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Territorial acknowledgement by Eugene Sam, Songhees Nation.

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

This being the first day of the third 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 3rd day of February, 2022, 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

Good afternoon, Mr. Speaker and Honourable Members. Premier, welcome back. We are so pleased to see you here today.

Thanks to Shirley Alphonse for the traditional blessing, and to Eugene Sam for providing the territorial acknowledgement — starting us off in a good way.

I would like to begin by acknowledging the Lekwungen peoples, the Songhees and Esquimalt Nations, upon whose territories we are gathered today.

It is my honour to deliver The Speech from the Throne, outlining your government's plans to build a stronger B.C. by continuing to help people get through these challenging times. British Columbians have endured a year unlike any other.

From rebuilding after the fires and floods.

To getting through this difficult wave of the global pandemic. To building the strongest economic recovery in Canada.

We have shown we can accomplish anything by working together.

Though we have much work to do, brighter days are ahead.

QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE

This year we celebrate Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee.

For 70 years, Her Majesty has served Canada and the Commonwealth with steadfast purpose, dignity, wisdom and grace.

Queen Elizabeth II holds a special place in the hearts of many.

She has been present for many important moments in our province's history.

Including B.C.'s Centennial celebration in 1971, the ground-breaking of Canada Place in 1983, the Commonwealth Games in Victoria in 1994, and her most recent visit in celebration of the Golden Jubilee in 2002.

Her Majesty's ambition to conserve forests for future generations has resulted in B.C.'s jewel, the Great Bear Rainforest, being placed under the Queen's Commonwealth Canopy.

We are grateful to Her Majesty for her lifetime of service and the Platinum Jubilee is an opportunity to honour her commitment and dedication as Queen of Canada.

IN MEMORIAM

As has become our tradition, we open the third session of the 42nd Parliament by remembering some of the prominent British Columbians we have lost over the last year.

First, let us pause to reflect on the thousands of British Columbians who were taken too soon this year by COVID-19, the toxic drug supply, and extreme weather events caused by the climate crisis — including this summer's heat dome.

We also mourn Indigenous leaders: Ron George, Jack Planes, Sophie Ogen, Bill Blackwater Jr., Edwin Newman, Lillian Howard, Sarah Robinson, and Earl Muldon — named in the landmark Delgamuukw-Gisday'wa decision.

We mourn philanthropists, including Asa Singh Johal and humanitarians, including Shashi Assanand.

We mourn labour activist Soren Bech, landscape architect Cornelia Oberlander, wildlife conservationist Ray Demarchi, environmentalist Norm Fletcher, North Shore Rescue co-founder Karl Winter, United We Can co-founder Ken Lyotier, and Cherry Kingsley, an advocate for sexually exploited youth.

We mourn sports figures, including baseball's Amanda Asay, Olympic champion rower Donald Arnold, and sportswriter Kent Gilchrist.

We mourn those from medicine and health care, including Dr. Madeline Chung — who delivered more than 7,000 babies as the province's first woman obstetrician and gynecologist, as well as the first of Chinese descent.

We mourn those elected members who once served in this legislature: Thomas Waterland, David Mercier, Gerry Strongman, Allan Warnke, Daniel Jarvis, Frank Mitchell, and Thomas Berger.

We also mourn local leaders, like former mayors Philip Owen of Vancouver, Graeme Roberts of Nanaimo, and Michael Coleman of Duncan.

We mourn many in arts and culture, among them theatre's Norman Young, writer Lee Maracle, jazz guitarist Jim Kilburn, violinist Jeanne Lamon, the artists Jo Manning and Johnson Su-sing Chow, and the poet Phyllis Webb. Their works live on.

To everyone who has lost a loved one in the past year, we acknowledge and share in your grief.

RECONCILIATION WITH INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

Grief marked our year in profound ways.

We were horrified and heartbroken to learn that 215 children were buried in unmarked graves on the ground of the former Kamloops Residential School.

Soon after we learned of other mass grave sites, including 182 in Cranbrook and 160 on Penelakut Island.

Most recently, preliminary findings of another 93 potential burial sites near Williams Lake. These are not numbers.

Each one is a child with a name, forever taken from their family and their community that loved them.

While the consequences of these atrocities continue to this day, the healing is beginning.

The former residential school in Lower Post has been demolished to make way for a new multi-purpose community cultural centre.

Your government is working to address the over-representation of Indigenous kids in B.C.'s child welfare system and to return Indigenous peoples' inherent jurisdiction over child welfare.

New partnerships are also starting to address the disproportionate representation of Indigenous Peoples in the criminal justice system.

And landmark reforms are ensuring First Nations share meaningfully in the prosperity of the land they have lived on since time immemorial.

This is a step towards reconciliation.

It is a core principle that will continue to guide every decision your government makes.

This session, your government will build on the historic, unanimous passage of the *Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act* in this legislature — working to implement an action plan drafted in collaboration with Indigenous Peoples.

It will not always be easy, and we have a long way to go.

But we can work to heal the wounds of the past and build a better future if we move forward together, in partnership.

PUTTING PEOPLE FIRST

To say the last year has been challenging would be an understatement.

Extreme weather events claimed lives and devastated communities.

Our health-care system strained under the weight of not one, but two public health emergencies.

And just when life was starting to return to some sense of normalcy, a new and highly contagious variant of COVID-19 began to spread.

At a time when these same challenges have increased polarization and division around the world, people here in B.C. have pulled together.

We got vaccinated in record numbers.

We trusted science and continued listening to public health advice.

Above all, we looked out for each other when things got tough.

During the flooding, people in Surrey's Sikh community cooked meals and chartered a plane and helicopter to deliver food to those isolated.

Hundreds of road builders and engineers worked flat out in challenging conditions and allowed us to reopen the Coquihalla in remarkable time.

And throughout the pandemic, people in social services and the non-profit sector worked selflessly to support the most vulnerable.

This is who we are.

We are all aware of our natural beauty and abundant resources. But B.C.'s greatest strength is our people.

From the moment your government was first elected, the focus has been on investing in people who make our province strong.

It improved public services, and worked to bring down the cost of living.

When a global pandemic hit, it responded with bold action to support British Columbians.

It acted quickly to help keep people working, protect those who lost their jobs, and provide a lifeline to small businesses, from tourism operators to corner-store owners to taxi drivers.

And when wildfires and flooding devastated communities, your government was guided by the same values — providing help to people on the ground who needed it most.

Putting people first has helped us build the strongest economic recovery in the country.

More than 100,000 new jobs were created here last year.

In fact, more people in B.C. are working now than when the pandemic first struck.

Wages continue to rise, and child poverty has been cut by more than 50% from 2016 levels.

85,000 people moved here from other provinces and countries in the first three-quarters of last year alone.

Evidence that B.C. remains one of the best places on the planet to live and raise a family.

While your government has laid the foundation to help us come out of these challenging times stronger and more resilient, more needs to be done.

Many families are feeling squeezed, and worried about rising inflation.

Businesses and communities need help to recover and rebuild.

People are exhausted and concerned about what the future has in store.

Your government will be there for you every step of the way — as it has from day one.

Over the coming year, it will take concrete actions to support people, make life more affordable, and build an economic recovery where no one is left behind.

KEEPING PEOPLE SAFE AND HEALTHY

In the months ahead, your government's top priority will continue to be keeping people healthy and safe through the rest of the pandemic.

It can be easy to forget how far we have come.

Two years ago, the first confirmed case of the novel coronavirus had just reached Canada.

When I last addressed this legislature a year later, one million British Columbians had had their first shot of a safe and effective vaccine.

Today, more than four million people in B.C. have received at least two doses.

Thanks to the guidance of Dr. Bonnie Henry, the incredible work of our health-care heroes and everyone who rolled up their sleeves, British Columbia has one of the lowest per-capita fatality rates from COVID-19 and one of the highest vaccination rates on the continent.

We kept our health-care system going through the most challenging times it has ever seen.

We kept schools safely open.

And we came back together with family and friends.

Vaccines remain our best weapon in the fight against the virus.

Vaccinated people are many times less likely to end up in intensive care units, in the hospital or pass away from COVID-19 than unvaccinated people.

That's why your government will continue taking the next steps in the largest immunization roll out in our province's history.

This includes getting more booster shots into arms and ensuring more children age five to eleven are registered for a safe pediatric dose.

As it has from the beginning of the pandemic, B.C. will continue to have public-health experts leading our response.

PROTECTING PEOPLE AT WORK

Making sure people can stay home when they are sick is another key part of stopping the spread of COVID-19 in our communities.

For too long, many British Columbians had to choose between going to work sick or losing wages. Not anymore.

Your government made changes to ensure workers in B.C. have access to a minimum of five paid sick days every year.

The most of any province in Canada.

In the year ahead, additional actions will be taken to make workplaces in B.C. the safest in the country.

These will include improvements to workers compensation and new rules to keep workers safe from the deadly consequences of exposure to asbestos.

