subject to Dam Safety criteria. A single combined WUP Order Review Report will be prepared and submitted to the Province for review. In the interim, B.C. Hydro has and continues to operate the Alouette, Stave, and Ruskin facilities as an integrated system and in compliance with the WUP Orders.

“Engagement with First Nations, local government, regulatory agencies, stakeholders, and the public are an important part of the Order Review process. The latest information on the status of the Alouette WUP Order Review can be found on B.C. Hydro’s website: https://www.bchydro.com/toolbar/about/sustainability/conservation/water_use_planning/lower_mainland/alouette.html.”

And then the House adjourned at 6.30 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

Friday, August 14, 2020

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. Reid.

The Hon. D. Plecas (Speaker) tabled *Parliamentary Practice in British Columbia, Fifth Edition*, 2020.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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 Office of the Premier. 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.

Friday, August 14, 2020

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION B)

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,334,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Office of the Premier, Office of the Premier, to 31st March, 2021.

Section B of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution and completion of the estimates of the Office of the Premier.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION B)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$85,014,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislative Assembly, to 31st March, 2021.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$18,575,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Auditor General, to 31st March, 2021.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$734,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Conflict of Interest Commissioner, to 31st March, 2021.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$18,801,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Elections BC, to 31st March, 2021.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,500,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Human Rights Commissioner, to 31st March, 2021.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,942,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Information and Privacy Commissioner, to 31st March, 2021.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,365,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Merit Commissioner, to 31st March, 2021.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,366,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Ombudsperson, to 31st March, 2021.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,092,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Police Complaint Commissioner, to 31st March, 2021.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,471,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Representative for Children and Youth, to 31st March, 2021.

Section B of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the estimates of the Legislative Assembly and Officers of the Legislature.

Report to be considered forthwith.

Order called for consideration of reports of Resolutions from Committee of Supply.

The Hon. *C. James* (Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier) moved—

That the reports of resolutions from the Committees of Supply on March 5; June 25, 26; July 9, 10, 16, 17, 23, 24, 30; and August 11, 13 and 14 be now received, taken as read and agreed to.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *C. James* (Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier) moved—

That there be granted to Her Majesty, from and out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, the sum of 55 billion, 220 million, 431 thousand dollars towards defraying the charges and expenses of the public service of the province for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2021. This sum includes that authorized to be paid under section 1 of the *Supply Act (No. 2), 2020*.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *C. James* (Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 25) intituled *Supply Act, 2020–2021* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
August 7, 2020.

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. 25) was read a second time.

On the motion of the Hon. *C. James* (Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier), Bill (No. 25) was referred to a Committee of the Whole House to be considered forthwith.

Bill (No. 25) was committed, 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—

Kate Ryan-Lloyd, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, read the titles to the following Acts:

Bill (No. 2) *Motor Vehicle Amendment Act, 2020*.

Bill (No. 4) *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2020*.

Bill (No. 5) *Employment Standards Amendment Act, 2020*.

Bill (No. 6) *Mines Amendment Act, 2020*.

Bill (No. 11) *Attorney General Statutes (Vehicle Insurance) Amendment Act, 2020*.

Bill (No. 13) *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2020*.

Bill (No. 14) *Municipal Affairs and Housing Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2020*.

Bill (No. 18) *Economic Stabilization (COVID-19) Act*.

Bill (No. 20) *Motor Vehicle Amendment Act (No. 2), 2020*.

Bill (No. 21) *Wills, Estates and Succession Amendment Act, 2020*.

Bill (No. 23) *Workers Compensation Amendment Act, 2020*.

Bill (No. 24) *Municipalities Enabling and Validating (No. 4) Amendment Act, 2020*.

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

The said assent was announced by *Kate Ryan-Lloyd*, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, in the following words:

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

Kate Ryan-Lloyd, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, read the title to the following Act:

Bill (No. 25) *Supply Act, 2020–2021*.

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

The said assent was announced by *Kate Ryan-Lloyd*, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, 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.

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* moved—

1. 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 Fifth Session of the Forty-first Parliament of the Province of British Columbia. The Speaker shall give notice to all Members 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.

2. That, by agreement of the Speaker and the House Leaders of each recognized caucus, the location of sittings and means of conducting sittings of this House may be altered if required due to an emergency situation or public health measures, and that such agreement constitute the authorization of the House to proceed in the manner agreed to. The Speaker shall give notice to all Members of the agreement.

3. 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; in the event that the Deputy Speaker being unable to act owing to illness or other cause, the Deputy Chair of the Committee of the Whole shall act in his stead for the purpose of this order; and in the event that the Deputy Chair of the Committee of the Whole being unable to act owing to illness or other cause, another Member designated collectively by the House Leaders of each recognized caucus shall act in his stead for the purpose of this order.

Motion agreed to.

And then the House adjourned at 5.11 p.m.

HON. DARRYL PLECAS, *Speaker*

PROCLAMATION

[L.S.]

JANET AUSTIN
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

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS We have thought fit to dissolve the forty-first Legislative Assembly of Our said Province,

NOW KNOW THAT We do, for this end, publish this Our Royal Proclamation, and do hereby dissolve the forty-first Legislative Assembly accordingly on September 21, 2020, and the members thereof are discharged from further attendance on the same.

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 Janet Austin, Lieutenant Governor of Our Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our Province, this twenty-first day of September, two thousand twenty and in the sixty-ninth year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND.