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Prayers and Reflections by Elder Butch Dick, Songhees Nation.

This being the first day of the second meeting of the Forty-second Parliament of the Province of British Columbia for the dispatch of business, pursuant to a Proclamation of the Honourable JANET AUSTIN, Lieutenant Governor of the Province, dated the 8th day of April, 2021, 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:

OPENING

It is with great sadness that I acknowledge the passing of His Royal Highness The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, at the age of 99, on April 9th, 2021.

As the devoted husband and consort to Her Majesty The Queen, the marriage of Her Majesty and His Royal Highness formed a foundation of leadership of the United Kingdom and Commonwealth for nearly eight decades. On the occasion of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee in 2012, Her Majesty referred to His Royal Highness as her "constant strength and guide."

His Royal Highness will be remembered fondly by British Columbians for his devotion to Queen and country, his duties as Royal Patron, and his ever-keen interest in the lives and work of Canadians.

On behalf of all British Columbians, I wish to once more extend my heartfelt condolences to Her Majesty The Queen, the entire Royal Family, and all citizens of the Commonwealth, on the loss of this steadfast companion and most loyal Prince.

MOVING FORWARD

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

For the last four years, your government has worked to go beyond these important land acknowledgements — and actively forge partnerships with Indigenous peoples.

Working together, we have progressed in advancing meaningful reconciliation.

Indigenous languages are being revitalized.

Child welfare legislation has been improved, so more children rightfully remain with their families and communities.

And the fundamental human rights of Indigenous peoples have been enshrined in law with the unanimous passage of the Declaration Act in this legislature.

This hard work has only just begun — and it must be done together to be successful.

The pandemic has exposed pre-existing systemic gaps in health care, housing, and other basic services.

Your government recognizes that our future must be one where we share decision making and prosperity with the Indigenous peoples who have exercised their inherent rights on their respective territories since time immemorial.

IN MEMORIAM

As is our tradition, we open the second session of the 42nd Parliament by pausing to remember some of the British Columbians we have lost in the past year.

Indigenous leaders and Elders: Nisga'a Nation leader Chief Joe Gosnell; Gitxsan leader Neil Sterritt; fishing rights trailblazer Ronald Sparrow; health-care rights advocate Carole Dawson; Indigenous rights defender David Dennis; Xenaksiala land protector Elder Cecil Paul; Cree Elder and educator Dr. Rosalyn Ing.

Elected officials who served British Columbians: MLAs Ed Conroy; Helmut Giesbrecht; Lyle Kahl; Bill King; Renaldo Angelo Masi; Jim Gorst; Lorne Nicolson; Gordon Hanson; and Ian Waddell.

Leaders in sport: curler Paul Devlin; World Cup skier Brayden Kuroda; hockey player and coach Phil Maloney; hockey player and broadcaster Howie Meeker; rower Kathleen Heddle; cyclist Jim Davies; soccer coach Tony Waiters; BC Lions owner David Braley.

Prominent contributors to the arts: artist Wayne Ngan; jazz musician and educator Hugh Fraser; actor Brent Carver; composer and pianist Linda Niamath; actor and playwright Taran Kootenhayoo; and arts executive Raj Sen.

Journalists and media figures: radio host Salman Nasir; photojournalist Ted Grant; and journalist and playwright Bob Sarti.

Trailblazing members of the legal community: Constance Dora Isherwood and human-rights lawyer Joe Arvay.

Leaders in the labour movement: Canadian farmworkers' union founder and anti-racism activist Charanpall Gill; BCGEU leader John Fryer; and labour activist Kim Manton.

Philanthropists: former UBC Chancellor Bob Lee; veteran Rudi Hoenson; and fundraiser for the arts Eric Charman.

Other community leaders: political watchdog Dermod Travis; war heroes George Chow and Norman Kirby; youth homelessness advocate Katherine McParland; and veteran and founder of the Chinese Canadian Military Museum Colonel Howe Lee.

We honour their contributions to our province as we mourn their loss.

Of course, this has been a year like no other.

Tragically, we have also lost over 1,400 British Columbians to COVID-19 and over 1,800 to the overdose crisis since the pandemic began.

These are not just numbers. They are our grandparents and Elders, our parents and siblings, our colleagues, neighbours, and friends.

We acknowledge and share in the grief of British Columbians who have lost someone they love in the past year.

PUTTING THE PANDEMIC BEHIND US

The COVID-19 pandemic is the toughest challenge we have faced in more than a generation.

Many have had to say goodbye to a loved one too soon. Many others have felt the financial stress of job loss, or the strains of loneliness and isolation.

Every one of us has been called on to do our part — and to stay apart — to protect the people around us.

British Columbians have risen to the task.

Health-care workers leapt into action immediately.

Grocery store employees, truck drivers, and farmers kept food on our tables.

Teachers, school support staff, and childcare workers carried on their important work under difficult circumstances.

Small business owners changed the way they operated to keep workers and customers safe.

This year, British Columbia's Medal of Good Citizenship will recognize those who have gone above and beyond in their efforts during this extraordinary time.

We have come a long way by looking out for each other.

The lessons we have learned over the last year will serve us well as we turn toward recovery.

THE FINAL PUSH

We open this sitting of the legislature at a turning point in our fight to end the pandemic.

The threat of new variants means we cannot relax, even as your government accelerates the largest mass-immunization program in B.C.'s history.

Thanks to the hard work of public health officials, community leaders, and volunteers, our age-based vaccine rollout is ahead of schedule.

More than a million British Columbians have already received their first dose.

Thousands more are being added to that list every day.

A new partnership is helping 1,400 people previously working in tourism and hospitality sectors get jobs supporting B.C.'s immunization rollout.

If vaccine supplies are delivered as scheduled, everyone in B.C. will be able to receive one by the end of June.

With each person who gets vaccinated, all of us become safer.

Bringing us one step closer to the end of the pandemic.

But in a marathon, the final push is the most difficult.

This pandemic is no different, as the last few weeks have proven.

High case counts mean we all must continue working together to keep each other safe.

As we get vaccinations into arms as quickly as possible, we must not let down our guard or give up on our layers of protection.

Not when we are this close to the end.

Keeping people healthy and safe until we have crossed the finish line is our collective responsibility.

It is an essential precondition for economic recovery and a return to normal life.

And it will remain your government's top priority.

COMING BACK STRONGER

When the pandemic struck, B.C. was a fiscal and economic leader in Canada.

We were one of Canada's fastest growing economies, with low unemployment rates and steadily rising wages.

Despite the challenges of the last year, our strengths remain.

We have abundant natural resources and clean technology.

We are a gateway to Asia and major ports to North America.

And our biggest strength is our people — hard working, highly skilled, and with a culture of entrepreneurship and innovation.

Take life sciences as just one example.

B.C. is home to 300 biopharmaceutical, medical device, and bioproduct companies.

COVID-19 has highlighted the enormous benefits offered by this sector.

Think of Precision NanoSystems' work on a vaccine, AbCellera Biologics' work on a treatment, or StarFish Medical's development of an ICU ventilator for use in Canadian hospitals.

Their work will not only help bring us out of the pandemic, it will position our province for success in the years ahead.

We are already seeing positive indications that the recovery is well underway here in B.C.

Our province has seen months of sustained job growth and currently has the highest job recovery rate in Canada.

Under new safety guidelines, B.C. film and television production has bounced back stronger than ever.

The mining sector, which worked closely with government to remain open safely during the pandemic, saw stronger exploration over the past year than any year since 2013.

CN Rail is investing almost a half billion dollars in British Columbia to support growing demand. And Microsoft Canada recently announced it is adding 500 new jobs in Vancouver next year.

While these are encouraging signs, there is a lot more we need to do:

To help the businesses and workers in our hard-hit tourism and hospitality sectors rebound and recover.

To ensure charitable organizations and the non-profit sector are supported, so they can support people and communities.

To create good jobs while tackling the climate crisis and protecting the environment.

And ultimately position British Columbia to come back even stronger once we have put the pandemic behind us.

A BUDGET TO MAKE B.C. STRONGER FOR EVERYONE

Later this month, your government will introduce a new budget.

All budgets are about choices.

This budget will choose to help people now and create the conditions for a strong economic recovery that reaches every British Columbian.

It will make health care better while creating new opportunities for people.

It will target help to small businesses so they can grow and hire.

And it will invest in the infrastructure we need to strengthen local communities.

Your government will base its long-term budget plan on several principles of fiscal responsibility that have guided it since day one.

First and foremost, your government will protect the public services that British Columbians rely on and that have proven critical in our fight against COVID-19.

Then, after the pandemic ends, it will carefully return to balanced budgets as the economy recovers.

INVESTING IN PEOPLE

The focus of your government from day one has been to put people first.

Even when the pandemic struck, that focus did not waver.

Your government moved quickly to provide relief for renters, middle-class families, and the most vulnerable.

B.C. has delivered more direct help for people throughout the pandemic than any other province in Canada.

Our province also took a leadership role in protecting workers.

We successfully advocated for a paid sick leave benefits for workers across Canada during the pandemic.

And we amended B.C.'s laws to make sure workers cannot be fired for staying home when they are sick. Your government understood that while COVID-19 has affected everyone, it has not done so evenly. Put another way: we are all in the same storm, but not in the same boat.

Women have been more likely to lose a job or feel forced out of the workforce.

Young people have missed out on work opportunities and vital social connections.

Indigenous peoples, Black people, people of colour, as well as those working in frontline jobs and the gig economy, have all been affected disproportionately.

As we move forward towards better days, your government will make targeted investments to ensure the recovery does not leave people behind.

BETTER HEALTH CARE

The work of investing in people starts with improving health care.

The pandemic has shown that keeping people healthy and safe is the foundation for a strong and resilient British Columbia.

Four years ago, your government set out to deliver faster, more personalized health care, closer to home.

While much has been accomplished, there is a lot more to do.

In the year ahead, your government will continue to improve care for seniors by hiring thousands of new workers for long-term care and fixing the cracks COVID-19 has exposed.

It will reduce wait times by permanently changing the way we deliver surgeries in B.C. to get more patients their surgery faster.

And it will build more hospitals and urgent primary care centres to ensure quality health care is there when you need it, where you need it.

This includes building a new hospital in Surrey and an expanded Richmond tower to deliver more services in fast-growing communities.

SUPPORTING MENTAL HEALTH

COVID-19 has not just affected our physical health. It has also taken a toll on our mental health.

People everywhere are experiencing increased anxiety, stress, and depression.

Prior to the pandemic, Canada's first stand-alone Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions was making good progress.

Now we will redouble our efforts.

Through the upcoming budget, your government will make new investments in the Pathway to Hope plan to improve mental health and addictions care for people.

And B.C. will take action to end the criminalization of simple drug possession that directly leads to stigma and prevents people from seeking services.

MAKING LIFE MORE AFFORDABLE

Our emerging recovery will not be felt fully by everyone if too many people continue to feel weighed down by the cost of everyday life.

For the last four years, your government has worked hard to make things a little easier.

It eliminated MSP health care premiums and road tolls.

It cut hydro rates and put money back into family's pockets with the Child Opportunity Benefit.

It eliminated interest on B.C. student loans and launched a grant program to make post-secondary education more accessible.

And it took steps to rein in skyrocketing housing prices by introducing a speculation tax that has helped turn 18,000 empty condos into long-term rentals.

The pressures created by COVID-19 have made it harder for many of those who were already struggling to balance a household budget.

In the year ahead, additional steps will be taken to make life more affordable for people.

Changes at ICBC will deliver a 20% cut to car insurance rates.

The reduction is on top of the COVID-19 rebate that was issued earlier this year, and in addition to last year's freeze on rates.

This means hundreds of dollars in savings to every driver in B.C. and an end to the threat of extreme annual increases.

Your government will continue to seek opportunities to generate further savings for drivers that are consistent with protecting ICBC's long-term fiscal integrity.

Whether you are renting or paying a mortgage, there is no bigger monthly expense for most British Columbians than housing.

That's why your government will pursue its goal of a province where everyone has access to a safe and affordable place to call home.

This will include new investments through Budget 2021 to help get thousands of "missing middle" rental homes built throughout the province.

Your government will help even more families get access to affordable, high-quality child care and increase the number of \$10-a-day spaces.

This will make life easier and support a strong economic recovery by helping more parents re-enter the workforce.

And your government will also take steps to recognize and retain early childhood educators who have been essential during the pandemic — and will be essential to our recovery.

Life becomes more affordable, not just when costs go down, but also when incomes go up.

In June, B.C.'s minimum wage will increase to over \$15 an hour for the first time.

This will give the lowest income workers a well-deserved raise — many of whom have worked in essential services throughout the pandemic.

Your government has also made permanent the largest-ever increase to income and disability assistance rates and the first-ever increase to the seniors' supplement.

TACKLING INEQUALITY AND HOMELESSNESS

Perhaps most challenged over the last year have been those most vulnerable in our province.

This includes people facing housing insecurity.

COVID-19 has also made the challenge of homelessness more visible in our communities.

Those without a real home or decent shelter — many of whom suffer from mental illness and addiction — have found themselves living in dense encampments, often in city parks.

While your government has made unprecedented investments in thousands of new units over the last four years, homelessness remains a critical issue that government is determined to confront.

That's why it is building new partnerships with municipalities and making new investments to tackle these issues.

Combined with new approaches to support those with complex health and social needs, these initiatives will help move people from unsafe encampments to more secure housing.

STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES

Local communities have been on the front lines of COVID-19.

And your government has been there to support them from the start.

Cash-flow relief early on, and the BC-Canada Safe Restart Agreement, ensured local governments could continue providing services — and keep the people who provide those services working.

As we turn towards recovery, investing in stronger communities will be a key priority.

Budget 2021 will make record investments in infrastructure to keep people and our economy moving.

Combined with expanded training programs and Community Benefit Agreements, these investments will support good job creation where it is needed most.

Projects like the Broadway Subway, Pattullo Bridge replacement, the Highway 1 expansion in the interior, and the final phase of the Kicking Horse Canyon will keep moving forward.

The George Massey crossing replacement will continue to be a priority and steps will be taken toward building the Surrey-Langley Skytrain, ensuring the line fully extends to Langley.

To support coastal communities, your government will also launch a made-in-B.C. shipbuilding strategy and fight to bring construction of Canada's next polar icebreaker back to B.C. shipyards.

SAFE AND SUPPORTED SCHOOLS

When schools closed down for in-class learning last spring, the lives of many families were suddenly turned upside down.

Kids were separated from their social networks and cut off from services they rely on.

Parents struggled to balance supervising their children's online learning with their own work responsibilities.

This is why your government prioritized quickly and safely reopening schools — and ensuring they could stay open.

The success and stability of B.C.'s safe school reopening is a testament to the extraordinary collaboration and commitment from all of our education partners.

Everyone pulled together in the best interest of kids.

Teachers and educational assistants, principals and vice-principals, clerical workers, custodial staff and school bus drivers; superintendents, trustees and parent advisory councils.

Your government has worked closely with all stakeholders and with the federal government to provide nearly \$290 million in new funding for school boards.

This investment has put millions of pieces of PPE, thousands of hand-sanitizing stations, and hundreds of new frontline staff in our schools.

As we prepare for the next school year, your government will continue making investments that will keep our schools safe and classrooms well supported.

BRIDGING THE DIGITAL DIVIDE

Just as people and sectors of the economy have not been equally affected by COVID-19, neither have our communities.

The pandemic has changed how we work and connect with others.

And that can look very different if you are working remotely from one of B.C.'s large urban centres or suburbs, versus a rural or remote community.

When the pandemic hit, your government acted fast to meet the growing demand and connect more people and businesses in more communities.

Now over 10,000 more households across the province have better internet.

Funding provided through the StrongerBC Recovery Plan will add hundreds of kilometres of cell coverage on B.C. highways, making life safer for people.

Your government's upcoming budget will continue this work with new investments to boost digital connectivity in even more rural communities.

Many small and medium-sized businesses also had to adjust — changing the way they operate as more and more people shifted to making their purchases online.

Every step of the way, your government has been there to help them adapt to the new reality.

The new Launch Online program is helping over 4,000 eligible small businesses increase their digital presence and build or expand online stores.

Throughout the pandemic, your government worked to keep essential offices open safely.

There is an old saying that necessity is the mother of invention.

Some core services were maintained by moving online or finding appropriate new locations.

For example, B.C.'s courts never closed, with the Court of Appeal meeting remotely, and some jury trials moved to safer locations in theatres.

In the year ahead, your government will look carefully at public-service innovations that came about during the pandemic, with an eye to maintaining those elements that offer greater efficiency and make life more convenient for people.

SUPPORTING ARTS AND CULTURE

The pandemic has dealt a significant blow to artists who rely on live performances to make a living.

Not being able to see a play in a theatre, go to the opera or symphony, or catch a concert with friends, has hurt all of us.

The arts are the soul of our communities.

Your government is working with leaders in the arts community and Dr. Bonnie Henry's team to plan a safe return.

Until that return is possible, your government is stepping up and providing additional support to people, arts organizations, and venues.

MORE INCLUSIVE COMMUNITIES

Unfortunately, while the pandemic has brought out the best in most people, we have also seen it bring out the worst in some.

Hatred and racist actions have been on the rise since COVID-19 began.

Anti-Asian hate crimes have increased by over 700% in Vancouver — in 2020 alone.

Racism has no place in our communities. Everyone has a right to feel safe and respected.

Your government is committed to the work that must be done to dismantle systemic discrimination that is still a lived reality for too many in our province.

It launched Resilience BC, a new anti-racism network.

It has committed to introducing race-based data collection to help identify gaps in services and how to address them.

In the months ahead, your government will continue working with communities to develop B.C.'s first anti-racism law and to reform our outdated *Police Act*.

It will also introduce landmark legislation to remove barriers to accessibility and inclusion experienced by British Columbians with disabilities.

To honour their contributions and celebrate the diversity of British Columbia, your government will continue building on the recently established Chinese Canadian Museum and legacy investments that recognize South Asian Canadian heritage.

Diversity and inclusion are what make B.C.'s communities so special.

Your government will work with you to protect and celebrate it.

HELPING BUSINESSES GROW AND HIRE

Small businesses are vital to our local economies and our communities.

They help give neighbourhoods their distinctive character.

Many of us got our first job at a small business.

Even in normal times, it takes skills and tenacity to run a successful small business — faced with thin margins and an ever-changing marketplace.

The pandemic only compounded those challenges with new ones that none of us could have expected.

From the outset, your government made it clear that it would help small businesses and their employees get through it.

Early on, it cut property taxes, prohibited commercial evictions, and forgave hydro bills.

Later through the recovery plan, it provided tax incentives for businesses to hire workers and a PST rebate to help companies make capital investments in equipment and machinery.

It has not always been easy. Things have changed quickly through the pandemic.

Your government's response to the uncertainty has been to listen to those on the front lines, ready to respond and adjust as required.

For example, your government recently expanded the timelines and adjusted eligibility criteria for the small and medium-sized business support program.

The grant is now easier for businesses to qualify for, and has increased support for those in the hard-hit tourism sector.

AN INNOVATIVE, SUSTAINABLE, AND INCLUSIVE FUTURE

In the year ahead, your government will continue to help businesses recover from the short-term effects of the pandemic.

And it will keep building an innovative, sustainable, and inclusive economy — with an eye to the post-pandemic world.

Global markets are changing in ways that offer significant opportunities for B.C.'s goods and services.

Prices are expected to continue to reflect environmental, social and governance aspects of production.

British Columbia firms will be able to take advantage of a premium paid for inclusive and sustainable products.

For example, agritech is already allowing agricultural, food processing and seafood sectors to benefit from the use of innovation and technology.

By embracing innovation, these producers are enhancing productivity while addressing expectations around the sustainability and traceability of food products.

In the year ahead, your government will take additional steps to support innovation and technology.

During this session, your government will introduce legislation to support the operations of InBC Investment Corporation.

This new strategic fund will help promising B.C. companies scale up, anchor talent — keeping jobs and investment at home in British Columbia.

Building on recommendations from the Premier's Food Security Task Force, your government has created a new Agritech Concierge that will support food producers and innovators.

The pandemic has driven home how lucky we are to live in a place of such natural abundance.

From Okanagan cherries to wild pacific salmon, there has never been a better time to eat the food we love from here, at home.

Your government will continue to support our growers and producers by investing in our BuyBC program that promotes a wide range of local food products at grocery stores and farmers markets.

PROTECTING OUR ENVIRONMENT

Too often, economic growth in our province has come at the expense of the environment.

That must change. We can no longer rely on simple resource extraction to generate wealth with no regard to long-term consequences.

Your government is determined to continue tackling the environmental challenges that were neglected for too long.

This year, it will continue the work of reforming the *Forest Act* and the *Forest and Range Practices Act* to meet the challenges of the 21st century.

Your government will continue to take action on the independent report on old growth, which recommended important new protection for remaining old growth stands not already protected.

New measures will be proposed to increase access to fibre for communities, First Nations, and small businesses.

Land management practices will be updated to improve forest stewardship and emphasize environmental protection.

The forest sector will be supported to move from volume to value — using innovation to improve management, support communities and generate economic opportunity.

At the same time, your government will move forward with other measures to protect B.C.'s environment, including improving waste management, particularly of plastics.

These actions will build on the progress we have made recently — like removing over 120 tonnes of marine debris from B.C. coasts and shorelines, protecting wildlife and habitat, and planting a record 300 million trees last year.

Our economic recovery must become an opportunity to accelerate environmental protection, not an excuse to relax our commitment to sustainability.

CLEANBC AND CLIMATE ACTION

Central to achieving our goal of a more sustainable economic future on the other side of COVID-19 is British Columbia's CleanBC plan.

It is North America's most progressive plan to reduce carbon pollution, while creating good new family-supporting jobs.

In the year ahead, your government will build on the progress already made.

It will continue to foster clean-tech innovation.

Through electrification, it will move more industrial activities from fossil fuels to clean, hydro-electric power.

To make life more affordable for people, and reduce emissions, your government is making it easier to buy electric vehicles and working to support emissions reductions in transit fleets and heavy-duty trucking.

And newly announced sectoral emission targets will keep government accountable as it works with each sector of the economy to reduce emissions, while remaining globally competitive.

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The last year has challenged our province and our people in ways we could never have imagined.

From the daily sacrifices made by frontline essential workers to the small businesses that have endured countless obstacles, we owe a huge debt of gratitude to those who have helped us come through it.

The difficult times are not over yet.

As we begin this legislative session, your government urges you not to lose sight of what has made our province so resilient.

A year ago, British Columbians would stand on their front lawns and balconies at seven o'clock in the evening to bang pots and pans.

This nightly, noisy tribute was a way to show our thanks and support to the nurses, doctors, and other health-care workers on the frontlines.

This was an extraordinary show of solidarity with those putting themselves at risk to protect the rest of us.

It is this same spirit of common purpose that we must summon again.

To get us safely through to the end of the pandemic.

So that we can start building towards that brighter future we know is possible.

Together, we can build a B.C. where strong public services like health care are there when people need them.

Where we create good jobs that help us meet the challenges of today and tomorrow.

And where we always work in partnership with Indigenous peoples, so everyone shares in the prosperity of this land.

The future for our province is bright.

It is one of hope and opportunity.

Now let's get to work ensuring B.C. comes back stronger than ever — for everyone.

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

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

On the motion of the Hon. *D. Eby* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing), 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.

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

GENERAL

1. That, 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, the use of videoconferencing technology be authorized 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.
2. That Zoom be approved as the videoconferencing technology platform for the purposes of supporting hybrid proceedings of the House.

QUORUM AND ATTENDANCE

3. 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*.
4. 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

5. 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, 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,
 - a. at 30 minutes prior to the ordinary time fixed for adjournment of the sitting, the Speaker or Chair shall ring the bells and recess the proceedings;
 - b. 10 minutes thereafter, at 20 minutes prior to the ordinary time fixed for adjournment of the sitting, the Speaker or Chair shall call the House back to order;
 - c. 5 minutes thereafter, at 15 minutes prior to the ordinary time fixed for adjournment of the sitting, the Speaker or Chair shall again state the question; and
 - d. the division shall proceed forthwith.
 - (7) If a division is deferred in a Committee of the Whole or the Committee of Supply, 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. For greater certainty, consequential business includes reporting from the Committee of Supply.
 - (11) Divisions are not permitted on a motion that a committee rise and report, and on a routine motion moved by the Government House Leader or their designate that the House adjourn, so as not to prevent the House from undertaking business in a manner consistent with the intention of the arrangements of formal divisions in hybrid proceedings. Members may use Practice Recommendation No. 1.
6. That, notwithstanding sections 5(2), 5(3), 5(4) and 5(5) of this order, if a division is requested on a closure motion set out in Standing Order 46 or a time allocation motion set out in Standing Order 81.1, the Speaker or Chair shall announce that a division has been called. No longer than 20 minutes thereafter, unless the House or Committee, as the case may be, unanimously agrees otherwise, the Speaker or Chair shall again state the question and the division shall proceed forthwith.

DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT AND NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

- 7. 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.
- 8. 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.
- 9. 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.

10. That, notwithstanding the usual practices of the House, petitions presented to the House may include signatures collected through electronic means, and that the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly or her designate be authorized to exercise reasonable discretion in the interpretation of admissibility of an electronic petition and its compliance with Standing Order 73 and Appendix A of the Standing Orders.
11. 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, should provide at least one hour of notice to the Office of the Clerk prior to introducing that motion in the House to ensure the electronic distribution of that motion to all Members forthwith after it is moved.

SPEAKER'S DISCRETION

12. 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.
13. 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.
14. 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.
15. 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 this 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.

OTHER

16. 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.
17. That this order expire on June 30, 2021.

Motion agreed to.

On the motion of the Hon. *M. Farnworth*, seconded by Mr. *Milobar*, it was *Ordered*—

That *Spencer Chandra Herbert*, Member for Vancouver-West End Electoral District, be appointed Deputy Speaker for this Session of the Legislative Assembly.

On the motion of Mr. *Milobar*, seconded by the Hon. *M. Farnworth*, it was *Ordered*—

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

On the motion of the Hon. *M. Farnworth*, seconded by Mr. *Milobar*, it was *Ordered*—

That *Ronna-Rae Leonard*, Member for Courtenay-Comox 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 and Minister Responsible for Housing), 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), Hon. *Lisa Beare*, *Bob D'Eith*, *Garry Begg*, *Michele Babchuk*, *Niki Sharma*, *Peter Milobar*, *Stephanie Cadieux*, *Doug Clovechok*, and *Sonia Furstenuau*.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *J. Horgan* (Premier) made a ministerial statement regarding the death of His Royal Highness The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh.

Ms. *Bond* made a statement.

Ms. *Furstenuau* made a statement.

The House observed a minute of silence.

And then the House adjourned at 3.05 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, April 13, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Chant*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *D. Eby* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing) tabled the Report on Multiculturalism, 2019/2020.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Ms. *Sims* moved, seconded by Ms. *Dykeman*—

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

A debate arose.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.53 a.m.

Tuesday, April 13, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

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

That a Special Committee to Appoint an Ombudsperson be appointed to select and unanimously recommend to the Legislative Assembly the appointment of an individual as Ombudsperson, pursuant to section 2 of the *Ombudsperson Act* (R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 340).

That the Special Committee have all 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 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 March 2, 2021 be referred to the Special Committee.

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

That the Special Committee be composed of the following Members: *Janet Routledge* (Convener), *Jagrup Brar*, *Fin Donnelly*, *Bruce Banman*, and *Teresa Wat*.

Motion agreed to.

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

That, pursuant to section 215.03 of the *Election Act* (R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 106), a Special Committee to Review Provisions of the *Election Act* be appointed to conduct a review of the annual allowance paid to political parties under section 215.02 of the Act, including, but not limited to, a review of the following:

1. Whether an annual allowance paid to political parties should be continued to be paid after 2022.
2. If an annual allowance to political parties is to be continued,
 - a. the amount of the annual allowance; and,
 - b. the number of years the annual allowance is to be paid.

That any information or evidence previously under consideration by the Special Committee appointed by order of the House on March 2, 2021 be referred to the Special Committee.

That the Special Committee have all 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.

That the Special Committee report to the House by September 1, 2021, and that during a period of adjournment, the Special Committee deposit its reports with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, and upon resumption of the sittings of the House, or in the next following Session, as the case may be, the Chair present all reports to the House.

That the Special Committee be composed of the following Members: *Jagrup Brar* (Convener), *Brittny Anderson*, *Ronna-Rae Leonard*, *Andrew Mercier*, *Greg Kylo*, *Peter Milobar*, and *Adam Olsen*.

Motion agreed to.

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).

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

That any information or evidence previously under consideration by the Special Committees appointed by order of the House on July 8, 2020 and December 9, 2020 be referred to the Special Committee.

That the Special Committee have all 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.

That the Special Committee report to the House by April 28, 2022, and that during a period of adjournment, the Special Committee deposit its reports with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, and upon resumption of the sittings of the House, or in the next following Session, as the case may be, the Chair present all reports to the House.

The Special Committee be composed of the following Members: *Doug Routley* (Convener), *Garry Begg*, *Rachna Singh*, *Grace Lore*, *Rick Glumac*, *Harwinder Sandhu*, *Dan Davies*, *Trevor Halford*, *Karin Kirkpatrick*, and *Adam Olsen*.

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.

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.

That any information or evidence previously under consideration by the Special Committees appointed by order of the House on February 18, 2020 and December 9, 2020 be referred to the Special Committee.

That the Special Committee report to the House by December 8, 2021, and that during a period of adjournment, the Special Committee deposit its reports with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, and upon resumption of the sittings of the House, or in the next following Session, as the case may be, the Chair present all reports to the House.

That the Special Committee be composed of the following Members: *Mable Elmore* (Convener), *Garry Begg*, *Rick Glumac*, *Kelly Greene*, *Dan Ashton*, *Andrew Wilkinson*, and *Adam Olsen*.

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

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

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.21 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Wednesday, April 14, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by the Hon. *S. Malcolmson*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

The Hon. *J. Horgan* (Premier) made a ministerial statement regarding the five-year anniversary of drug-related overdoses being declared a public health emergency in British Columbia.

Ms. *Bond* made a statement.

Ms. *Furstenau* made a statement.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

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

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.56 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Thursday, April 15, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Alexis*.

The Hon. *D. Eby* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for 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. 2) intituled *Public Interest Disclosure Amendment Act, 2021* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
April 12, 2021.

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. *R. Chouhan* (Speaker) tabled the Representative for Children and Youth Report, Excluded: Increasing Understanding, Support and Inclusion for Children with FASD and their Families, April 2021.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.56 a.m.

Thursday, April 15, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O’CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* presented the Interim Report of the Special Committee of Selection for the Second Session of the Forty-second Parliament, April 15, 2021.

“PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS,

APRIL 15, 2021

MR. SPEAKER:

The Special Committee of Selection appointed on April 12, 2021 to prepare and report lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees of this House, presents its interim report that the following is the list of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees on Children and Youth, Finance and Government Services, Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills, and Public Accounts for the present Session:

SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH—*Jinny Sims* (Convener), *Susie Chant*, *Fin Donnelly*, *Kelli Paddon*, *Jennifer Rice*, *Henry Yao*, *Karin Kirkpatrick*, *Mike Morris*, *Coralee Oakes*.

SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND GOVERNMENT SERVICES—*Janet Routledge* (Convener), *Pam Alexis*, *Megan Dykeman*, *Grace Lore*, *Harwinder Sandhu*, *Mike Starchuk*, *Lorne Doerkson*, *Greg Kylo*, *Ben Stewart*.

SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON PARLIAMENTARY REFORM, ETHICAL CONDUCT, STANDING ORDERS AND PRIVATE BILLS—*Jinny Sims* (Convener), *Brittney Anderson*, *Garry Begg*, *Megan Dykeman*, *Kelli Paddon*, *Doug Routley*, *Michael Lee*, *Todd Stone*, *Andrew Wilkinson*.

SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS—*Mike Bernier* (Convener), *Brittney Anderson*, *Dan Coulter*, *Rick Glumac*, *Andrew Mercier*, *Niki Sharma*, *Mike Starchuk*, *Bruce Banman*, *Jackie Tegart*.

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.

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

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

1. 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, 2021, on the results of those consultations.

2. 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; and,
- ix. Representative for Children and Youth.

3. 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* (S.B.C. 2003, c. 2) and that the report in section 22 of the *Auditor General Act* (S.B.C. 2003, c. 2) be referred to the Committee.

That the Committee be designated as the Committee referred to in sections 47.02 and 47.03 of the *Human Rights Code* (R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 210).

That, in addition to the powers previously conferred upon the Select Standing Committees of the House, the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services 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.

That the Committee report to the House as soon as possible, and that during a period of adjournment, the Committee deposit its reports with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, and upon resumption of the sittings of the House, or in the next following Session, as the case may be, the Chair present all reports to the House.

Motion agreed to.

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 BC 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;
4. Receive and consider all reports and plans transmitted by the Representative to the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly; and,
5. Undertake, pursuant to section 30 (1) of the *Representative for Children and Youth Act* (S.B.C. 2006, c. 29), a comprehensive review of the Act or portions of the Act before April 1, 2022 to determine whether the functions of the Representative described in section 6 are still required to ensure that the needs of children and young adults as defined in that section are met.

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.

That the Committee report to the House as soon as possible, and that during a period of adjournment, the Committee deposit its reports with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, and upon resumption of the sittings of the House, or in the next following Session, as the case may be, the Chair present all reports to the House.

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:

- a. 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,
- b. reports of the Auditor General respecting the Legislative Assembly prepared under the 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.

That the Committee report to the House as soon as possible, and that during a period of adjournment, the Committee deposit its reports with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, and upon resumption of the sittings of the House, or in the next following Session, as the case may be, the Chair present all reports to the House.

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

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

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.40 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Monday, April 19, 2021

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.”

1 Ms. *Greene* moved—

Be it resolved that in recognition of Earth Day, this House reaffirm its commitment to rise to the challenge of climate change and protect our shared environment now, and for future generations.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 12 noon.

Monday, April 19, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

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. 3) intituled *Employment Standards Amendment Act, 2021* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
April 15, 2021.

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 Address in Reply to the Speech of Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

On the motion of the Hon. *J. Whiteside*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 6.26 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, April 20, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Tegart*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 3) intituled *Employment Standards Amendment Act, 2021*, 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.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.55 a.m.

Tuesday, April 20, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

By agreement, a blessing was offered by the Hon. *M. Dean* on behalf of Elder Shirley Alphonse, T'Sou-ke Nation.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion of the Hon. *S. Robinson* (Minister of Finance), it was *Ordered* —

That this House, at its next sitting, resolve itself for this Session into a Committee to consider the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

The Hon. *S. Robinson* (Minister of Finance) 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, 2022; and
Supplement to the Estimates — Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2022;
and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
April 15, 2021.

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

The Hon. *S. Robinson* (Minister of Finance) 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 Mr. *Bernier*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

The Hon. *S. Robinson* (Minister of Finance) 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, 2021* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
April 15, 2021.*

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 Finance) tabled the following documents:

Government's Strategic Plan, 2021/22 – 2023/24, required under the *Budget Transparency and Accountability Act*;

Budget and Fiscal Plan, 2021/22 – 2023/24, required under the *Budget Transparency and Accountability Act*;

Ministry Service Plans: Office of the Premier; Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Training; Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries; Ministry of Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing; Ministry of Children and Family Development; Ministry of Citizens' Services; Ministry of Education; Ministry of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation; 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 Innovation; Ministry of Labour; Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions; Ministry of Municipal Affairs; Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General; Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction; Ministry of Tourism, Arts, Culture and Sport; 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 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.; InBC Investment Corp.; Industry Training Authority; Infrastructure BC; Innovate BC; Insurance Corporation of British Columbia; Knowledge Network Corporation; Legal Aid BC; Real Estate Council of BC; Royal BC Museum Corporation; Transportation Investment Corporation; and,

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 2.51 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Wednesday, April 21, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Davies*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *R. Chouhan* (Speaker) tabled the Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Order in Council No. 247, Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing, April 20, 2021.

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

Bill (No. 3) intituled *Employment Standards Amendment Act, 2021* was committed.

On clause 1 of Bill (No. 3).

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 6.54 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Thursday, April 22, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Letnick*.

On the motion of Mr. *Stone*, Bill (No. M 201) intituled *Assessment (Split Assessment Classification) Amendment Act, 2021* 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."

The Hon. *G. Heyman* (Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy) made a ministerial statement regarding Earth Day.

Mr. *Ross* made a statement.

Mr. *Olsen* made a statement.

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

The Hon. *R. Chouhan* (Speaker) tabled the Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Order in Council No. 247, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, April 21, 2021.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.54 a.m.

Thursday, April 22, 2021

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

Bill (No. 3) intituled *Employment Standards Amendment Act, 2021* was again committed.

On clause 1 of Bill (No. 3).

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.45 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Monday, April 26, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Russell*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

- 5** By leave, Mr. *Halford* moved—
Be it resolved that this House support communities during the COVID-19 pandemic.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.01 p.m.

Monday, April 26, 2021

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."

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. *Chant*, the debate was adjourned to later today.

Bill (No. 3) intituled *Employment Standards Amendment Act, 2021* was again committed.

Clause 1, clause 2 and the title of Bill (No. 3) passed.

Bill (No. 3) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.26 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, April 27, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by the Hon. A. Kang.

The Hon. R. Kahlon (Minister of Jobs, Economic Recovery and Innovation) 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 *InBC Investment Corp. Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
April 13, 2021.*

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. R. Chouhan (Speaker) tabled the following documents:

Auditor General Report, Avalanche Safety on Provincial Highways, April 2021; and,

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Ministerial Order No. M172, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, April 26, 2021.

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. Kylo, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 11.56 a.m.

Tuesday, April 27, 2021

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 the Hon. *M. Dean*, the debate was adjourned to 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 title to the following Act:

Bill (No. 3) *Employment Standards Amendment Act, 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 assent to this Act."

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

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 the Hon. *N. Simons*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 6.22 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Wednesday, April 28, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Coulter*.

The Hon. *N. Simons* (Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction) 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) intitled *Accessible British Columbia Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
April 16, 2021.

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."

The Hon. *H. Bains* (Minister of Labour) made a ministerial statement regarding National Day of Mourning.

Mr. *Kyllo* made a statement.

Ms. *Furstenau* made a statement.

The House observed a minute of silence.

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.55 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Thursday, April 29, 2021

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Starchuk*.

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. 8) intituled *Public Safety and Solicitor General Statutes Amendment Act, 2021* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
April 21, 2021.

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.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, division on the motion “That the Speaker do now leave the Chair” for the House to go into Committee of Supply was deferred to later today.

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

That, notwithstanding sections 5 (2) and (3) of the Sessional Order adopted on April 12, 2021, that the division called on the motion “That the Speaker do now leave the Chair” for the House to go into Committee of Supply proceed forthwith, and that the deferred division process commence with the timing set out in section 6 (b) of the Sessional Order adopted on April 12, 2021, after the Speaker rings the bells.

Motion agreed to.

The motion “That the Speaker do now leave the Chair” for the House to go into Committee of Supply was agreed to on the following division:

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<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Coulter</i>	<i>Kang</i>	<i>Routley</i>
<i>Alexis</i>	<i>Cullen</i>	<i>Leonard</i>	<i>Russell</i>
<i>Anderson</i>	<i>D’Eith</i>	<i>Lore</i>	<i>Sandhu</i>
<i>Babchuk</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>Ma</i>	<i>Sharma</i>
<i>Bailey</i>	<i>Donnelly</i>	<i>Malcolmson</i>	<i>Simons</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Dykeman</i>	<i>Mark</i>	<i>Sims</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>Mercier</i>	<i>A. Singh</i>
<i>Begg</i>	<i>Elmore</i>	<i>Osborne</i>	<i>R. Singh</i>
<i>Brar</i>	<i>Fleming</i>	<i>Popham</i>	<i>Starchuk</i>
<i>Chandra Herbert</i>	<i>Glumac</i>	<i>Ralston</i>	<i>Walker</i>
<i>Chant</i>	<i>Greene</i>	<i>Rankin</i>	<i>Whiteside</i>
<i>Chen</i>	<i>Heyman</i>	<i>Rice</i>	<i>Yao</i>
<i>Chow</i>	<i>Horgan</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Furstenau</i>
<i>Conroy</i>	<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Routledge</i>	<i>Olsen</i>

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<i>Milobar</i>	<i>Doerkson</i>	<i>Morris</i>	<i>Stewart</i>
<i>Ashton</i>	<i>Halford</i>	<i>Oakes</i>	<i>Stone</i>
<i>Banman</i>	<i>Kirkpatrick</i>	<i>Paton</i>	<i>Sturdy</i>
<i>Bernier</i>	<i>Kyllo</i>	<i>Ross</i>	<i>Tegart</i>
<i>Bond</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Rustad</i>	<i>Wat</i>
<i>Davies</i>	<i>Letnick</i>	<i>Shypitka</i>	<i>Wilkinson</i>
<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Merrifield</i>		

And then the House adjourned at 12 noon.

Thursday, April 29, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O’CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *J. Horgan* (Premier) made a ministerial statement regarding the death of Thomas R. Berger, Q.C., O.C., O.B.C., a former Member of the Legislative Assembly.

Mr. *de Jong* made a statement.

Mr. *Olsen* made a statement.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 5) intituled *InBC Investment Corp. Act*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

The Hon. *L. Beare* moved—

That, when the House next adjourns after the adoption of this motion, it do stand adjourned until 10 a.m. on Monday, May 10, 2021.

Motion agreed to.

And then the House adjourned at 5.27 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Monday, May 10, 2021

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Kirkpatrick*.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Order called for “Private Members’ Statements.”

7 By leave, Mr. *Donnelly* moved—

Be it resolved that this House unanimously agree that climate change, habitat loss, and pollution are negatively impacting wild salmon survival and that this House reaffirm its commitment to investments in wild salmon conservation solutions.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 12 noon.

Monday, May 10, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O’CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *D. Eby* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for 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. 7) intituled *Electoral Boundaries Commission Amendment Act, 2021* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
April 21, 2021.*

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. *R. Chouhan* (Speaker) tabled a Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Ministerial Order No. M182, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, May 4, 2021.

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

GENERAL

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.
2. That Section A and Section C sit in such committee room as may be designated from time to time, and that Section B sit in the Legislative Chamber.
3. That Standing Orders applicable to Committees of the Whole House be applicable in Section A, Section B, and Section C, save and except that, during Committee of Supply proceedings in Section A and Section C, a Minister may defer to a Deputy Minister to permit such Deputy to reply to a question put to the Minister.
4. That Section A be authorized to consider bills at committee stage after second reading thereof, and for all purposes be deemed to be a Committee of the Whole House, and that the Standing Orders relating to the consideration of bills in a Committee of the Whole House be applicable to such proceedings.
5. That Section A and Section B be authorized to examine all Estimates and any public bill appearing on the Orders of the Day at committee stage, which may be considered in the order determined by the Government House Leader in accordance with Standing Order 27 (2).
6. That Section C be authorized to examine all Estimates, which may be considered in the order determined by the Government House Leader in accordance with Standing Order 27 (2).
7. That Estimates or bills previously referred to a designated Section may at any time be subsequently referred to another designated Section, as determined by the Government House Leader in accordance with Standing Order 27 (2).

COMPOSITION

8. That the Deputy Chair of the Committee of the Whole or their designate preside in Section A and Section C.
9. That Section A consist of 11 Members, not including the Chair, being seven Members of the Government Caucus, three Members of the Official Opposition Caucus, and one Member of the Third Party Caucus.
10. That Section C consist of 11 Members, not including the Chair, being seven Members of the Government Caucus, three Members of the Official Opposition Caucus, and one Member of the Third Party Caucus.

11. That the Members of Section A be: the Minister whose Estimates are under examination or who is in charge of the bill under consideration and Hon. *Lisa Beare, Garry Begg, Bob D'Eith, Hon. Mike Farnworth, Hon. Selina Robinson, Niki Sharma, Lorne Doerkson, Trevor Halford, Karin Kirkpatrick, and Sonia Furstenuau.*
12. That the Members of Section C be: the Minister whose Estimates are under examination and *Michele Babchuk, Hon. Adrian Dix, Hon. David Eby, Hon. Rob Fleming, Hon. Ravi Kahlon, Hon. Bruce Ralston, Renee Merrifield, Jackie Tegart, Andrew Wilkinson, and Adam Olsen.*
13. That substitutions for Members of Section A and Section C be permitted with the consent of the Member's Caucus Whip, where applicable, or otherwise with the consent of the Member.
14. That Section B be composed of all Members of the House.

VOTING AND DIVISIONS

15. That, when a division is requested in Section A, the Chair shall announce that a division has been called and ring the division bells four times. No longer than 10 minutes thereafter, unless the Committee unanimously agrees otherwise, the Chair shall again state the question. No Member shall enter or leave the designated committee room, 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 of Section A present shall vote.
16. That, when a division is requested in Section C, the Chair shall announce that a division has been called and ring the division bells five times. No longer than 10 minutes thereafter, unless the Committee unanimously agrees otherwise, the Chair shall again state the question. No Member shall enter or leave the designated committee room, 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 of Section C present shall vote.
17. That if a division is called in Section A or Section C at a time that, in the Chair's opinion, is likely to overlap with the start of a deferred division in the House, notwithstanding the provisions of the Sessional Order adopted on April 12, 2021, the Speaker or the Chair, as the case may be, shall be so advised, and the stating of the question and start of the division in the House shall be deferred no more than five minutes after the adjournment of proceedings in Section A or Section C, as the case may be, to allow for Members voting in Section A or Section C, as the case may be, to participate in the deferred division in the House.
18. That divisions in Section B be taken in accordance with the provisions of the Sessional Order adopted on April 12, 2021.

REPORTING AND COMPLETION

19. That, at 15 minutes prior to the ordinary time fixed for adjournment of the House, the Chairs of Section A and Section C shall report to the House. If the House is engaged in a deferred division, Section A and Section C shall conclude their proceedings at the time that the division bells are rung in the Legislative Chamber, and the Chairs of Section A and Section C shall report to the House at the conclusion of the division in the House, which the Chairs of Section A and Section C may do remotely.
20. That, if a report from Section A or Section C includes the last Vote in a particular Ministry Estimate, after such report has been made to the House, 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 debate on that Ministry's Estimates. Such summaries shall be in the following order:
 - a. Independent Members;
 - b. Third Party Caucus;
 - c. Official Opposition Caucus; and,
 - d. Government Caucus.

OTHER

21. That this order expire on June 30, 2021.

Motion agreed to.

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

That effective immediately, the Standing Orders of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia be amended as follows for the remainder of the Second Session of the Forty-second Parliament which commenced on April 12, 2021:

1. That Standing Order 2 (1) is deleted and the following substituted:

*Sittings***Daily sittings.**

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

Monday:	Two distinct sittings: 10 a.m. to 12 noon 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 7:00 p.m.
Thursday:	Two distinct sittings: 10 a.m. to 12 noon 1:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

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

Hour of interruption.

3. If at the hour of 6:30 p.m. on any Monday and Tuesday, 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday or 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, the business of the day is not concluded and no other hour has been agreed on for the next sitting, the Speaker shall leave the Chair:

On Monday	until 10 a.m. Tuesday
On Tuesday	until 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday
On Wednesday	until 10 a.m. on Thursday
On Thursday	until 10 a.m. on Monday

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

3. That this order expire on June 30, 2021.

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.

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

The debate continued.

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. 2) intituled *Public Interest Disclosure Amendment Act, 2021*, 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.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 5) intituled *InBC Investment Corp. Act*.

On the motion of Ms. *Dykeman*, 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, Culture and Sport.

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. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, May 11, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Kyllo*.

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. 13) intituled *Employment Standards Amendment Act (No. 2), 2021* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
May 8, 2021.

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.”

On a point of order being raised by the Hon. *D. Eby*, the Speaker reminded Members of the requirement for parliamentary language during Oral Question Period.

The Hon. *R. Chouhan* (Speaker) tabled the Auditor General Report, Management of the Conservation Lands Program, May 2021.

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. 5) intituled *InBC Investment Corp. Act*.

On the motion of Mr. *Shypitka*, 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, Culture and Sport.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.53 a.m.

Tuesday, May 11, 2021

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. 5) intituled *InBC Investment Corp. Act*.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, division on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 5) was deferred to later today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 4) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2021*, a debate arose.

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 8) intituled *Public Safety and Solicitor General Statutes Amendment Act, 2021*, a debate arose.

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

Bill (No. 2) intituled *Public Interest Disclosure Amendment Act, 2021* was committed.

On clause 1 of Bill (No. 2).

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.

The motion for second reading of Bill (No. 5) intituled *InBC Investment Corp. Act*, was agreed to on the following deferred division:

YEAS—56

<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Coulter</i>	<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Routley</i>
<i>Alexis</i>	<i>Cullen</i>	<i>Kang</i>	<i>Russell</i>
<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Dean</i>	<i>Leonard</i>	<i>Sandhu</i>
<i>Babchuk</i>	<i>D'Eith</i>	<i>Lore</i>	<i>Sharma</i>
<i>Bailey</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>Ma</i>	<i>Simons</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Donnelly</i>	<i>Malcolmson</i>	<i>Sims</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Dykeman</i>	<i>Mercier</i>	<i>A. Singh</i>
<i>Begg</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>Osborne</i>	<i>R. Singh</i>
<i>Brar</i>	<i>Elmore</i>	<i>Paddon</i>	<i>Starchuk</i>
<i>Chandra Herbert</i>	<i>Fleming</i>	<i>Popham</i>	<i>Walker</i>
<i>Chant</i>	<i>Glumac</i>	<i>Ralston</i>	<i>Whiteside</i>
<i>Chen</i>	<i>Greene</i>	<i>Rankin</i>	<i>Yao</i>
<i>Chow</i>	<i>Heyman</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Furstenau</i>
<i>Conroy</i>	<i>Horgan</i>	<i>Routledge</i>	<i>Olsen</i>

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<i>Milobar</i>	<i>Davies</i>	<i>Letnick</i>	<i>Shypitka</i>
<i>Ashton</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Merrifield</i>	<i>Stewart</i>
<i>Banman</i>	<i>Doerkson</i>	<i>Morris</i>	<i>Stone</i>
<i>Bernier</i>	<i>Halford</i>	<i>Oakes</i>	<i>Sturdy</i>
<i>Bond</i>	<i>Kirkpatrick</i>	<i>Paton</i>	<i>Tegart</i>
<i>Cadieux</i>	<i>Kyllo</i>	<i>Ross</i>	<i>Wat</i>
<i>Clovechok</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Rustad</i>	<i>Wilkinson</i>

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.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$156,797,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Tourism, Arts, Culture and Sport, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2022.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Tourism, Arts, Culture and Sport.

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 Tourism, Arts, Culture and Sport) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 6.33 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Wednesday, May 12, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Letnick*.

The Hon. *D. Eby* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for 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. 11) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2021* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
May 5, 2021.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

The Speaker reminded Members that the use of props is not permitted during proceedings.

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. 13) intituled *Employment Standards Amendment Act (No. 2), 2021*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, division on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 13) was deferred to later today.

Bill (No. 2) intituled *Public Interest Disclosure Amendment Act, 2021* was again committed.

Clauses 1 through 26 and the title of Bill (No. 2) passed.

Bill (No. 2) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

The House recessed until 6.40 p.m.

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

The motion for second reading of Bill (No. 13) intituled *Employment Standards Amendment Act (No. 2), 2021*, was agreed to *nemine contradicente* on the following deferred division:

YEAS—79

<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Elmore</i>	<i>Russell</i>	<i>Kirkpatrick</i>
<i>Alexis</i>	<i>Glumac</i>	<i>Sandhu</i>	<i>Kyllo</i>
<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Heyman</i>	<i>Sharma</i>	<i>Lee</i>
<i>Babchuk</i>	<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Simons</i>	<i>Letnick</i>
<i>Bailey</i>	<i>Kang</i>	<i>A. Singh</i>	<i>Merrifield</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Leonard</i>	<i>R. Singh</i>	<i>Morris</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Lore</i>	<i>Starchuk</i>	<i>Oakes</i>
<i>Begg</i>	<i>Ma</i>	<i>Walker</i>	<i>Paton</i>
<i>Brar</i>	<i>Malcolmson</i>	<i>Whiteside</i>	<i>Ross</i>
<i>Chandra Herbert</i>	<i>Mark</i>	<i>Yao</i>	<i>Rustad</i>
<i>Chant</i>	<i>Mercier</i>	<i>Milobar</i>	<i>Shypitka</i>
<i>Chen</i>	<i>Osborne</i>	<i>Ashton</i>	<i>Stewart</i>
<i>Chow</i>	<i>Paddon</i>	<i>Banman</i>	<i>Stone</i>
<i>Coulter</i>	<i>Popham</i>	<i>Bernier</i>	<i>Sturdy</i>
<i>Dean</i>	<i>Ralston</i>	<i>Bond</i>	<i>Tegart</i>
<i>D'Eith</i>	<i>Rankin</i>	<i>Cadieux</i>	<i>Wat</i>
<i>Dix</i>	<i>Rice</i>	<i>Clovechok</i>	<i>Wilkinson</i>
<i>Donnelly</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Furstenau</i>
<i>Dykeman</i>	<i>Routledge</i>	<i>Doerkson</i>	<i>Olsen</i>
<i>Eby</i>	<i>Routley</i>	<i>Halford</i>	

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.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,592,081,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Training, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2022.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Training.

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 Advanced Education and Skills Training) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 6.58 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Thursday, May 13, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Banman*.

The Hon. *J. Osborne* (Minister of Municipal Affairs) 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 Statutes Amendment Act, 2021* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
May 5, 2021.

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 and Minister Responsible for Housing) tabled the *Crown Proceeding Act Report* for the Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2020.

Ms. *Routledge* presented the Report of the Special Committee to Appoint an Ombudsperson for the Second Session of the Forty-second Parliament, May 2021.

The Report was taken as read and received.

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

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

By leave, Ms. *Routledge* moved—

That the Legislative Assembly recommend to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor that James Michael Chalke, Q.C., be appointed as an Officer of the Legislature to exercise the powers and duties assigned to the Ombudsperson for the Province of British Columbia for a six-year term commencing July 1, 2021, pursuant to the *Ombudsperson Act* (R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 340).

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. 13) intituled *Employment Standards Amendment Act (No. 2), 2021* was committed.

On clause 1 of Bill (No. 13).

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 Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 12.02 p.m.

Thursday, May 13, 2021

ONE 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. 13) intituled *Employment Standards Amendment Act (No. 2), 2021* was again committed.

On clause 1 of Bill (No. 13).

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,740,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2022.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$117,063,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation, Treaty and Other Agreements Funding, to 31st March, 2022.

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

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 Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.27 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Monday, May 17, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Sandhu*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

8 By leave, Mr. *Banman* moved—

Be it resolved that this House acknowledge the importance of openness and transparency in government and support meaningful action to achieve these goals.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

Mr. *de Jong* rose on a point of order regarding Standing Order 40 and the application of the *sub judice* convention to matters before a commission of inquiry and the remarks made by the Member for Courtenay-Comox.

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.02 p.m.

Monday, May 17, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Ms. *Leonard* withdrew her comments made earlier today during Private Members' Time.

The Hon. *S. Robinson* (Minister of Finance) 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 *Finance Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2021* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
May 5, 2021.*

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

Order called for “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

The Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows:

Honourable Members:

During this morning’s sitting, the Member for Abbotsford West raised a point of order regarding comments that the Member for Courtenay-Comox made during debate on the Private Member’s motion under consideration by the House. The comments in question relate to the Commission of Inquiry into Money Laundering in British Columbia, and the Member for Abbotsford West drew the Chair’s attention to Standing Order 40 and the *sub judice* convention. The Chair took the matter under advisement.

I have reviewed this morning’s transcript of proceedings, and wish to provide further guidance to all Members on the *sub judice* convention and its application to proceedings of this House. Strictly speaking, *sub judice* is a Latin term that means “under judicial consideration.” As noted in *Parliamentary Practice in British Columbia*, 5th edition, at page 176, “The *sub judice* convention is a self-imposed restraint exercised by the Legislative Assembly that provides that the Assembly does not debate on matters before a court of law in order to refrain from prejudicing, in any manner, proceedings not before the Assembly.”

Our procedural authority also outlines, from pages 179 to 181, the application of the *sub judice* convention to administrative tribunals, royal commissions, and commissions of inquiry. The precedents established in this House through Speakers’ rulings dating as far back as 1956 have been ones where caution is encouraged. In a ruling delivered on January 26, 1977, Speaker Smith noted, “a matter referred to a royal commission is not subject to a question on the floor of the House,” and further noted that “the same rule is applicable to a matter referred to a commission of inquiry.”

More recently, in 2010, the President of the National Assembly of Quebec ruled that “a Member may, in a general manner, refer to a matter that is the subject of an inquiry; however, when approaching the heart of the matter, a Member may not make remarks that could be prejudicial to any person or party.” I encourage all Members of this House to adhere to the same guidance.

I thank the Member for Abbotsford West for raising a point of order on this matter. His point is well taken. I urge all Members of this House to be mindful of the *sub judice* convention and to impose restraint in debate on matters before the Commission of Inquiry into Money Laundering in British Columbia until such time that the work of the Commission has concluded.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

The Hon. J. Horgan reserved his right to raise a matter of privilege.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

Bill (No. 13) intituled *Employment Standards Amendment Act (No. 2), 2021* was again committed.

Clause 1 of Bill (No. 13) passed.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, division on a proposed amendment by Ms. *Furstenau* to clause 2 of Bill (No. 13) was deferred to the next sitting.

Clause 2 of Bill (No. 13) stood down.

On clause 3 of Bill (No. 13).

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$297,530,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Municipal Affairs, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2022.

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

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION C)

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

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. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, May 18, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Alexis*.

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 and Section C of Committee of Supply.

Bill (No. 13) intituled *Employment Standards Amendment Act (No. 2), 2021* was again committed.

A proposed amendment by Ms. *Furstenau* to clause 3 of Bill (No. 13) was ruled out of order.

Clauses 3 through 6 of Bill (No. 13) passed.

On clause 2 of Bill (No. 13) as stood down.

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 Citizens’ Services.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION C)

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

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.51 a.m.

Tuesday, May 18, 2021

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 and Section C of Committee of Supply.

Bill (No. 5) intituled *InBC Investment Corp. Act* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 6 of Bill (No. 5) passed.

On clause 7 of Bill (No. 5).

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

Bill (No. 13) intituled *Employment Standards Amendment Act (No. 2), 2021* was again committed.

The Committee recessed until 6.10 p.m.

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

A proposed amendment to clause 2 of Bill (No. 13), moved by Ms. *Furstenau*, was defeated on the following deferred division:

NAYS—55

<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Coulter</i>	<i>Kang</i>	<i>Routledge</i>
<i>Alexis</i>	<i>Cullen</i>	<i>Leonard</i>	<i>Routley</i>
<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Dean</i>	<i>Lore</i>	<i>Russell</i>
<i>Babchuk</i>	<i>D'Eith</i>	<i>Ma</i>	<i>Sandhu</i>
<i>Bailey</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>Malcolmson</i>	<i>Sharma</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Donnelly</i>	<i>Mark</i>	<i>Simons</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Dykeman</i>	<i>Mercier</i>	<i>Sims</i>
<i>Begg</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>Osborne</i>	<i>A. Singh</i>
<i>Brar</i>	<i>Elmore</i>	<i>Paddon</i>	<i>R. Singh</i>
<i>Chandra Herbert</i>	<i>Glumac</i>	<i>Popham</i>	<i>Starchuk</i>
<i>Chant</i>	<i>Greene</i>	<i>Ralston</i>	<i>Walker</i>
<i>Chen</i>	<i>Heyman</i>	<i>Rankin</i>	<i>Whiteside</i>
<i>Chow</i>	<i>Horgan</i>	<i>Rice</i>	<i>Yao</i>
<i>Conroy</i>	<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	

YEAS—29

<i>Milobar</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Morris</i>	<i>Stone</i>
<i>Ashton</i>	<i>Doerkson</i>	<i>Oakes</i>	<i>Sturdy</i>
<i>Banman</i>	<i>Halford</i>	<i>Paton</i>	<i>Tegart</i>
<i>Bernier</i>	<i>Kirkpatrick</i>	<i>Ross</i>	<i>Wat</i>
<i>Bond</i>	<i>Kyllo</i>	<i>Rustad</i>	<i>Wilkinson</i>
<i>Cadieux</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Shypitka</i>	<i>Furstenau</i>
<i>Clovechok</i>	<i>Merrifield</i>	<i>Stewart</i>	<i>Olsen</i>
<i>Davies</i>			

On clause 2 of Bill (No. 13) as stood down.

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

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$604,304,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Citizens' Services, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2022.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Citizens' Services.

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 Citizens' Services) to be considered at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION C)

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250,105,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2022.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,322,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, Environmental Assessment Office, to 31st March, 2022.

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 Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation.

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 C (Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 6.27 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Wednesday, May 19, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by the Hon. *S. Malcolmson*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *D. Eby* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing) tabled the following documents:

Office of the Superintendent of Professional Governance Annual Report, 2020–2021; and,
British Columbia Utilities Commission Annual Report, 2019/20.

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* (Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General) tabled the WorkSafeBC Annual Report, 2020 and Service Plan, 2021–2023.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

Bill (No. 13) intituled *Employment Standards Amendment Act (No. 2), 2021* was again committed.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, division on clause 2 of Bill (No. 13) was deferred to later today.

On clause 2 of Bill (No. 13) as stood down.

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

Bill to be considered later today.

Bill (No. 5) intituled *InBC Investment Corp. Act* was again committed.

Clauses 7 through 36 and the title of Bill (No. 5) passed.

The motion that the Committee rise and report Bill (No. 5) complete without amendment passed, on division.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, division on the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 5) was deferred to later today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 7) intituled *Electoral Boundaries Commission Amendment Act, 2021*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

Bill (No. 13) intituled *Employment Standards Amendment Act (No. 2), 2021* was again committed.

The Committee recessed until 6.40 p.m.

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

Clause 2 of Bill (No. 13) passed on the following deferred division:

YEAS—58

<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Cullen</i>	<i>Leonard</i>	<i>Routley</i>
<i>Alexis</i>	<i>Dean</i>	<i>Lore</i>	<i>Russell</i>
<i>Anderson</i>	<i>D'Eith</i>	<i>Ma</i>	<i>Sandhu</i>
<i>Babchuk</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>Malcolmson</i>	<i>Sharma</i>
<i>Bailey</i>	<i>Donnelly</i>	<i>Mark</i>	<i>Simons</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Dykeman</i>	<i>Mercier</i>	<i>Sims</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>Osborne</i>	<i>A. Singh</i>
<i>Begg</i>	<i>Elmore</i>	<i>Paddon</i>	<i>R. Singh</i>
<i>Brar</i>	<i>Fleming</i>	<i>Popham</i>	<i>Starchuk</i>
<i>Chandra Herbert</i>	<i>Glumac</i>	<i>Ralston</i>	<i>Walker</i>
<i>Chant</i>	<i>Greene</i>	<i>Rankin</i>	<i>Whiteside</i>
<i>Chen</i>	<i>Heyman</i>	<i>Rice</i>	<i>Yao</i>
<i>Chow</i>	<i>Horgan</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Furstenau</i>
<i>Conroy</i>	<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Routledge</i>	<i>Olsen</i>
<i>Coulter</i>	<i>Kang</i>		

NAYS—27

<i>Milobar</i>	<i>Davies</i>	<i>Merrifield</i>	<i>Stewart</i>
<i>Ashton</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Morris</i>	<i>Stone</i>
<i>Banman</i>	<i>Doerkson</i>	<i>Oakes</i>	<i>Sturdy</i>
<i>Bernier</i>	<i>Halford</i>	<i>Paton</i>	<i>Tegart</i>
<i>Bond</i>	<i>Kirkpatrick</i>	<i>Ross</i>	<i>Wat</i>
<i>Cadieux</i>	<i>Kyllo</i>	<i>Rustad</i>	<i>Wilkinson</i>
<i>Clovechok</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Shypitka</i>	

The title of Bill (No. 13) passed.

Bill (No. 13) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

The motion for third reading of Bill (No. 5) intituled *InBC Investment Corp. Act*, was agreed to on the following deferred division.

YEAS—58

<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Cullen</i>	<i>Leonard</i>	<i>Routley</i>
<i>Alexis</i>	<i>Dean</i>	<i>Lore</i>	<i>Russell</i>
<i>Anderson</i>	<i>D'Eith</i>	<i>Ma</i>	<i>Sandhu</i>
<i>Babchuk</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>Malcolmson</i>	<i>Sharma</i>
<i>Bailey</i>	<i>Donnelly</i>	<i>Mark</i>	<i>Simons</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Dykeman</i>	<i>Mercier</i>	<i>Sims</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>Osborne</i>	<i>A. Singh</i>
<i>Begg</i>	<i>Elmore</i>	<i>Paddon</i>	<i>R. Singh</i>
<i>Brar</i>	<i>Fleming</i>	<i>Popham</i>	<i>Starchuk</i>
<i>Chandra Herbert</i>	<i>Glumac</i>	<i>Ralston</i>	<i>Walker</i>
<i>Chant</i>	<i>Greene</i>	<i>Rankin</i>	<i>Whiteside</i>
<i>Chen</i>	<i>Heyman</i>	<i>Rice</i>	<i>Yao</i>
<i>Chow</i>	<i>Horgan</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Furstenau</i>
<i>Conroy</i>	<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Routledge</i>	<i>Olsen</i>
<i>Coulter</i>	<i>Kang</i>		

NAYS—28

<i>Milobar</i>	<i>Davies</i>	<i>Letnick</i>	<i>Shypitka</i>
<i>Ashton</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Merrifield</i>	<i>Stewart</i>
<i>Banman</i>	<i>Doerkson</i>	<i>Morris</i>	<i>Stone</i>
<i>Bernier</i>	<i>Halford</i>	<i>Oakes</i>	<i>Sturdy</i>
<i>Bond</i>	<i>Kirkpatrick</i>	<i>Paton</i>	<i>Tegart</i>
<i>Cadieux</i>	<i>Kyllo</i>	<i>Ross</i>	<i>Wat</i>
<i>Clovechok</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Rustad</i>	<i>Wilkinson</i>

Bill (No. 5) 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 Education.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION C)

Section C of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 7.00 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Thursday, May 20, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Yao*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *R. Chouhan* (Speaker) tabled the following documents:

Merit Commissioner Annual Report, 2020–2021; and,

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Ministerial Order No. M200, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, May 20, 2021.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 9) intituled *Finance Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2)*, 2021, a debate arose.

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

Bill (No. 4) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2021* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 12 of Bill (No. 4) passed.

On clause 13 of Bill (No. 4).

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.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION C)

Section C of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation.
Report to be considered at the next sitting.
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.55 a.m.

Thursday, May 20, 2021

ONE 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 and Section C of Committee of Supply.

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

Bill (No. 4) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2021* was again committed.

Clauses 13 through 35 of Bill (No. 4) passed.

A proposed amendment by the Hon. *S. Robinson* (Minister of Finance) to clause 36 of Bill (No. 4) passed.

Clauses 36, as amended, through 85 and the title of Bill (No. 4) passed.

Bill (No. 4) reported complete with amendment.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 7) intituled *Electoral Boundaries Commission Amendment Act, 2021*.

The debate continued.

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

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

Clauses 1 through 67, the schedule and the title of Bill (No. 9) passed.

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported Bill (No. 9) intituled *Finance Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2021* complete without amendment.

Bill (No. 9) read a third time and passed.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,093,293,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Education, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2022.

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

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION C)

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100,597,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2022.

Section C of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation and further reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction.

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 C (Ministry of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation) to be considered at the next sitting.

The Speaker declared a short recess.

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

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

Bill (No. 2) *Public Interest Disclosure Amendment Act, 2021*.

Bill (No. 5) *InBC Investment Corp. Act*.

Bill (No. 9) *Finance Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2021*.

Bill (No. 13) *Employment Standards Amendment Act (No. 2), 2021*.

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.

And then the House adjourned at 5.31 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Monday, May 31, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Clovechok*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

9 By leave, Mr. *Coulter* moved—

Be it resolved that this House recognize the fourth AccessAbility Week and reaffirm its commitment to building an inclusive province that improves the lives of people living with disabilities.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.57 a.m.

Monday, May 31, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

The Hon. *J. Horgan* (Premier) made a ministerial statement regarding the mass grave discovered at a former residential school in Kamloops.

Mr. *Milobar* made a statement

Mr. *Olsen* made a statement.

The House observed a minute of silence.

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

The Hon. *R. Chouhan* (Speaker) tabled the following documents:

Ombudsperson Special Report No. 47, *A Cautious Way Forward: Fairness Principles for Public Service Providers Regarding the Use of COVID-19 Vaccine Certification*, May 2021;

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Ministerial Order No. M212, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, May 25, 2021; and,

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Order in Council No. 310, Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing, May 27, 2021.

The Hon. *S. Robinson* (Minister of Finance) tabled the BC Assessment Annual Service Plan Report, 2020, May 2021.

Ms. *Lore* 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 A and Section C of Committee of Supply.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 10) intituled *Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, 2021*, a debate arose.

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 11) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2021*, a debate arose.

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

Bill (No. 8) intituled *Public Safety and Solicitor General Statutes Amendment Act, 2021* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 61 and the title of Bill (No. 8) passed.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 7) intituled *Electoral Boundaries Commission Amendment Act, 2021*.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. *Paton*, 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 Labour.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION C)

41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,359,801,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2022.

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 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 C (Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 6.25 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, June 1, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Wat*.

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 and Section C of Committee of Supply.

Bill (No. 10) intituled *Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, 2021* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 27 and the title of Bill (No. 10) passed.

Bill (No. 10) 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 Labour.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION C)

Section C 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 12 noon.

Tuesday, June 1, 2021

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 and Section C of Committee of Supply.

Bill (No. 11) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2021* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 13 and the title of Bill (No. 11) passed.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 7) intituled *Electoral Boundaries Commission Amendment Act, 2021*.

The debate continued.

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

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,374,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Labour, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2022.

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

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 Labour) to be considered at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION C)

Section C 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 6.26 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Wednesday, June 2, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Davies*.

On the motion of Ms. *Furstenau*, Bill (No. M 202) intituled *Health Professions Amendment Act, 2021* 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.”

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

Bill (No. 6) intituled *Accessible British Columbia Act* was committed.

A proposed amendment by Ms. *Cadieux* on the Order Paper to clause 1 of Bill (No. 6) was moved, and by leave, withdrawn.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, division on the proposed amendment by Ms. *Cadieux* to clause 1 of Bill (No. 6) was deferred to later today.

Clause 1 of Bill (No. 6) stood down.

Clauses 2 through 12 of Bill (No. 6) passed.

On clause 13 of Bill (No. 6).

The Committee recessed until 6.40 p.m.

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

A proposed amendment to clause 1 of Bill (No. 6), moved by Ms. *Cadieux*, was defeated on the following deferred division:

NAYS—55

<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Coulter</i>	<i>Kang</i>	<i>Routledge</i>
<i>Alexis</i>	<i>Cullen</i>	<i>Leonard</i>	<i>Routley</i>
<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Dean</i>	<i>Lore</i>	<i>Russell</i>
<i>Babchuk</i>	<i>D'Eith</i>	<i>Ma</i>	<i>Sandhu</i>
<i>Bailey</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>Malcolmson</i>	<i>Sharma</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Donnelly</i>	<i>Mark</i>	<i>Simons</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Dykeman</i>	<i>Mercier</i>	<i>Sims</i>
<i>Begg</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>Osborne</i>	<i>A. Singh</i>
<i>Brar</i>	<i>Elmore</i>	<i>Paddon</i>	<i>R. Singh</i>
<i>Chandra Herbert</i>	<i>Fleming</i>	<i>Popham</i>	<i>Starchuk</i>
<i>Chant</i>	<i>Glumac</i>	<i>Ralston</i>	<i>Walker</i>
<i>Chen</i>	<i>Greene</i>	<i>Rankin</i>	<i>Whiteside</i>
<i>Chow</i>	<i>Heyman</i>	<i>Rice</i>	<i>Yao</i>
<i>Conroy</i>	<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	

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<i>Milobar</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Morris</i>	<i>Stone</i>
<i>Ashton</i>	<i>Doerkson</i>	<i>Oakes</i>	<i>Sturdy</i>
<i>Banman</i>	<i>Halford</i>	<i>Paton</i>	<i>Tegart</i>
<i>Bernier</i>	<i>Kirkpatrick</i>	<i>Ross</i>	<i>Wat</i>
<i>Bond</i>	<i>Kyllo</i>	<i>Rustad</i>	<i>Wilkinson</i>
<i>Cadieux</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Shypitka</i>	<i>Furstenau</i>
<i>Clovechok</i>	<i>Merrifield</i>	<i>Stewart</i>	<i>Olsen</i>
<i>Davies</i>			

Clause 1 of Bill (No. 6) passed.

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 Mental Health and Addictions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION C)

Section C 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 6.52 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Thursday, June 3, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Stone*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Mr. *Bernier* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, Summary of Activities 2020/21, for the Second Session of the Forty-second Parliament (First), June 2021.

The Report was taken as read and received.

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

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *L. Beare* (Minister of Citizens' Services) tabled the Chief Records Officer Annual Report, 2020–21.

The Hon. *R. Chouhan* (Speaker) tabled the Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Order in Council No. 310, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, May 27, 2021.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 4) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2021*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 4) read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 6) intituled *Accessible British Columbia Act* was again committed.

Clauses 13 through 15 of Bill (No. 6) passed.

On clause 16 of Bill (No. 6).

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 Mental Health and Addictions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION C)

Section C of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.53 a.m.

Thursday, June 3, 2021

ONE O’CLOCK P.M.

By leave, Mr. *Banman* tabled correspondence from the Army, Navy and Air Force Veterans in Canada, British Columbia Command, June 3, 2021.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

Bill (No. 6) intituled *Accessible British Columbia Act* was again committed.

Clauses 16 through 33 and the title of Bill (No. 6) passed.

Bill (No. 6) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 7) intituled *Electoral Boundaries Commission Amendment Act, 2021*.

The debate continued.

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

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,735,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2022.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions and further reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Attorney General.

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 Mental Health and Addictions) to be considered at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION C)

Section C of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.27 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Monday, June 7, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Elder Butch Dick, Songhees Nation.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

10 By leave, Mr. *Lee* moved—

Be it resolved that this House stand against anti-Asian racism.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.57 a.m.

Monday, June 7, 2021

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.”

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Jobs, Economic Recovery and Innovation.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$554,901,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Attorney General, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2022.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$89,547,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Attorney General, Judiciary, to 31st March, 2022.

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, 2022.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,093,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Attorney General, Independent Investigations Office, to 31st March, 2022.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$576,465,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Attorney General, Housing, to 31st March, 2022.

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

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 Attorney General) to be considered at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION C)

Section C of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

A petition regarding banning non-professional use of fireworks presented on May 31, 2021 by Ms. Lore was received by the Office of the Clerk.

And then the House adjourned at 6.28 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, June 8, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by the Hon. A. Kang.

The Hon. M. Dean (Minister of Children and Family Development) 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 *Early Childhood Educators Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
May 19, 2021.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

The Hon. M. Dean (Minister of Children and Family Development) 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 *Early Learning and Child Care Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
May 19, 2021.

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. Cadieux, Bill (No. M 203) 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 Speaker made the following statement:

Honourable Members:

During Monday morning's sitting, the Chair issued several cautions to Members participating in debate on the Private Member's motion under consideration by the House. Throughout the debate, several Members of the Official Opposition Caucus spoke about the conduct of the Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing, and used debate on the motion under consideration by the House to bring accusations against the Attorney General.

The Assistant Deputy Speaker, who was in the Chair, brought Members' attention three times to Standing Order 40 (2), which states, "No Member shall use offensive words against any Member of this House." As I indicated I would do at the conclusion of Monday morning's sitting, I have reviewed the transcript of the proceedings, and wish to provide further direction to all Members.

Parliamentary Practice in British Columbia, 5th edition, at page 151, states that, in making remarks in the House, Members should bear in mind the following: "Members cannot quote another Member's words to avoid offending Standing Order 40; a Member cannot do indirectly what the Member is unable to do directly," and, "The conduct of a Member cannot be canvassed in debate, nor can charges of a personal character be made, except by a substantive motion, for which notice is required."

Erskine May, the procedural authority of the United Kingdom Parliament, 25th edition, at pages 496 to 497 states, "The general requirements of moderation in parliamentary language...are viewed as particularly important when Members are speaking of other Members, not because other Members require specific protection, but in order to preserve the character of parliamentary debate."

Furthermore, in the House of Commons of the United Kingdom, Erskine May, 25th edition, at page 497 states, "The Speaker has ruled that a Member who intends to mention another Member's name in the Chamber in a form which amounts to a personal reflection—but which is short of the kind which anyway would require a substantive motion—should (unless the other Member is present) inform the other Member in advance, in a timely and reasonable manner." The same principle has been upheld in our own House, as reflected on page 160 of *Parliamentary Practice in British Columbia*, 5th edition.

Given the nature of the comments made during the course of Monday's debate and the considerations that I have outlined, this was done in a manner that I deem to be conclusively unparliamentary.

Furthermore, I believe it to be a misuse of the intent of Private Members' motions, which afford Private Members with an opportunity every Monday morning to express their views on issues of importance to them—and not to make direct, indirect, or veiled remarks about other Members of the House.

In future debate, I ask Members to be mindful of the guidance that the Chair has provided.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Jobs, Economic Recovery and Innovation.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION C)

Section C of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.57 a.m.

Tuesday, June 8, 2021

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, Section B and Section C of Committee of Supply.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Jobs, Economic Recovery and Innovation.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION C)

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$81,636,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2022.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,001,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries, Agricultural Land Commission, to 31st March, 2022.

Section C of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries and further reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Health.

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 C (Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 6.24 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Wednesday, June 9, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Russell*.

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 and Section C of Committee of Supply.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 7) intituled *Electoral Boundaries Commission Amendment Act, 2021*.

The debate continued.

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.

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 Jobs, Economic Recovery and Innovation.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION C)

Section C of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Health and further reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 6.58 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Thursday, June 10, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Coulter*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Speaker made the following statement:

Honourable Members:

Yesterday afternoon, during second reading debate on Bill (No. 7), the Member for Columbia River-Revelstoke made comments regarding what he perceived to be a lack of participation in debate on the bill by Members of the Government Caucus.

Upon hearing the comment, the Deputy Speaker intervened. He cautioned the Member not to cast aspersions on other Members. When asked repeatedly by the Deputy Speaker to withdraw his remarks, the Member refused to do so. As a result, the Member was not given the opportunity to complete his speech, and second reading debate was thereafter closed, as no other Members indicated that they wished to participate in the debate.