IMPROVING HEALTH CARE FOR PEOPLE

Even as your government has focused on managing the pandemic, it has worked to improve health care for people in every part of British Columbia.

The goal from the beginning has been to deliver better care faster and closer to where you live.

While there are still too many people in B.C. who need a family doctor and our health care system has been strained by the pandemic, important progress is being made.

New urgent and primary care centres are making it easier for people to see a doctor or other health-care professional when they need to.

Hospitals are being built, modernized and expanded throughout B.C.

Thousands of health-care workers have been hired over the last two years, 6,000 of them to care for seniors in long-term care homes or assisted living.

And we are performing more surgeries and diagnostic tests by optimizing space and investing in more MRI scanners where they are needed most.

The pandemic has shown us just how important health care is to people.

At the same time, it has exposed underlying gaps and will add long-lasting challenges.

When governments in Canada first came together to lay the foundations of universal public health care, it was a 50-50 partnership.

Today, the provinces are paying nearly 80% of health care costs.

If nothing is done, our share of the cost will keep increasing.

This is not sustainable.

As chair of the Council of the Federation, your government will continue to lead an effort to secure a renewed partnership with Ottawa on health-care investments.

This is an important opportunity to work together with other provinces and our federal partners to protect and strengthen universal public health care from coast-to-coast-to-coast.

So we can afford to continue modernizing and improving care for people.

SUPPORTING PEOPLE'S MENTAL HEALTH

The loneliness and isolation of the last two years has also taken an enormous toll on many people's mental health.

Through it all, your government has taken action to make sure more people can access the support they need.

It has increased funding for free and affordable counselling programs, made it easier to find support through enhanced virtual services, and made historic investments in treatment and recovery.

B.C. became the first province in Canada to offer a prescribed safe supply — a critical step to prevent overdoses from toxic drugs.

At the same time as your government builds up supports, it is also working to tear down the stigma that can come with addiction.

Last year, B.C. applied to the federal government to remove criminal penalties for people who possess small amounts of illicit drugs for personal use — and will continue to press for federal leadership.

There is no doubt we have much more to do.

We are building a comprehensive system of treatment and care in B.C. where one did not exist just five years ago.

In the year ahead, your government will continue this ground-breaking work.

Including investments in a new housing model to meet the needs of those with serious, complex mental-health and addiction issues whose needs have not been met with existing health and housing services in their communities.

KEEPING SCHOOLS SAFE AND OPEN

In the last two years, we have seen just how important in-person, in-class learning is for our children's mental health and intellectual growth.

Keeping schools open is essential for families.

Not just for kids, but also parents who get up every morning and go to work.

Schools provide important support for the most vulnerable kids — like meal programs. And they act as community hubs, especially in times of crisis.

That's why British Columbia was one of the first jurisdictions in the country to reopen schools and one of the few to keep them open throughout the pandemic.

New investments, strong health guidelines, and high vaccination rates mean B.C. schools are safe and supported places for school staff and students.

Ensuring kids get the best possible start in life has been a priority since the beginning.

Over the last four years, record funding for education has helped B.C. schools hire thousands of new teachers and education assistants.

In September, thousands of students returned to safer and modernized classrooms at 16 new or improved schools throughout the province.

That included Langley's Donna Gabriel Robins Elementary.

Named after a member of the Kwantlen First Nation who dedicated her career to education in the district, the school also includes 100 new child care spaces.

These investments in schools and teachers will continue to increase as enrolment grows.

BUILDING A MORE INCLUSIVE B.C.

While public services are being strengthened, your government is also making them more inclusive.

It is working to remove barriers for people living with disabilities and to provide better care, earlier, for more children with support needs.

It has ensured gender designation on provincial ID cards for two-spirit, transgender and gender-diverse people can now be changed without doctor verification.

And your government will introduce new anti-racism data legislation this session — helping to pave the way to a fairer and better delivery of services.

While our work to make B.C. more inclusive is rooted in building a stronger future for everyone, we must recognize our shared history.

In the days ahead, your government will take a major step toward establishing the first Chinese Canadian Museum in Canada.

It will be a beacon of light in Vancouver's Chinatown.

The long-overdue process to modernize the Royal BC Museum will also continue, with more details on the scope and budget to be decided in the coming months.

Once complete, the RBCM's exhibits will continue to tell the story of our past.

But it will include everyone in these stories — especially communities that were previously overlooked, ignored or left out.

MAKING LIFE MORE AFFORDABLE

In addition to strengthening public services, your government has also made choices that help make things a little easier for people in their everyday lives.

Instead of giving tax cuts to the wealthiest, it gave middle-class families the largest break in a generation by ending expensive medical premiums.

Interest on student loans, and bridge tolls in the Lower Mainland have been eliminated.

And 300,000 families are receiving the *Child Opportunity Benefit*, putting thousands of dollars back into the pockets of those with kids under 18 years old.

Despite the progress made, many people are still feeling squeezed.

B.C. is an incredibly desirable place to live.

But that can also make it an expensive one.

The pandemic has only made it more difficult for many.

That's why your government will continue taking steps to make life more affordable.

Millions of drivers are benefiting from the biggest ICBC rate reduction for car insurance in B.C. history — saving people an average of almost \$500.

Hundreds of thousands of families will benefit from free public transit for kids under 12.

People living on low incomes will continue to benefit from the first-ever increase to the *Senior's Supplement* and the largest-ever increase to social assistance.

And the lowest-wage workers will benefit from a minimum wage that has gone from one of the lowest in the country to the highest among provinces at \$15.20 an hour.

In the months ahead, your government will take action to tie minimum wage increases to the rate of inflation so B.C. workers do not get left behind.

EXPANDING CHILD CARE

The pandemic shone a light on how important reliable and affordable child care is.

It gives kids an early start on the path to learning and it helps parents return to work and pursue opportunities.

For too long, investing in child care was not the priority it should have been.

Many parents felt left behind by rising fees and long waiting lists.

Your government has been working hard to change that.

Families are already benefiting from thousands of new spaces and saving up to \$19,000 a year in lower fees.

Your government will build on the progress made by more than doubling \$10-a-day spaces and reducing average fees by as much as 50% by the end of this year.

Our province is closer than ever to having the first new social program in a generation.

A future where child care is a core service — available to every family that wants it, when they need it, at a price they can afford.

As part of that work, your government will move responsibility for child care into the Ministry of Education this year, which will manage child care programs through new regional offices.

This new, regional approach will allow your government to better understand local needs as it continues to build more spaces for families.

Over time, this will bring certainty and reliability to child care.

The same way that parents feel knowing that they have a public school to send their kids to.

BUILDING AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Your government has also worked hard to tackle rising housing prices and help people find safe, affordable homes.

It banned renovictions and cracked down on speculation.

It froze rent increases during the pandemic, and capped them to inflation.

It moved people from entrenched homeless encampments in cities across the province into safer housing. And it is building 8,000 new on-campus student housing beds.

After years where speculators and big developers were put before people, we are seeing signs of progress.

Since 2017, 52,000 new rental homes have been registered in B.C. That's more than the previous 15 years combined.

But the fact is, people are still struggling to buy or rent here in British Columbia. The biggest challenge is housing supply.

With thousands of new people moving to our province every month, that challenge is only growing, and your government is determined to tackle it head on.

It is making more low-cost financing available to encourage building homes that middle-class families can afford.

It is making the largest investment in affordable housing in B.C.'s history — with 32,000 homes built or on the way already.

In the year ahead, the Province will work with local governments to speed up approvals and seek new tools to curb speculation, moving more underutilized units into the market.

And this spring, it will introduce a cooling-off period on home purchases to protect people when they are buying a home, especially in a volatile market.

PROTECTING THE PLACE WE CALL HOME

For British Columbians, there is simply nothing more important than protecting the place we call home for our children and grandchildren.

We share a deep connection to the clean water, abundant forests and rich farmland around us. Our province's landscape is a source of beauty, food and economic opportunities.

But the things we cherish most are at risk like never before. The climate emergency is here.

If there was ever any doubt, the extreme weather events of this summer and fall should have erased them for good.

The impacts are all around us.

People in Lytton lost their homes and community to wildfires. Farmers on the Sumas Prairie lost crops and livestock to the flooding.

And people in every part of B.C. lost their lives to last summer's heat dome.

The scale of the climate crisis we are living through demands that we act with greater urgency. Both in the short term and over the long haul.

REBUILDING STRONGER

The most pressing priority is helping communities recover and rebuild from recent extreme weather. Once again, your government has your back.

It is providing supports to people who have been evacuated from their homes — including temporary housing, food and clothing — and helping repair highways.

Working with the federal government, B.C.'s government has developed the largest financial recovery package ever to help farmers who have suffered losses due to flooding, return land to production, and support British Columbia's food security in the years ahead.

At the same time, climate change compels us to adapt how we plan and prepare for natural disasters. Ensuring infrastructure is climate resilient — built to withstand future events.

Your government understands that communities can't do this on their own.

That's why it will