The House then proceeded to a new item of business, and during the intervening recess, the Member for Columbia River-Revelstoke used an unparliamentary word when speaking to the Official Opposition House Leader about the events that had transpired in the House. However, as the Chamber audio was still live, the remark was heard by other Members in the Chamber and those participating remotely.

I have a number of observations to make on this matter.

First, having reviewed the transcript of proceedings, I conclude that the comments made by the Member for Columbia River-Revelstoke while speaking to Bill (No. 7) about Members of the Government Caucus, while immoderate, do not fall into the category of remarks which require an immediate withdrawal.

I appreciate the desire of the Deputy Speaker to raise the tenor of debate in this House. However, in this case, the Member's comments were not inconsistent with remarks made on previous occasions, including remarks made by other Members earlier in the same second reading debate. It is important that the rules of this House and expectations of those who take their seat in this Chamber apply fairly and consistently to all Members. However, it is also inevitable that, in responding in the moment, any Presiding Officer may occasionally fall into error, to the displeasure of one side of the House or the other.

Although I conclude that the remarks made by the Member for Columbia River-Revelstoke were not unparliamentary to the extent that would require withdrawal, I must express my disappointment that the Member repeatedly refused to follow the clear direction of the Deputy Speaker. This changed the tenor of the exchange and causes me great concern. The Members of this House have agreed, through the Standing Orders, that the Presiding Officers shall hold significant responsibilities and powers to address disorderly conduct. A refusal to take the direction of the Chair is contrary to the rules of the House and is an example of gross misconduct, and will not be tolerated.

The role of a Presiding Officer is not an easy one. It is difficult to constantly gauge and react immediately and accurately to the unpredictable nature of Members during debate. One of my predecessors, Speaker Sawicki, when addressing the House in 1994, noted, “It is a delicate balance that every Speaker must strive to achieve—between respect for freedom of speech and the need to maintain order, between the rights of the majority to govern and the rights of the minority to be heard. In return, every Speaker must be able to rely upon all Honourable Members to be vigilant in their support for the institution itself.” The Members who take on the responsibilities of a Presiding Officer require our respect. They take on these duties on behalf of all Members to protect and uphold the rules, customs, and practices of this institution. Any disrespect shown to a Presiding Officer reflects very poorly on the Legislative Assembly as a whole.

I will offer two reminders to all Members. First, if a Member wishes to call the attention of the Chair, whether in the House or in committee, to the violation of our Standing Orders or practices of this House, they are able to do so by raising a point of order. If Members are unsure about the usage of points of order, the Chair and the Clerks at the Table are always happy to provide guidance and to answer any questions. Second, Members should not engage in any exchanges when the House or a committee is in recess, as the audio continues to be live during that time.

Finally, I note that the Member for Columbia River-Revelstoke did use unparliamentary language during the recess. While the comment was unintended to be heard by others, it was, and the Member should withdraw this remark, and I call upon him now to do so.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Mr. *Clovechok* withdrew his comments.

The Hon. *R. Chouhan* (Speaker) tabled the Representative for Children and Youth Report, *Skye’s Legacy: A Focus on Belonging*, June 2021.

Ms. *Merrifield* 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 A, Section B and Section C of Committee of Supply.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Jobs, Economic Recovery and Innovation.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION C)

Section C of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.56 a.m.

Thursday, June 10, 2021

ONE 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 and Section C of Committee of Supply.

Bill (No. 7) intituled *Electoral Boundaries Commission Amendment Act, 2021* was committed.

Clause 1 of Bill (No. 7) passed.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, division on clause 2 of Bill (No. 7) was deferred to later today.

Clause 2 of Bill (No. 7) stood down.

Clause 3 of Bill (No. 7) passed.

On clause 2 of Bill (No. 7) as stood down.

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

Bill to be considered 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 Jobs, Economic Recovery and Innovation.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 7) intituled *Electoral Boundaries Commission Amendment Act, 2021* was again committed.

The Committee recessed until 5.10 p.m.

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

Clause 2 of Bill (No. 7) passed on the following deferred division:

YEAS—55

<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Dean</i>	<i>Lore</i>	<i>Russell</i>
<i>Alexis</i>	<i>D'Eith</i>	<i>Ma</i>	<i>Sandhu</i>
<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>Malcolmson</i>	<i>Sharma</i>
<i>Bailey</i>	<i>Donnelly</i>	<i>Mark</i>	<i>Simons</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Dykeman</i>	<i>Mercier</i>	<i>Sims</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>Osborne</i>	<i>A. Singh</i>
<i>Begg</i>	<i>Elmore</i>	<i>Paddon</i>	<i>R. Singh</i>
<i>Brar</i>	<i>Fleming</i>	<i>Popham</i>	<i>Starchuk</i>
<i>Chant</i>	<i>Glumac</i>	<i>Ralston</i>	<i>Walker</i>
<i>Chen</i>	<i>Greene</i>	<i>Rankin</i>	<i>Whiteside</i>
<i>Chow</i>	<i>Heyman</i>	<i>Rice</i>	<i>Yao</i>
<i>Conroy</i>	<i>Horgan</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Furstenau</i>
<i>Coulter</i>	<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Routledge</i>	<i>Olsen</i>
<i>Cullen</i>	<i>Kang</i>	<i>Routley</i>	

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<i>Milobar</i>	<i>Davies</i>	<i>Merrifield</i>	<i>Shypitka</i>
<i>Ashton</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Morris</i>	<i>Stewart</i>
<i>Banman</i>	<i>Doerkson</i>	<i>Oakes</i>	<i>Stone</i>
<i>Bernier</i>	<i>Halford</i>	<i>Paton</i>	<i>Sturdy</i>
<i>Bond</i>	<i>Kirkpatrick</i>	<i>Ross</i>	<i>Tegart</i>
<i>Cadieux</i>	<i>Kyllo</i>	<i>Rustad</i>	<i>Wilkinson</i>
<i>Clovechok</i>	<i>Letnick</i>		

The title of Bill (No. 7) passed.

Bill (No. 7) reported complete without amendment.

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

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$517,715,000 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, 2022.

31. *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, 2022.

50. *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, 2022.

Section A 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 at the next sitting.

By agreement, summary of debate of estimates passed in Section A (Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development) to be considered at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION C)

Section C of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.27 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Monday, June 14, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Doerkson*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

11 By leave, Ms. *Rice* moved—

Be it resolved that this House recognize June as National Indigenous History Month and continue to advance reconciliation in partnership with Indigenous Peoples.

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 12.01 p.m.

Monday, June 14, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *R. Fleming* presented a petition regarding green alternatives for reducing vehicle carbon emissions.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 7) intituled *Electoral Boundaries Commission Amendment Act, 2021*, a debate arose.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, division on the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 7) was deferred to later today.

Order called for Committee of Supply.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A, Section B and Section C 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.

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. 7) intituled *Electoral Boundaries Commission Amendment Act, 2021*, was agreed to on the following deferred division.

YEAS—57

<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Dean</i>	<i>Leonard</i>	<i>Routley</i>
<i>Alexis</i>	<i>D'Eith</i>	<i>Lore</i>	<i>Russell</i>
<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>Ma</i>	<i>Sandhu</i>
<i>Babchuk</i>	<i>Donnelly</i>	<i>Malcolmson</i>	<i>Sharma</i>
<i>Bailey</i>	<i>Dykeman</i>	<i>Mark</i>	<i>Simons</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>Mercier</i>	<i>Sims</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Elmore</i>	<i>Osborne</i>	<i>A. Singh</i>
<i>Begg</i>	<i>Fleming</i>	<i>Paddon</i>	<i>R. Singh</i>
<i>Brar</i>	<i>Glumac</i>	<i>Popham</i>	<i>Starchuk</i>
<i>Chandra Herbert</i>	<i>Greene</i>	<i>Ralston</i>	<i>Walker</i>
<i>Chant</i>	<i>Heyman</i>	<i>Rankin</i>	<i>Whiteside</i>
<i>Chen</i>	<i>Horgan</i>	<i>Rice</i>	<i>Yao</i>
<i>Chow</i>	<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Furstenau</i>
<i>Conroy</i>	<i>Kang</i>	<i>Routledge</i>	<i>Olsen</i>
<i>Coulter</i>			

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<i>Milobar</i>	<i>Davies</i>	<i>Letnick</i>	<i>Shypitka</i>
<i>Ashton</i>	<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Merrifield</i>	<i>Stewart</i>
<i>Banman</i>	<i>Doerkson</i>	<i>Morris</i>	<i>Stone</i>
<i>Bernier</i>	<i>Halford</i>	<i>Oakes</i>	<i>Sturdy</i>
<i>Bond</i>	<i>Kirkpatrick</i>	<i>Paton</i>	<i>Tegart</i>
<i>Cadieux</i>	<i>Kyllo</i>	<i>Ross</i>	<i>Wat</i>
<i>Clovechok</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Rustad</i>	<i>Wilkinson</i>

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

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$78,648,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Jobs, Economic Recovery and Innovation, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2022.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Jobs, Economic Recovery and Innovation and further reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Health.

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 Jobs, Economic Recovery and Innovation) to be considered at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION C)

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$849,613,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2022.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$36,420,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General, *Emergency Program Act*, to 31st March, 2022.

Section C of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General and further reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure.

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 C (Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General) to be considered at the next sitting.

A petition regarding mandatory masking of school children presented on June 10, 2021 by Ms. *Merrifield* was received by the Office of the Clerk.

And then the House adjourned at 6.25 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, June 15, 2021

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Merrifield*.

Order called for “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

Mr. *Olsen* presented a petition regarding an independent review of Island Health’s Psychiatric Emergency Services.

The Hon. *R. Chouhan* (Speaker) tabled the following documents:

Legislative Assembly Management Committee Accountability Report, 2019–20, June 2021;

Auditor General Report, Community Living BC’s Framework for Monitoring Home Sharing Providers, June 2021; and,

Ombudsperson Special Report No. 48, Alone: The Prolonged and Repeated Isolation of Youth in Custody, June 2021.

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* (Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General) tabled the Forest Appeals Commission Annual Report, 2020.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Order called for Committee of Supply.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A, Section B and Section C 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.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

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

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION C)

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

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.55 a.m.

Tuesday, June 15, 2021

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, Section B and Section C 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 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 Office of the Premier.
Report to be considered at the next sitting.
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION C)

Section C of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure.
Report to be considered at the next sitting.
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.27 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Wednesday, June 16, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Tegart*.

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. 12) intituled *Insurance (Vehicle) Amendment Act, 2021* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
May 5, 2021.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *S. Robinson* (Minister of Finance) tabled the Speculation and Vacancy Tax Annual Report, 2019 Tax Year.

The Hon. *L. Beare*, on behalf of the Hon. *M. Mark* (Minister of Tourism, Arts, Culture and Sport), tabled the BC Arts Council Annual Report, 2020/2021.

The Hon. *R. Chouhan* (Speaker) tabled a Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Ministerial Order No. M242, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, June 15, 2021.

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

That a Special Committee be appointed to review the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 165) pursuant to section 80 of that Act.

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 Committee considers appropriate;
- d. adjourn from place to place as may be convenient; and,
- e. retain such personnel as required to assist the Special Committee.

That the Special Committee report to the House by June 15, 2022, and that during a period of adjournment, the Special Committee deposit its reports with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, and upon resumption of the sittings of the House, or in the next following Session, as the case may be, the Chair present all reports to the House.

That the Special Committee be composed of the following Members: *Rick Glumac* (Convener), *Susie Chant*, *Janet Routledge*, *Henry Yao*, *John Rustad*, *Tom Shypitka*, and *Adam Olsen*.

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, Section B and Section C 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.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

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

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION C)

Section C of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure.
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. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Thursday, June 17, 2021

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Elder Butch Dick, Songhees Nation.

Order called for “Members’ Statements.”

The Hon. *N. Cullen* (Minister of State for Lands and Natural Resource Operations) made a ministerial statement regarding the demolition of the former residential school building in the community of Lower Post.

Mr. *Milobar* made a statement.

Mr. *Olsen* made a statement.

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

The Hon. *R. Chouhan* (Speaker) tabled the Ombudsperson and Information and Privacy Commissioner Joint Special Report No. 2, *Getting Ahead of the Curve: Meeting the Challenges to Privacy and Fairness Arising from the Use of Artificial Intelligence in the Public Sector*, June 2021.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION B)

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$14,678,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Office of the Premier, Office of the Premier, to 31st March, 2022.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,392,755,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Children and Family Development, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2022.

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

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

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

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION C)

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

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.57 a.m.

Thursday, June 17, 2021

ONE O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of Ms. *Paddon*, Bill (No. Pr 401) intituled *United Church of Canada Amendment Act, 2021* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* referred to the Select Standing Committee on Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION B)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$86,062,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislative Assembly, to 31st March, 2022.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,082,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Auditor General, to 31st March, 2022.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$738,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Conflict of Interest Commissioner, to 31st March, 2022.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$21,126,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Elections BC, to 31st March, 2022.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,815,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Human Rights Commissioner, to 31st March, 2022.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,589,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Information and Privacy Commissioner, to 31st March, 2022.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,377,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Merit Commissioner, to 31st March, 2022.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,802,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Ombudsperson, to 31st March, 2022.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,460,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Police Complaint Commissioner, to 31st March, 2022.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,641,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Representative for Children and Youth, to 31st March, 2022.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$307,466,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Finance, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2022.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$28,338,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Finance, Government Communications and Public Engagement, to 31st March, 2022.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$59,507,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Finance, BC Public Service Agency, to 31st March, 2022.

29. *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, 2022.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,339,774,000 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, 2022.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,250,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Contingencies (All Ministries) and New Programs, to 31st March, 2022.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,447,983,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Capital Funding, to 31st March, 2022.

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, 2022.

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, 2022.

49. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,871,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Tax Transfers, to 31st March, 2022.

Section B of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the estimates of the Legislative Assembly and Officers of the Legislature and further reported Resolutions and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Finance.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$23,725,698,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Health, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2022.

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

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION C)

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$948,948,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2022.

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

Report to be considered forthwith.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

By agreement, summary of debate of estimates passed in Section C (Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure) to be considered at the next sitting.

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

The Hon. *S. Robinson* (Minister of Finance) moved—

That the reports of resolutions from the Committees of Supply on May 11, 12, 13, 17, 18, 20, 31, and June 1, 3, 7, 8, 10, 14, and 17 be now received, taken as read and agreed to.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *S. Robinson* (Minister of Finance) moved—

That there be granted to Her Majesty, from and out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, the sum of 57 billion, 188 million, 294 thousand dollars towards defraying the charges and expenses of the public service of the province for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2022. This sum includes that authorized to be paid under section 2 of the *Supply Act (No. 1), 2021*.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *S. Robinson* (Minister of Finance) moved—

That there be granted to Her Majesty, from and out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, the sum of 1 billion, 190 million, 40 thousand dollars towards defraying the disbursements for capital, loans, investments and other financing requirements of the province for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2022. This sum includes that authorized to be paid under section 3 of the *Supply Act (No. 1), 2021*.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *S. Robinson* (Minister of Finance) moved—

That there be granted to Her Majesty, from and out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, the sum of 1 billion, 391 million, 333 thousand dollars towards defraying the disbursements for revenue collected for, and transferred to, other entities for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2022. This sum includes that authorized to be paid under section 4 of the *Supply Act (No. 1), 2021*.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *S. Robinson* (Minister of Finance) 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 *Supply Act, 2021–2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
June 9, 2021.

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. 16) was read a second time.

On the motion of the Hon. *S. Robinson* (Minister of Finance), Bill (No. 16) was committed to a Committee of the Whole House to be considered forthwith.

Bill (No. 16) was committed.

Clauses 1 through 4, the schedules, the preamble and the title of Bill (No. 16) passed.

Bill (No. 16) 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. 4) *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2021*.

Bill (No. 6) *Accessible British Columbia Act*.

Bill (No. 7) *Electoral Boundaries Commission Amendment Act, 2021*.

Bill (No. 8) *Public Safety and Solicitor General Statutes Amendment Act, 2021*.

Bill (No. 10) *Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, 2021*.

Bill (No. 11) *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2021*.

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."

Seunghie Suzie Seo, Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel, read the title to the following Act:

Bill (No. 16) *Supply Act, 2021–2022*.

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

The said assent was announced by *Seunghie Suzie Seo*, Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel, 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 Second Session of the Forty-second 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 and shall table it for it to be printed in the Votes and Proceedings of the House at the next sitting.

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 her stead for the purpose of this order.

Motion agreed to.

And then the House adjourned at 4.38 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Monday, October 4, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Elder Shirley Alphonse of the T'Sou-ke Nation.

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

GENERAL

1. That, 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, the use of videoconferencing technology be authorized 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.

2. That Zoom be approved as the videoconferencing technology platform for the purposes of supporting hybrid proceedings of the House.

QUORUM AND ATTENDANCE

3. 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*.

4. 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.

DIVISIONS

5. That Standing Order 16 (2) be amended by adding the underlined text: When a division has been called, the division bells shall be rung forthwith. Not sooner than 2, nor longer than 5 minutes thereafter, the Speaker shall again state the question. No Member shall enter or leave the House or Committee of the Whole after the final statement of the question until the division has been fully taken, and every Member present shall vote. No Member participating remotely shall connect to or disconnect from the approved videoconferencing technology after the final statement of the question until the division has been fully taken.

DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT

6. 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.

7. 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.

8. That, notwithstanding the usual practices of the House, petitions presented to the House may include signatures collected through electronic means, and that the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly or her designate be authorized to exercise reasonable discretion in the interpretation of admissibility of an electronic petition and its compliance with Standing Order 73 and Appendix A of the Standing Orders.

SPEAKER’S DISCRETION

9. 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.

10. 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.

11. 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.

12. 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 this 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.

OTHER

13. 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.

14. That this order expire on November 30, 2021.

Motion agreed to.

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

That, for the remainder of the current Session:

1. Standing Order 2 (1) be amended to provide for the Thursday afternoon sitting to be from 1:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. instead of 1:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

2. Standing Order 3 be amended by striking the words “6:00 p.m. on Thursday” and replacing them with “5:30 p.m. on Thursday”.

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Order called for “Private Members’ Statements.”

15 By leave, Mr. *Halford* moved —

Be it resolved that this House agree that the current measures have not adequately addressed the opioid epidemic and commit to making mental health and addictions a priority in British Columbia.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.58 a.m.

Monday, October 4, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

The Hon. *J. Horgan* (Premier) made a ministerial statement regarding the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

Ms. *Bond* made a statement.

Mr. *Olsen* made a statement.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *R. Chouhan* (Speaker) tabled the following documents:

Auditor General Report, Oversight of Dam Safety in British Columbia, September 2021;

Auditor General Report, Update on the Connecting British Columbia Program, August 2021;

Chief Electoral Officer Report, 42nd Provincial General Election, October 24, 2020;

Conflict of Interest Commissioner Annual Report, 2020;

Information and Privacy Commissioner Annual Report, 2020–21;

Ombudsperson Annual Report, 2020–2021;

Ombudsperson Public Report No. 52, Severed Trust: Enabling WorkSafeBC to Do The Right Thing When Its Mistakes Hurt Injured Workers, September 2021;

Ombudsperson Special Report No. 49, Strategic Plan, 2021–2026, July 2021;

Registrar of Lobbyists Annual Report, 2020–21;

Representative for Children and Youth Annual Report 2020/21 and Service Plan 2021/22 to 2023/24;

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Ministerial Order No. M273, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, June 30, 2021;

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Ministerial Order No. M274, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, July 5, 2021;

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Order in Council No. 372, Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing, July 7, 2021;

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Order in Council No. 420, Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing, July 9, 2021;

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Order in Council No. 428, Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing, July 12, 2021;

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Order in Council No. 429, Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing, July 12, 2021;

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Order in Council No. 430, Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing, July 13, 2021;

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Order in Council No. 431, Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing, July 13, 2021;

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Order in Council No. 432, Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing, July 13, 2021;

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Order in Council No. 433, Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing, July 13, 2021;

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Order in Council No. 437, Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing, July 13, 2021;

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Order in Council No. 518, Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing, September 15, 2021;

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Order in Council No. 526, Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing, September 15, 2021;

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Order in Council No. 530, Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing, September 15, 2021; and,

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Order in Council No. 538, Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing, October 4, 2021.

The Hon. *N. Simons* (Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction) tabled the TogetherBC Annual Report, 2020.

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

That the written agreement between the Government House Leader, the Official Opposition House Leader, and the Third Party House Leader, dated September 24, 2021, be ratified to substitute *Jagrup Brar*, MLA, for *Pam Alexis*, MLA, as a Member of the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services for the Second Session of the Forty-second Parliament.

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 12) intituled *Insurance (Vehicle) Amendment Act, 2021*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 12) 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. 15) intituled *Early Learning and Child Care Act*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

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

The debate continued.

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

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

British Columbia Human Rights Tribunal Annual Report, 2020/2021;

Budget 2021 First Quarterly Report, September 2021;

Crown Agency Annual Service Plan Reports, 2020/21: 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 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.; InBC Investment Corp. (formerly BC Immigrant Investment Fund Ltd.); Industry Training Authority; Infrastructure BC (formerly Partnerships BC); Innovate BC; Insurance Corporation of British Columbia; Knowledge Network Corporation; Legal Aid BC (formerly Legal Services Society); Real Estate Council of BC; Royal BC Museum Corporation; Transportation Investment Corporation;

Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act, Annual Report, 2020/2021;

Ministerial Accountability Report, 2020/21;

Ministry Annual Service Plan Reports, 2020/21: Office of the Premier; Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Training; Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries; Ministry of Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing 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 Low Carbon Innovation; 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 Recovery and Innovation; Ministry of Labour; Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions; Ministry of Municipal Affairs; Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction; Ministry of Tourism, Arts, Culture and Sport; Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure;

Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Major Capital Project Plan: Highway 1 Ford to Tappen Four-Laning Project, July 19, 2021;

Province of British Columbia Strategic Plan Annual Report, 2020/21; and

Public Accounts, 2020/21.

And then the House adjourned at 6.29 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, October 5, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Chant*.

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. 17) intituled *Protected Areas of British Columbia Amendment Act, 2021* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
September 23, 2021.

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 and Minister Responsible for Housing) tabled the Environmental Appeal Board Annual Report, 2020/2021.

Ms. *Sims* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Children and Youth, Annual Report 2020–21, for the Second Session of the Forty-second Parliament, July 2021.

The Report was taken as read and received.

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

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

Ms. *Sims* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills, September 20, 2021.

The Report was taken as read and received.

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

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

Pursuant to Standing Order 110 (2), Bill (No. Pr 401) to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading.

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 *Early Childhood Educators Act*.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.58 a.m.

Tuesday, October 5, 2021

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. 14) intituled *Early Childhood Educators Act*.

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.

Bill (No. 15) intituled *Early Learning and Child Care Act* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 31 and the title of Bill (No. 15) passed.

Bill (No. 15) reported complete without amendment, 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.

The debate continued.

On the motion of the Hon. *N. Simons*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 6.24 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Wednesday, October 6, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by the Hon. *S. Malcolmson*.

The Hon. *S. Robinson* (Minister of Finance) 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 *Societies Amendment Act, 2021* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
September 29, 2021.

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. *Brar* presented the Report of the Special Committee to Review Provisions of the *Election Act* for the Second Session of the Forty-second Parliament, August 2021.

The Report was taken as read and received.

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

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 17) intituled *Protected Areas of British Columbia Amendment Act, 2021*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

Bill (No. 14) intituled *Early Childhood Educators Act* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 9 of Bill (No. 14) passed.

Ms. *Kirkpatrick* moved a proposed amendment to clause 10 of Bill (No. 14) which was defeated, on division.

On clause 10 of Bill (No. 14).

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 6.57 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Thursday, October 7, 2021

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Yao*.

The Hon. *D. Eby* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for 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. 21) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2021* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 5, 2021.

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. *R. Chouhan* (Speaker) tabled the Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8) regarding Order in Council No. 552, Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing, October 6, 2021.

Ms. *Routledge* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services, Interim Report on Statutory Offices, for the Second Session of the Forty-second Parliament (First), August 2021.

The Report was taken as read and received.

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

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 19) intituled *Societies Amendment Act, 2021*, a debate arose.

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

Bill (No. 14) intituled *Early Childhood Educators Act* was again committed.

Clause 10 of Bill (No. 14) passed.

On clause 11 of Bill (No. 14).

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.58 a.m.

Thursday, October 7, 2021

ONE O’CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *M. Dean* advised the House of the death of Frank Mitchell, a former Member of the Legislative Assembly.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Bill (No. 12) intituled *Insurance (Vehicle) Amendment Act, 2021* was committed.

Clause 1 of Bill (No. 12) passed.

The Hon. *D. Eby* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing) reserved his right to raise a matter of privilege in Committee.

Clause 2 of Bill (No. 12) passed, on division.

Clauses 3 through 34 and the title of Bill (No. 12) passed.

Bill (No. 12) was reported complete without amendment.

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 12) the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—51

Chandra Herbert
Walker
Simons
Popham
Malcolmson
Beare
Mark
Kahlon
Kang
Bains
Dean
Cullen
Ma

Chow
A. Singh
Russell
Starchuk
Anderson
Donnelly
Bailey
Routley
Whiteside
Heyman
Conroy
Farnworth
Horgan

Robinson
Eby
Dix
Osborne
Fleming
Ralston
Sharma
Routledge
Paddon
Sandhu
Elmore
Brar
Begg

D'Eith
Sims
Greene
Chant
Leonard
Coulter
Glumac
Yao
Dykeman
Mercier
Furstenau
Olsen

NAYS—22

Cadieux
Bernier
Halford
Milobar
Bond
Tegart

Stone
Davies
Oakes
Morris
Sturdy
Wilkinson

Ross
Paton
Rustad
Kyllo
Kirkpatrick

Lee
Banman
Ashton
Letnick
Clovechok

Bill (No. 12) was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 17) intituled *Protected Areas of British Columbia Amendment Act, 2021* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 8 and the title of Bill (No. 17) passed.

Bill (No. 17) reported complete without amendment, 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.

Motion agreed to, on division.

And then the House adjourned at 5.17 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Monday, October 18, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Doerkson*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

16 By leave, Ms. *Elmore* moved—

Be it resolved that this House recognize the contributions made by women working in traditionally male-dominated industries, now and throughout history, and support actions to remove barriers to equality in the workforce.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

Monday, October 18, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *L. Beare* (Minister of Citizens' Services) 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 *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2021* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 14, 2021.

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. *R. Chouhan* (Speaker) made a statement regarding the appointment of *Ray Robitaille* as Sergeant-at-Arms.

By leave, the Hon. *M. Farnworth* moved, seconded by Mr. *Milobar* and Ms. *Furstenau*—
That effective immediately, *Ray Robitaille* be appointed Sergeant-at-Arms.

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Bill (No. 19) intituled *Societies Amendment Act, 2021* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 115 and the title of Bill (No. 19) passed.

Bill (No. 19) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 14) intituled *Early Childhood Educators Act* was again committed.

Clauses 11 through 57 and the title of Bill (No. 14) passed.

Bill (No. 14) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 21) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2021*, 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 6.29 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, October 19, 2021

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Tegart*.

Order called for “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. Pr 401) intituled *United Church of Canada Amendment Act, 2021*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. Pr 401) read a second time and by leave, committed to a Committee of the Whole House to be considered forthwith.

Clauses 1 through 9, the preamble and the title of Bill (No. Pr 401) passed.

Bill (No. Pr 401) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 21) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2021*.

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.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 22) intituled *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2021*, a debate arose.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.58 a.m.

Tuesday, October 19, 2021

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. 22) intituled *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2021*.

Mr. *Olsen* reserved his right to raise a question of privilege regarding Bill (No. 22) and the work of the Special Committee to Review the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.27 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Wednesday, October 20, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Letnick*.

The Hon. *K. Conroy* (Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development) 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 *Forests Statutes Amendment Act, 2021* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 18, 2021.

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. *Olsen* rose on a question of privilege regarding Bill (No. 22) intituled *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2021* and the work currently undertaken by the Special Committee to Review the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* pursuant to section 80 of the said Act, and tabled the required motion.

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* reserved the right to respond to the question of privilege.

Mr. *Milobar* reserved the right to respond to the question of privilege.

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

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Bill (No. 21) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2021* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 31 of Bill (No. 21) passed.

Clause 32 of Bill (No. 21) passed on the following division:

YEAS—73

Chandra Herbert
Rice
Walker
Babchuk
Simons
Popham
Malcolmson
Beare
Mark
Kahlon
Kang
Bains
Dean
Ma
Chow
A. Singh
Russell
Starchuk
Anderson

Donnelly
Bailey
Alexis
Routley
Whiteside
Heyman
Conroy
Farnworth
Robinson
Eby
Dix
Osborne
Chen
Ralston
Sharma
Routledge
Paddon
Sandhu

Elmore
Brar
Begg
D’Eith
Greene
Chant
Leonard
Coulter
Glumac
Yao
Dykeman
Mercier
Cadieux
Bernier
Halford
Milobar
Bond
de Jong

Tegart
Stone
Davies
Oakes
Morris
Stewart
Sturdy
Wilkinson
Ross
Paton
Rustad
Kyllo
Wat
Doerkson
Shypitka
Banman
Ashton
Clovechok

NAYS—2

Furstenau

Olsen

On clause 33 of Bill (No. 21).

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

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* made representations with respect to the question of privilege raised earlier today by Mr. *Olsen*.

Mr. *Milobar* made representations.

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

And then the House adjourned at 7.05 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Thursday, October 21, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Stone*.

The Speaker made a statement advising that the House would recess to take part in an international earthquake drill.

The House recessed until 11 o'clock a.m.

Mr. *de Jong* made a statement congratulating the Hon. *M. Farnworth* for his contributions as a Member of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia since first elected 30 years ago in October 1991.

The Hon. *J. Horgan* (Premier) made a statement.

Ms. *Furstenau* made a statement.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *R. Chouhan* (Speaker) tabled the Elections BC Annual Report, 2020/21 and Service Plan, 2021/22–2023/24, October 21, 2021.

And then the House adjourned at 12.04 p.m.

Thursday, October 21, 2021

ONE O'CLOCK P.M.

The Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows:

Honourable Members:

On Wednesday, October 20, the Member for Saanich North and the Islands raised a question of privilege regarding Bill (No. 22), *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2021*, and the work of the Special Committee to Review the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

In his submission, the Member stated that the introduction of Bill (No. 22) while a special committee has been tasked by the House to carry out a time-constrained statutory review of the Act that Bill (No. 22) proposes to amend breached his privileges as a Member of the Special Committee to Review the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

The Chair thanks the Government House Leader for his submission with respect to the provision under the provincial *Constitution Act* that enables the Lieutenant Governor, acting on the advice of the Executive Council, to transmit bills for consideration by this House. The Chair also thanks the Official Opposition House Leader for his submission with respect to section 80 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* that requires that a review of that Act be undertaken every six years by a special committee appointed by this House.

In considering a question of privilege, the Chair must first assess whether the initial criterion has been met. That criterion is whether the question was raised at the earliest opportunity. This strict requirement and the inability of the Chair to relax it is canvassed in detail in *Parliamentary Practice in British Columbia*, 5th edition, at pages 401 to 403.

The Member for Saanich North and the Islands reserved his right to raise a question of privilege on this matter during the afternoon sitting on Tuesday, October 19. Bill (No. 22) was introduced by the Minister of Citizens' Services and was read a first time at the outset of the afternoon sitting on Monday, October 18. In my view, the Member for Saanich North and the Islands had a reasonable opportunity to reserve his right to raise a question of privilege prior to the conclusion of the afternoon sitting on Monday, October 18.

On this basis, I conclude that the initial criterion that the Chair must use in determining whether a *prima facie* breach of privilege has occurred, that being the requirement that the matter be raised at the first opportunity, has not been met. It is therefore not necessary for the Chair to evaluate the arguments put forward by the Member for Saanich North and the Islands as it relates to his question of privilege.

However, the Chair does wish to take this opportunity to provide advice for the record of this House as it relates to some of the matters at hand. The crux of this matter is complex and nuanced, and little guidance exists on how such a situation ought to be addressed.

In his submission, the Member for Saanich North and the Islands noted a ruling of one of my predecessors, Speaker Sawicki, of June 1, 1993, which notes that "...it is the acknowledged practice of this House to preclude any reference in detail to specific issues before a committee, prior to the report of the committee, or discussion of evidence being presented to a committee, but to allow general references to a subject matter even although that matter may have been previously referred to a select standing or other committee. The rationale of this practice is to avoid any direct intrusion into the functioning of committees which might pre-empt the committee's activities. The House itself, at the same time, does not totally preclude itself from alluding to a particular subject matter which it has referred to one of its committees." The Chair acknowledges that the findings of Speaker Sawicki continue to represent the practices of this House as they stand today.

Once the House has tasked a select standing committee or a special committee with a line of inquiry through a terms of reference, the House has no knowledge of what transpires in such a committee or what conclusions or recommendations the committee intends to make in respect of those terms of reference until such time that the committee reports to the House.

Respecting this principle and reality, the Chair can appreciate the difficult situation that a parliamentary committee would find itself in if, while it is nearing the completion of a public consultation resulting from a statutory review of an Act, substantial amendments to that same Act were brought forward for the consideration of this House. It may have a significant impact on the work of such a committee, especially if that committee is required to report to the House within a time-constrained period.

Parliamentary committees fulfill a very important function within our democratic process. They allow small subsets of Members to engage directly with British Columbians on matters that they are tasked with by this House. Committees often do this by undertaking extensive public consultations, which require a great deal of resourcing. The Chair appreciates that, in certain circumstances, the effectiveness of the work of such a committee could be undermined by the introduction of a bill that relates directly and substantively to the work of that committee.

That is not to say that committee proceedings may preclude the introduction of legislation — there may be unique, urgent, or otherwise necessary circumstances that may require the House to act swiftly through the consideration of legislation.

Finally, let there be no doubt about the right of the government and of all Members to introduce legislation for the consideration of this House. But there are instances when the timing of the introduction of a bill could be discourteous to the House or one of its committees.

Timing of the introduction of legislation should be carefully considered, so as not to diminish or be perceived to diminish the important work that this House and its committees undertake outside of core legislative functions.

I trust that this guidance will be given due consideration going forward. Thank you.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Bill (No. 21) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2021* was again committed.

Clauses 33 through 40 and the title of Bill (No. 21) passed.

Bill (No. 21) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 22) intituled *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2021*.

The debate continued.

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

And then the house adjourned at 5.26 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Monday, October 25, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Sandhu*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

17 By leave, Mr. *Doerkson* moved—

Be it resolved that this House recognize the lessons learned from this year's historic wildfire season and implement them to better prepare our response to future wildfires and needed post-wildfire recovery.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 12 noon.

Monday, October 25, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *J. Whiteside* (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. 25) intituled *Education Statutes Amendment Act, 2021* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 21, 2021.

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 and Minister Responsible for Housing) tabled the following documents:

British Columbia Ferries Commissioner Annual Report for the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2021, August 30, 2021; and,

Public Guardian and Trustee of British Columbia Annual Report, 2020/2021.

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* on behalf of the Hon. *G. Heyman* (Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy) tabled the following documents:

Environmental Emergency Program Report to the Legislature, 2020–2021; and,
CleanBC Climate Change Accountability Report, 2021.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 22) intituled *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2021*.

The debate continued.

Mr. *Milobar* moved the following amendment—

That the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 22) intituled *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2021* be amended by deleting all the words after “that” and substituting therefor the following: “Bill (No. 22) not be read a second time now but that the subject matter be referred to the Special Committee to Review the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.”

The debate on the amendment continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.26 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, October 26, 2021

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Dykeman*.

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. 24) intituled *Environmental Management Amendment Act, 2021* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 21, 2021.

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. Osborne* (Minister of Municipal Affairs) 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. 26) intituled *Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2021* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 21, 2021.

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. *R. Chouhan* (Speaker) tabled the Auditor General’s Report on the Audit of the Public Accounts, Fiscal Year 2020/21, October 2021.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the amendment to the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 22) intituled *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2021*.

The amendment on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 22) was negatived, on the following division:

NAYS—50

<i>Rice</i>	<i>Ma</i>	<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Brar</i>
<i>Walker</i>	<i>Chow</i>	<i>Horgan</i>	<i>Begg</i>
<i>Babchuk</i>	<i>A. Singh</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	<i>R. Singh</i>
<i>Simons</i>	<i>Russell</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>D’Eith</i>
<i>Popham</i>	<i>Starchuk</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>Sims</i>
<i>Malcolmson</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Osborne</i>	<i>Greene</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Bailey</i>	<i>Fleming</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Mark</i>	<i>Lore</i>	<i>Chen</i>	<i>Leonard</i>
<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Alexis</i>	<i>Rankin</i>	<i>Coulter</i>
<i>Kang</i>	<i>Routley</i>	<i>Sharma</i>	<i>Yao</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Whiteside</i>	<i>Paddon</i>	<i>Dykeman</i>
<i>Dean</i>	<i>Heyman</i>	<i>Sandhu</i>	<i>Mercier</i>
<i>Cullen</i>	<i>Conroy</i>		

YEAS—29

<i>Cadieux</i>	<i>Davies</i>	<i>Paton</i>	<i>Shypitka</i>
<i>Bernier</i>	<i>Oakes</i>	<i>Rustad</i>	<i>Banman</i>
<i>Halford</i>	<i>Morris</i>	<i>Kyllo</i>	<i>Ashton</i>
<i>Milobar</i>	<i>Stewart</i>	<i>Wat</i>	<i>Letnick</i>
<i>Bond</i>	<i>Sturdy</i>	<i>Doerkson</i>	<i>Clovechok</i>
<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Wilkinson</i>	<i>Merrifield</i>	<i>Furstenau</i>
<i>Tegart</i>	<i>Ross</i>	<i>Kirkpatrick</i>	<i>Olsen</i>
<i>Stone</i>			

The debate resumed on the main motion.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—52

<i>Rice</i>	<i>Ma</i>	<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Brar</i>
<i>Walker</i>	<i>Chow</i>	<i>Horgan</i>	<i>Begg</i>
<i>Babchuk</i>	<i>A. Singh</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	<i>R. Singh</i>
<i>Simons</i>	<i>Russell</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>D'Eith</i>
<i>Popham</i>	<i>Starchuk</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>Sims</i>
<i>Malcolmson</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Osborne</i>	<i>Greene</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Bailey</i>	<i>Fleming</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Mark</i>	<i>Lore</i>	<i>Chen</i>	<i>Leonard</i>
<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Alexis</i>	<i>Rankin</i>	<i>Coulter</i>
<i>Kang</i>	<i>Routley</i>	<i>Sharma</i>	<i>Glumac</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Whiteside</i>	<i>Routledge</i>	<i>Yao</i>
<i>Dean</i>	<i>Heyman</i>	<i>Paddon</i>	<i>Dykeman</i>
<i>Cullen</i>	<i>Conroy</i>	<i>Sandhu</i>	<i>Mercier</i>

NAYS—29

<i>Cadieux</i>	<i>Davies</i>	<i>Paton</i>	<i>Shypitka</i>
<i>Bernier</i>	<i>Oakes</i>	<i>Rustad</i>	<i>Banman</i>
<i>Halford</i>	<i>Morris</i>	<i>Kyllo</i>	<i>Ashton</i>
<i>Milobar</i>	<i>Stewart</i>	<i>Wat</i>	<i>Letnick</i>
<i>Bond</i>	<i>Sturdy</i>	<i>Doerkson</i>	<i>Clovechok</i>
<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Wilkinson</i>	<i>Merrifield</i>	<i>Furstenau</i>
<i>Tegart</i>	<i>Ross</i>	<i>Kirkpatrick</i>	<i>Olsen</i>
<i>Stone</i>			

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.01 p.m.

Tuesday, October 26, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 23) intituled *Forests Statutes Amendment Act, 2021*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 25) intituled *Education Statutes Amendment Act, 2021*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.26 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Wednesday, October 27, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Starchuk*.

The Hon. *D. Eby* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for 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. 27) intituled *Election Amendment Act, 2021* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 25, 2021.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 25) intituled *Education Statutes Amendment Act, 2021*.

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 24) intituled *Environmental Management Amendment Act, 2021*, a debate arose.

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 26) intituled *Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2021*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

Bill (No. 26) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 22) intituled *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2021* was committed.

On clause 1 of Bill (No. 22).

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 6.56 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Thursday, October 28, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Coulter*.

On the motion of Ms. *Furstenau*, Bill (No. M 204) intituled *Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Protection Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 22) intituled *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2021* was again committed.

On clause 1 of Bill (No. 22).

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 11.56 a.m.

Thursday, October 28, 2021

ONE O'CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 22) intituled *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2021* was again committed.

Clause 1 of Bill (No. 22) passed on the following division:

YEAS—49

<i>Rice</i>	<i>Ma</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>Begg</i>
<i>Walker</i>	<i>Chow</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>R. Singh</i>
<i>Babchuk</i>	<i>Russell</i>	<i>Osborne</i>	<i>D'Eith</i>
<i>Simons</i>	<i>Starchuk</i>	<i>Fleming</i>	<i>Sims</i>
<i>Popham</i>	<i>Bailey</i>	<i>Chen</i>	<i>Greene</i>
<i>Malcolmson</i>	<i>Lore</i>	<i>Rankin</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Alexis</i>	<i>Ralston</i>	<i>Leonard</i>
<i>Mark</i>	<i>Routley</i>	<i>Sharma</i>	<i>Coulter</i>
<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Whiteside</i>	<i>Routledge</i>	<i>Glumac</i>
<i>Kang</i>	<i>Conroy</i>	<i>Paddon</i>	<i>Yao</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Elmore</i>	<i>Dykeman</i>
<i>Dean</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Brar</i>	<i>Mercier</i>
<i>Cullen</i>			

NAYS—24

<i>Cadioux</i>	<i>Davies</i>	<i>Paton</i>	<i>Shypitka</i>
<i>Halford</i>	<i>Oakes</i>	<i>Kyllo</i>	<i>Banman</i>
<i>Milobar</i>	<i>Morris</i>	<i>Wat</i>	<i>Ashton</i>
<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Stewart</i>	<i>Doerkson</i>	<i>Clovechok</i>
<i>Tegart</i>	<i>Sturdy</i>	<i>Merrifield</i>	<i>Furstenau</i>
<i>Stone</i>	<i>Wilkinson</i>	<i>Kirkpatrick</i>	<i>Olsen</i>

On clause 2 of Bill (No. 22).

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

The Speaker declared a short recess.

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

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

Bill (No. 12) *Insurance (Vehicle) Amendment Act, 2021*.

Bill (No. 14) *Early Childhood Educators Act*.

Bill (No. 15) *Early Learning and Child Care Act*.

Bill (No. 19) *Societies Amendment Act, 2021*.

Bill (No. 21) *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2021*.

Bill (No. Pr 401) *United Church of Canada Amendment Act, 2021*.

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.

And then the House adjourned at 5.15 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Monday, November 1, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Merrifield*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

18 By leave, Mr. *Russell* moved—

Be it resolved that this House support strong rural communities built on thriving, diversified and sustainable rural economies.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.01 p.m.

Monday, November 1, 2021

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."

Bill (No. 22) intituled *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2021* was again committed.

Clause 2 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 3 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 4 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

On clause 5 of Bill (No. 22).

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 6.24 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, November 2, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Kyllo*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *R. Chouhan* (Speaker) tabled the following documents:

Auditor General Report, Fraud Risk Management Survey Report, 2020/21, November 2021; and, Human Rights Commissioner Annual Report, 2020/21 and Service Plan, 2021/22–2023/24.

The Hon. *S. Robinson* (Minister of Finance) tabled the following documents:

Province of British Columbia Consolidated Revenue Fund Guarantees and Indemnities Approved for the Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2021; and,

Statement of 2020/21 Borrowings Pursuant to Section 56 of the *Financial Administration Act*, Schedule A and Schedule B.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 27) intituled *Election Amendment Act, 2021*, a debate arose.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.55 a.m.

Tuesday, November 2, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 25) intituled *Education Statutes Amendment Act, 2021* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 26 and the title of Bill (No. 25) passed.

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

Bill (No. 26) intituled *Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2021* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 25 of Bill (No. 26) passed.

On clause 26 of Bill (No. 26).

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 6.26 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Wednesday, November 3, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Letnick*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 26) intituled *Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2021* was again committed.

Clauses 26 through 57, the schedules and the title of Bill (No. 26) passed.

Bill (No. 26) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 27) intituled *Election Amendment Act, 2021* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 4 and the title of Bill (No. 27) passed.

Bill (No. 27) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 22) intituled *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2021* was again committed.

Clause 5 of Bill (No. 22) passed on the following division:

YEAS—46

<i>Walker</i>	<i>Chow</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Elmore</i>
<i>Babchuk</i>	<i>Russell</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>Brar</i>
<i>Simons</i>	<i>Starchuk</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>R. Singh</i>
<i>Popham</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Osborne</i>	<i>D'Eith</i>
<i>Malcolmson</i>	<i>Donnelly</i>	<i>Fleming</i>	<i>Sims</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Bailey</i>	<i>Chen</i>	<i>Greene</i>
<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Lore</i>	<i>Rankin</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Kang</i>	<i>Alexis</i>	<i>Ralston</i>	<i>Coulter</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Routley</i>	<i>Sharma</i>	<i>Glumac</i>
<i>Dean</i>	<i>Whiteside</i>	<i>Routledge</i>	<i>Dykeman</i>
<i>Cullen</i>	<i>Conroy</i>	<i>Sandhu</i>	<i>Mercier</i>
<i>Ma</i>	<i>Farnworth</i>		

NAYS—26

*Cadioux
Bernier
Halford
Milobar
Bond
de Jong
Tegart*

*Stone
Oakes
Morris
Stewart
Sturdy
Wilkinson
Ross*

*Paton
Rustad
Kyllo
Wat
Doerkson
Merrifield*

*Kirkpatrick
Banman
Letnick
Clovechok
Furstenau
Olsen*

Clause 6 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 7 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 8 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

On clause 9 of Bill (No. 22).

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 6.52 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Thursday, November 4, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Doerkson*.

On the motion of Mr. *Sturdy*, Bill (No. M 205) intituled *British Columbia Transit Amendment Act, 2021* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *R. Chouhan* (Speaker) tabled the Police Complaint Commissioner Annual Report, 2020/2021.

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

That *Pam Alexis* substitute for *Jagrup Brar* as a Member of the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services.

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 22) intituled *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2021* was again committed.

On clause 9 of Bill (No. 22).

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.58 a.m.

Thursday, November 4, 2021

ONE O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *N. Simons* made a personal statement.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 22) intituled *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2021* was again committed.

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

Clause 10 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 11 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 12 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 13 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 14 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 15 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 16 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

On clause 17 of Bill (No. 22).

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. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Monday, November 15, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Russell*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

19 By leave, Ms. *Kirkpatrick* moved—

Be it resolved that this House recognize the importance of parents being directly involved in the care of a child.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.04 p.m.

Monday, November 15, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *D. Eby* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for 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. 30) intituled *Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act, 2021* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
November 5, 2021.

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 and Minister Responsible for 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. 20) intituled *Access to Services (COVID-19) Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
November 9, 2021.

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. K. Conroy (Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development) 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. 28) intituled *Forest Amendment Act, 2021* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
November 10, 2021.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

Order called for “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

Ms. Routledge presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services, Report on the Budget 2022 Consultation, for the Second Session of the Forty-second Parliament (Second), November 2021.

The Report was taken as read and received.

By leave, Ms. Routledge moved that the Report be adopted.

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Bill (No. 24) intituled *Environmental Management Amendment Act, 2021* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 5 and the title of Bill (No. 24) passed.

Bill (No. 24) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 23) intituled *Forests Statutes Amendment Act, 2021* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 13 of Bill (No. 23) passed.

On clause 14 of Bill (No. 23).

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. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, November 16, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by the Hon. *S. Malcolmson*.

On the motion of Ms. *Cadieux*, Bill (No. M 206) intituled *Building Amendment Act, 2021* 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."

The Hon. *M. Rankin* (Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation) made a ministerial statement regarding Louis Riel Day.

Mr. *Milobar* made a statement.

Mr. *Olsen* made a statement.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *R. Chouhan* (Speaker) tabled the Auditor General Report, Ensuring Long-Distance Ground Transportation in Northern B.C., November 2021.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 20) intituled *Access to Services (COVID-19) Act*, a debate arose.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.54 a.m.

Tuesday, November 16, 2021

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. 20) intituled *Access to Services (COVID-19) Act*.

The debate continued.

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

Bill (No. 23) intituled *Forests Statutes Amendment Act, 2021* was again committed.

Clauses 14 through 32 of Bill (No. 23) passed.

On clause 33 of Bill (No. 23).

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. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Wednesday, November 17, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Alexis*.

The Hon. *D. Eby* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for 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. 29) intituled *Interpretation Amendment Act, 2021* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
November 10, 2021.

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 and Minister Responsible for 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. 18) intituled *Human Rights Code Amendment Act, 2021* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
September 24, 2021.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *J. Osborne* (Minister of Municipal Affairs) tabled the Islands Trust Annual Report, 2020/21.

Mr. *Milobar* asked leave, pursuant to Standing Order 35, to move adjournment of the House to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, the B.C. Government's response to the emergency flooding and landslide situation across the province.

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* made representations.

Ms. *Furstenau* made representations.

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

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

GENERAL

1. That the House be authorized to sit in two sections, designated Section A and Section B, to be subject to the rules that follow.
2. That Section A sit in such committee room as may be designated from time to time, and that Section B sit in the Legislative Chamber.
3. That Section A be authorized to consider bills at committee stage after second reading thereof, and for all purposes be deemed to be a Committee of the Whole House, and that the Standing Orders relating to the consideration of bills in a Committee of the Whole House be applicable to such proceedings.
4. That Section A and Section B be authorized to examine any public bill appearing on the Orders of the Day at committee stage, which may be considered in the order determined by the Government House Leader in accordance with Standing Order 27 (2).
5. That bills previously referred to a designated Section may at any time be subsequently referred to another designated Section, as determined by the Government House Leader in accordance with Standing Order 27 (2).

COMPOSITION

6. That the Deputy Chair of the Committee of the Whole or their designate preside in Section A.
7. That Section A consist of 11 Members, not including the Chair, being seven Members of the Government Caucus, three Members of the Official Opposition Caucus, and one Member of the Third Party Caucus.
8. That the Members of Section A be: the Minister who is in charge of the bill under consideration and Hon. *Lisa Beare*, *Garry Begg*, *Bob D'Eith*, Hon. *Mike Farnworth*, Hon. *Selina Robinson*, *Niki Sharma*, *Lorne Doerkson*, *Trevor Halford*, *Karin Kirkpatrick*, and *Sonia Furstenau*.
9. That substitutions for Members of Section A be permitted with the consent of the Member's Caucus Whip, where applicable, or otherwise with the consent of the Member.
10. That Section B be composed of all Members of the House.

DIVISIONS

11. That, when a division is requested in Section A, the division bells be rung four times and the division proceed in accordance with Standing Order 16.
12. That, when a division is requested in Section B, the division bells be rung three times, at which time proceedings in Section A shall be suspended, and the division proceed in accordance with Standing Order 16.
13. That, if a division is underway in Section A at the time that a division is requested in Section B, notwithstanding Standing Order 16 (2), the division in Section B shall proceed 10 minutes after it is requested.

REPORTING

14. That, at 15 minutes prior to the ordinary time fixed for adjournment of the House, the Chair of Section A shall report to the House.

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 28) intituled *Forest Amendment Act, 2021*, a debate arose.

On the motion of Mr. *Rustad*, the debate was adjourned to later today.

The Speaker advised the House that agreement had been reached amongst all caucuses for debate on the definite matter of urgent public importance raised earlier today by Mr. *Milobar* to commence at 1 o'clock p.m. tomorrow pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 35.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 28) intituled *Forest Amendment Act, 2021*.

The debate continued.

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

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

A proposed amendment by Ms. *Furstenau* to clause 1 of Bill (No. 20) was defeated.

Clauses 1 through 3 of Bill (No. 20) passed.

On clause 4 of Bill (No. 20).

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported progress on Bill (No. 20) intituled *Access to Services (COVID-19) Act* and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 6.49 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Thursday, November 18, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Singh*.

Order called for “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

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

Bill (No. 23) intituled *Forests Statutes Amendment Act, 2021* was again committed.

On clause 33 of Bill (No. 23).

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

On clause 17 of Bill (No. 22).

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported progress on Bill (No. 22) intituled *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2021* and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.54 a.m.

Thursday, November 18, 2021

ONE O’CLOCK P.M.

By agreement as announced by the Speaker on November 17, 2021, and pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 35, debate on the definite matter of urgent public importance raised yesterday by Mr. *Milobar* was permitted to proceed.

By leave, Mr. *Milobar* moved—

That, pursuant to Standing Order 35, the House do now adjourn for the purpose of discussing a matter of definite and urgent public importance—specifically, the response of the Government of British Columbia to the emergency flooding and landslide situation that has unfolded across our province.

A debate arose.

By leave, the debate continued beyond the hour prescribed in Standing Order 35 (8).

Mr. *Stone* sought leave to suspend the provisions of Standing Order 35 (8) to permit further debate on the motion.

Leave not granted.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

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

Bill (No. 23) intituled *Forests Statutes Amendment Act, 2021* was again committed.

Mr. *Rustad* moved a proposed amendment to clause 33 of Bill (No. 23) which was defeated on the following division:

NAYS—43

<i>Walker</i>	<i>Ma</i>	<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Begg</i>
<i>Babchuk</i>	<i>Chow</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	<i>R. Singh</i>
<i>Simons</i>	<i>A. Singh</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>D'Eith</i>
<i>Popham</i>	<i>Starchuk</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>Sims</i>
<i>Malcolmson</i>	<i>Donnelly</i>	<i>Osborne</i>	<i>Greene</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Lore</i>	<i>Fleming</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Alexis</i>	<i>Sharma</i>	<i>Leonard</i>
<i>Kang</i>	<i>Routley</i>	<i>Routledge</i>	<i>Yao</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Whiteside</i>	<i>Paddon</i>	<i>Dykeman</i>
<i>Dean</i>	<i>Heyman</i>	<i>Elmore</i>	<i>Mercier</i>
<i>Cullen</i>	<i>Conroy</i>	<i>Brar</i>	

YEAS—22

<i>Cadioux</i>	<i>Stone</i>	<i>Rustad</i>	<i>Shypitka</i>
<i>Bernier</i>	<i>Oakes</i>	<i>Kyllo</i>	<i>Banman</i>
<i>Halford</i>	<i>Morris</i>	<i>Wat</i>	<i>Letnick</i>
<i>Milobar</i>	<i>Sturdy</i>	<i>Doerkson</i>	<i>Clovechok</i>
<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Wilkinson</i>	<i>Kirkpatrick</i>	<i>Olsen</i>
<i>Tegart</i>	<i>Paton</i>		

On clause 33 of Bill (No. 23).

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

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

Clause 17 of Bill (No. 22) passed on the following division:

YEAS—6

<i>Beare</i>	<i>Sharma</i>	<i>D'Eith</i>	<i>Mercier</i>
<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Begg</i>		

NAYS—4

<i>Bernier</i>	<i>Stone</i>	<i>Morris</i>	<i>Furstenau</i>
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On clause 18 of Bill (No. 22).

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported progress on Bill (No. 22) intituled *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2021* and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.24 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Monday, November 22, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Banman*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

20 By leave, Ms. *Elmore* moved—

Be it resolved that this House reaffirm our commitment to fighting sexism and misogyny as we recognize the 30th anniversary of the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence campaign and beyond.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.01 p.m.

Monday, November 22, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *D. Eby* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing) tabled the Report on Multiculturalism, 2020/2021.

The Hon. *S. Robinson* (Minister of Finance) tabled the Second Quarterly Report, November 2021.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 18) intituled *Human Rights Code Amendment Act, 2021*, a debate arose.

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 29) intituled *Interpretation Amendment Act, 2021*, a debate arose.

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 30) intituled *Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act, 2021*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 30) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 20) intituled *Access to Services (COVID-19) Act* was again committed.

Clauses 4 through 8 and the title of Bill (No. 20) passed.

Bill (No. 20) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

Clause 18 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 19 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 20 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

A proposed amendment by the Hon. *L. Beare* (Minister of Citizens' Services) on the Order Paper to clause 21 of Bill (No. 22) passed.

On clause 21, as amended, of Bill (No. 22).

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported progress on Bill (No. 22) intituled *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2021* and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 28) intituled *Forest Amendment Act, 2021*.

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

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

Mr. *Olsen* moved a proposed amendment to clause 33 of Bill (No. 23) which was defeated on the following division:

		NAYS — 7	
<i>Chow</i>	<i>Conroy</i>	<i>Paddon</i>	<i>Mercier</i>
<i>Lore</i>	<i>Routledge</i>	<i>Begg</i>	
		YEAS — 4	
<i>Cadieux</i>	<i>Morris</i>	<i>Doerkson</i>	<i>Furstenau</i>

On clause 33 of Bill (No. 23).

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported progress on Bill (No. 23) intituled *Forests Statutes Amendment Act, 2021* and asked leave to sit again.

Bill 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. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, November 23, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Stone*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

The Speaker made a statement recognizing *Susan Sourial*, Clerk Assistant, Committees and Interparliamentary Relations, for her years of dedicated service and offered congratulations on her upcoming retirement.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* (Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General and Deputy Premier) tabled the Gaming Policy and Enforcement Branch Annual Report, 2020/21.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

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

Bill (No. 30) intituled *Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act, 2021* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 4 of Bill (No. 30) passed.

Clause 5 of Bill (No. 30) passed, on division.

Clauses 6 through 10 and the title of Bill (No. 30) passed.

Bill (No. 30) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 18) intituled *Human Rights Code Amendment Act, 2021* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 3 and the title of Bill (No. 18) passed.

Bill (No. 18) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

On clause 33 of Bill (No. 23).

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported progress on Bill (No. 23) intituled *Forests Statutes Amendment Act, 2021* and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

Tuesday, November 23, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* moved—

1. That, pursuant to Standing Order 81.1 (2), all remaining stages of consideration of the following bills before the House be disposed of prior to the conclusion of the afternoon sitting on Tuesday, November 23, 2021:

- a. Bill (No. 23) intituled *Forests Statutes Amendment Act, 2021*.
- b. Bill (No. 29) intituled *Interpretation Amendment Act, 2021*.

2. That, pursuant to Standing Order 81.1 (2), the question on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 28) intituled *Forest Amendment Act, 2021*, and the question on any motion in amendment thereto, be put by 5.15 p.m. on Tuesday, November 23, 2021, without further amendment or debate, and that, if a division is called, it shall proceed forthwith in accordance with Standing Order 16 (2).

3. That, if at 6.00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 23, 2021, any bill listed under section 1 is still being considered at Committee stage, the Chair shall forthwith put the question on all remaining clauses and the title of the bill, without further amendment or debate, which shall be deemed passed and which shall not be subject to a formal division call, but which may be taken in accordance with Practice Recommendation No. 1. Once the title of the bill has passed, the Committee shall rise and the Chair shall forthwith report the bill complete with or without amendment, as the case may be, to the House.

4. That, by 6.15 p.m. on Tuesday, November 23, 2021, notwithstanding Standing Order 80, Standing Order 81, or any Standing Order or Sessional Order relating to the times and days of the sittings of the House, the question on all remaining stages of consideration of any bill listed under section 1 shall be put forthwith without amendment or debate.

5. That, if a division is called on the motion for third reading of any bill listed under section 1, the division shall proceed forthwith in accordance with Standing Order 16 (2).

6. That, pursuant to Standing Order 81.1 (2), all remaining stages of consideration of the following bills before the House be disposed of by 5.00 p.m. on Thursday, November 25, 2021:

- a. Bill (No. 22) intituled *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2021*.
- b. Bill (No. 28) intituled *Forest Amendment Act, 2021*.

7. That, if at 4.30 p.m. on Thursday, November 25, 2021, any bill listed under section 6 is still being considered at Committee stage, the Chair shall forthwith put the question on all remaining clauses and the title of the bill, without further amendment or debate, which shall be deemed passed and which

shall not be subject to a formal division call, but which may be taken in accordance with Practice Recommendation No. 1. Once the title of the bill has passed, the Committee shall rise and the Chair shall forthwith report the bill complete with or without amendment, as the case may be, to the House.

8. That, notwithstanding section 7, if at 4.30 p.m. on Thursday, November 25, 2021, the Committee has not considered the amendments to Bill (No. 22) standing on the Order Paper in the name of the Minister of Citizens' Services, they shall be dealt with as follows:

- a. Clause 36 shall be deemed defeated.
- b. The amendment to clause 48 shall be deemed to have passed, and clause 48, as amended, shall be deemed to have passed.

9. That, by 4.45 p.m. on Thursday, November 25, 2021, notwithstanding Standing Order 80, Standing Order 81, or any Standing Order or Sessional Order relating to the times and days of the sittings of the House, the question on all remaining stages of consideration of any bill listed under section 6 shall be put forthwith without amendment or debate.

10. That, if a division is called on the motion for third reading of any bill listed under section 6, the division shall proceed forthwith in accordance with Standing Order 16 (2).

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—51

Chandra Herbert
Rice
Walker
Babchuk
Simons
Malcolmson
Beare
Mark
Kahlon
Kang
Bains
Dean
Cullen

Ma
Chow
Russell
Starchuk
Anderson
Donnelly
Bailey
Lore
Routley
Whiteside
Heyman
Conroy
Farnworth

Robinson
Eby
Osborne
Fleming
Chen
Rankin
Ralston
Sharma
Routledge
Paddon
Sandhu
Elmore
Brar

Begg
R. Singh
D'Eith
Sims
Greene
Chant
Leonard
Coulter
Glumac
Yao
Dykeman
Mercier

NAYS—26

Cadieux
Bernier
Halford
Milobar
Bond
de Jong
Tegart

Stone
Davies
Oakes
Morris
Stewart
Sturdy
Wilkinson

Rustad
Kyllo
Wat
Doerkson
Kirkpatrick
Shypitka

Banman
Ashton
Letnick
Clovechok
Furstenau
Olsen

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 28) intituled *Forest Amendment Act, 2021*.

Mr. *Stone* moved the following amendment—

That the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 28) intituled *Forest Amendment Act, 2021* be amended by deleting the word "now" and substituting "six months hence."

The debate on the amendment continued.

Pursuant to the time allocation motion adopted earlier today, all necessary questions for the disposal of second reading of Bill (No. 28) and any motion in amendment thereto were put.

The amendment on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 28) was negatived, on the following division:

NAYS—52

<i>Rice</i>	<i>Ma</i>	<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Elmore</i>
<i>Walker</i>	<i>Chow</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Brar</i>
<i>Babchuk</i>	<i>Russell</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>Begg</i>
<i>Simons</i>	<i>Starchuk</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>D'Eith</i>
<i>Popham</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Osborne</i>	<i>Sims</i>
<i>Malcolmson</i>	<i>Donnelly</i>	<i>Fleming</i>	<i>Greene</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Bailey</i>	<i>Chen</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Mark</i>	<i>Lore</i>	<i>Rankin</i>	<i>Leonard</i>
<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Alexis</i>	<i>Ralston</i>	<i>Coulter</i>
<i>Kang</i>	<i>Routley</i>	<i>Sharma</i>	<i>Glumac</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Whiteside</i>	<i>Routledge</i>	<i>Yao</i>
<i>Dean</i>	<i>Heyman</i>	<i>Paddon</i>	<i>Dykeman</i>
<i>Cullen</i>	<i>Conroy</i>	<i>Sandhu</i>	<i>Mercier</i>

YEAS—28

<i>Cadioux</i>	<i>Davies</i>	<i>Paton</i>	<i>Shypitka</i>
<i>Bernier</i>	<i>Oakes</i>	<i>Rustad</i>	<i>Banman</i>
<i>Halford</i>	<i>Morris</i>	<i>Kyllo</i>	<i>Ashton</i>
<i>Milobar</i>	<i>Stewart</i>	<i>Wat</i>	<i>Letnick</i>
<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Sturdy</i>	<i>Doerkson</i>	<i>Clovechok</i>
<i>Tegart</i>	<i>Wilkinson</i>	<i>Merrifield</i>	<i>Furstenau</i>
<i>Stone</i>	<i>Ross</i>	<i>Kirkpatrick</i>	<i>Olsen</i>

The debate resumed on the main motion.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—54

<i>Rice</i>	<i>Chow</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>Begg</i>
<i>Walker</i>	<i>Russell</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>D'Eith</i>
<i>Babchuk</i>	<i>Starchuk</i>	<i>Osborne</i>	<i>Sims</i>
<i>Simons</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Fleming</i>	<i>Greene</i>
<i>Popham</i>	<i>Donnelly</i>	<i>Chen</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Malcolmson</i>	<i>Bailey</i>	<i>Rankin</i>	<i>Leonard</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Lore</i>	<i>Ralston</i>	<i>Coulter</i>
<i>Mark</i>	<i>Alexis</i>	<i>Sharma</i>	<i>Glumac</i>
<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Routley</i>	<i>Routledge</i>	<i>Yao</i>
<i>Kang</i>	<i>Whiteside</i>	<i>Paddon</i>	<i>Dykeman</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Heyman</i>	<i>Sandhu</i>	<i>Mercier</i>
<i>Dean</i>	<i>Conroy</i>	<i>Elmore</i>	<i>Furstenau</i>
<i>Cullen</i>	<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Brar</i>	<i>Olsen</i>
<i>Ma</i>	<i>Robinson</i>		

NAYS—26

Cadieux
Bernier
Halford
Milobar
de Jong
Tegart
Stone

Davies
Oakes
Morris
Stewart
Sturdy
Wilkinson
Ross

Paton
Rustad
Kyllo
Wat
Doerkson
Merrifield

Kirkpatrick
Shypitka
Banman
Ashton
Letnick
Clovechok

Bill (No. 28) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 29) intituled *Interpretation Amendment Act, 2021* was committed.

Pursuant to the time allocation motion adopted earlier today, all necessary questions for the disposal of Committee stage of Bill (No. 29) were put and deemed to have passed.

Clauses 1 and 2 and the title of Bill (No. 29) passed.

Pursuant to the time allocation motion adopted earlier today, all necessary questions for the disposal of all remaining stages of Bill (No. 29) were put.

Bill (No. 29) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 22) intituled *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2021* was again committed.

On clause 21 as amended of Bill (No. 22).

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

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

Clause 33 of Bill (No. 23) passed on the following division:

YEAS—7

Walker
Babchuk

Malcolmson
Bailey

Alexis
Conroy

Ralston

NAYS—4

Cadieux

Wilkinson

Kirkpatrick

Furstenau

Clause 34 of Bill (No. 23) passed.

Pursuant to the time allocation motion adopted earlier today, all necessary questions for the disposal of Committee stage of Bill (No. 23) were put and deemed to have passed.

Clauses 35 through 111 and the title of Bill (No. 23) passed.

The motion that the Committee rise and report Bill (No. 23) complete without amendment was agreed to, on division.

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported Bill (No. 23) intituled *Forests Statutes Amendment Act, 2021* complete without amendment.

Pursuant to the time allocation motion adopted earlier today, all necessary questions for the disposal of all remaining stages of Bill (No. 23) were put.

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 23) the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—56

Chandra Herbert
Rice
Walker
Babchuk
Simons
Popham
Malcolmson
Beare
Mark
Kahlon
Kang
Bains
Dean
Cullen

Ma
Chow
Russell
Starchuk
Anderson
Donnelly
Bailey
Lore
Alexis
Routley
Whiteside
Heyman
Conroy
Farnworth

Robinson
Eby
Dix
Osborne
Fleming
Chen
Rankin
Ralston
Sharma
Routledge
Paddon
Sandhu
Elmore
Brar

Begg
R. Singh
D'Eith
Sims
Greene
Chant
Leonard
Coulter
Glumac
Yao
Dykeman
Mercier
Furstenau
Olsen

NAYS—27

Cadieux
Bernier
Halford
Milobar
Bond
de Jong
Tegart

Stone
Davies
Oakes
Morris
Stewart
Sturdy
Wilkinson

Ross
Paton
Rustad
Kyllo
Wat
Doerkson
Merrifield

Kirkpatrick
Shypitka
Banman
Ashton
Letnick
Clovechok

Bill (No. 23) was read a third time and passed.

And then the House adjourned at 6.28 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Wednesday, November 24, 2021

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Tegart*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

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

Bill (No. 28) intituled *Forest Amendment Act, 2021* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 17 of Bill (No. 28) passed.

On clause 18 of Bill (No. 28).

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

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

On clause 21 as amended of Bill (No. 22).

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported progress on Bill (No. 22) intituled *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2021* and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 6.52 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Thursday, November 25, 2021

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Kyllo*.

Mr. *Milobar* made a statement recognizing Ms. *Bond*'s contributions as Leader of the Official Opposition.

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* made a statement.

Ms. *Furstenau* made a statement.

The Speaker made a statement recognizing Greg Nelson, Acting Deputy Sergeant-at-Arms, for his years of dedicated service and offered congratulations on his upcoming retirement.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *D. Eby* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing) tabled the Civil Resolution Tribunal Annual Report, 2020/2021.

By leave, the Hon. *M. Farnworth* tabled the 2022 Parliamentary Calendar.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

And then the House adjourned at 11.45 a.m.

Thursday, November 25, 2021

ONE O'CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

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

Bill (No. 28) intituled *Forest Amendment Act, 2021* was again committed.

Clauses 18 through 61 of Bill (No. 28) passed.

Pursuant to the time allocation motion adopted on November 23, 2021, all necessary questions for the disposal of Committee stage of Bill (No. 28) were put and deemed to have passed.

Clause 62 of Bill (No. 28) passed, on division.

Clause 63 of Bill (No. 28) passed, on division.

Clauses 64 through 75 and the title of Bill (No. 28) passed.

The motion that the Committee rise and report Bill (No. 28) complete without amendment was agreed to, on division.

Pursuant to the time allocation motion adopted on November 23, 2021, all necessary questions for the disposal of all remaining stages of Bill (No. 28) were put.

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 28) the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—50

<i>Chandra Herbert</i>	<i>Chow</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>R. Singh</i>
<i>Walker</i>	<i>A. Singh</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>D'Eith</i>
<i>Simons</i>	<i>Russell</i>	<i>Osborne</i>	<i>Sims</i>
<i>Popham</i>	<i>Starchuk</i>	<i>Fleming</i>	<i>Greene</i>
<i>Malcolmson</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Rankin</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Bailey</i>	<i>Sharma</i>	<i>Leonard</i>
<i>Mark</i>	<i>Lore</i>	<i>Routledge</i>	<i>Coulter</i>
<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Alexis</i>	<i>Paddon</i>	<i>Glumac</i>
<i>Kang</i>	<i>Routley</i>	<i>Sandhu</i>	<i>Yao</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Whiteside</i>	<i>Elmore</i>	<i>Dykeman</i>
<i>Dean</i>	<i>Heyman</i>	<i>Brar</i>	<i>Mercier</i>
<i>Cullen</i>	<i>Conroy</i>	<i>Begg</i>	<i>Furstenau</i>
<i>Ma</i>	<i>Farnworth</i>		

NAYS—23

<i>Cadioux</i>	<i>Davies</i>	<i>Rustad</i>	<i>Shypitka</i>
<i>Halford</i>	<i>Oakes</i>	<i>Kyllo</i>	<i>Banman</i>
<i>Milobar</i>	<i>Morris</i>	<i>Wat</i>	<i>Ashton</i>
<i>Bond</i>	<i>Stewart</i>	<i>Doerkson</i>	<i>Letnick</i>
<i>Tegart</i>	<i>Sturdy</i>	<i>Merrifield</i>	<i>Clovechok</i>
<i>Stone</i>	<i>Wilkinson</i>	<i>Kirkpatrick</i>	

Bill (No. 28) was read a third time and passed.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

Clause 21 as amended of Bill (No. 22) passed on the following division:

YEAS—7			
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>Begg</i>	<i>Greene</i>
<i>Cullen</i>	<i>Paddon</i>	<i>Sims</i>	
NAYS—4			
<i>Stone</i>	<i>Wilkinson</i>	<i>Banman</i>	<i>Olsen</i>

Clause 22 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 23 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 24 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 25 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 26 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 27 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 28 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 29 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 30 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 31 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 32 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 33 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 34 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 35 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 36 of Bill (No. 22) was defeated.

Clause 37 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 38 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 39 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 40 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Mr. *Stone* moved a proposed amendment to clause 41 of Bill (No. 22) which was defeated on the following division:

NAYS—7

Beare
*Chow**Lore*
*Routley**Sandhu*
*Begg**Yao*

YEAS—4

*Stone**Oakes**Banman**Olsen*

Clause 41 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 42 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 43 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 44 of Bill (No. 22) passed on the following division:

YEAS—7

Beare
*Bains**Starchuk*
*Sharma**Begg*
*D'Eith**Glumac*

NAYS—4

*Stone**Kirkpatrick**Banman**Furstenau*

Clause 45 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Pursuant to the time allocation motion adopted on November 23, 2021, all necessary questions for the disposal of Committee stage of Bill (No. 22) were put and deemed to have passed.

Clause 46 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 47 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Pursuant to the time allocation motion adopted on November 23, 2021, a proposed amendment by the Hon. *L. Beare* (Minister of Citizens' Services) on the Order Paper to clause 48 of Bill (No. 22) was deemed to have passed.

Clause 48 as amended of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 49 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 50 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 51 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 52 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 53 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 54 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 55 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 56 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 57 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 58 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 59 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 60 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 61 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 62 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 63 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 64 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 65 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 66 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 67 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 68 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 69 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 70 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 71 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 72 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 73 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

Clause 74 of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

The title of Bill (No. 22) passed, on division.

The motion that the Committee rise and report Bill (No. 22) complete with amendment was agreed to, on division.

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported Bill (No. 22) intituled *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2021* complete with amendment.

Pursuant to the time allocation motion adopted on November 23, 2021, all necessary questions for the disposal of all remaining stages of Bill (No. 22) were put.

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 22) the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—49

<i>Chandra Herbert</i>	<i>Chow</i>	<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Begg</i>
<i>Walker</i>	<i>A. Singh</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>R. Singh</i>
<i>Simons</i>	<i>Russell</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>D'Eith</i>
<i>Popham</i>	<i>Starchuk</i>	<i>Osborne</i>	<i>Sims</i>
<i>Malcolmson</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Fleming</i>	<i>Greene</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Bailey</i>	<i>Rankin</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Mark</i>	<i>Lore</i>	<i>Sharma</i>	<i>Leonard</i>
<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Alexis</i>	<i>Routledge</i>	<i>Coulter</i>
<i>Kang</i>	<i>Routley</i>	<i>Paddon</i>	<i>Glumac</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Whiteside</i>	<i>Sandhu</i>	<i>Yao</i>
<i>Dean</i>	<i>Heyman</i>	<i>Elmore</i>	<i>Dykeman</i>
<i>Cullen</i>	<i>Conroy</i>	<i>Brar</i>	<i>Mercier</i>
<i>Ma</i>			

NAYS—24

<i>Cadieux</i>	<i>Davies</i>	<i>Rustad</i>	<i>Shypitka</i>
<i>Halford</i>	<i>Oakes</i>	<i>Kyllo</i>	<i>Banman</i>
<i>Milobar</i>	<i>Morris</i>	<i>Wat</i>	<i>Ashton</i>
<i>Bond</i>	<i>Stewart</i>	<i>Doerkson</i>	<i>Letnick</i>
<i>Tegart</i>	<i>Sturdy</i>	<i>Merrifield</i>	<i>Clovechok</i>
<i>Stone</i>	<i>Wilkinson</i>	<i>Kirkpatrick</i>	<i>Furstenau</i>

Bill (No. 22) was read a third time and passed.

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. 17) *Protected Areas of British Columbia Amendment Act, 2021*.

Bill (No. 18) *Human Rights Code Amendment Act, 2021*.

Bill (No. 20) *Access to Services (COVID-19) Act*.

Bill (No. 22) *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2021*.

Bill (No. 23) *Forests Statutes Amendment Act, 2021*.

Bill (No. 24) *Environmental Management Amendment Act, 2021*.

Bill (No. 25) *Education Statutes Amendment Act, 2021*.

Bill (No. 26) *Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2021*.

Bill (No. 27) *Election Amendment Act, 2021*.

Bill (No. 28) *Forest Amendment Act, 2021*.

Bill (No. 29) *Interpretation Amendment Act, 2021*.

Bill (No. 30) *Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act, 2021*.

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.

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 Second Session of the Forty-second 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 and shall table it for it to be printed in the Votes and Proceedings of the House at the next sitting.

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 her stead for the purpose of this order.

Motion agreed to.

And then the House adjourned at 5.14 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, February 8, 2022

TWELVE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Singh*.

The Hon. *R. Chouhan* (Speaker) tabled the following documents:

Auditor General Report, Fraud Risk Management Survey Report, 2020/21, Revised, November 2021;

Legislative Assembly Management Committee Accountability Report, 2020-21, January 2022;

Merit Commissioner Report, Merit Performance Audit Report, 2020/21, December 2021;

Ombudsperson Public Report No. 53, A Bid for Fairness: How \$10,000 in Property Tax Debt Led to a Vulnerable Person Losing Their Home, December 2021; and,

Report pursuant to the *COVID-19 Related Measures Act* (S.B.C. 2020, c. 8), regarding Order in Council No. 726, Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing, December 24, 2021.

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:

Honourable Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

In closing this Second Session of the Forty-second Parliament of British Columbia, on behalf of all British Columbians, I note that in this session we enacted 30 bills covering areas of substance and importance to the people of this Province. I wish to express my appreciation for the care and attention you have given to your deliberations and the service you have provided to our great and beautiful province. I now relieve you of your duties. *Splendor sine occasu*.

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

The Hon. D. Eby (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing) then said:

Honourable Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

It is Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor's will and pleasure that the Legislative Assembly be prorogued until 2 p.m. today, and this Legislative Assembly is hereby prorogued accordingly.

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

British Columbia Securities Commission Annual Service Plan Report, 2020/21, Revised, August 2021; and,

Real Estate Council of British Columbia Annual Service Plan Report, 2021/22.

And then the House prorogued at 12.11 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

PROCLAMATION

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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 whom these presents shall come — GREETING

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

A PROCLAMATION

KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving subjects, We have thought fit to prorogue Our said Legislature or Parliament on the eighth day of February, two thousand twenty-two at 12 o'clock in the afternoon at Our City of Victoria.

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

WITNESS, The Honourable JANET AUSTIN, Lieutenant Governor of Our Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our Province, this third day of February, two thousand twenty-two and in the seventieth year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND.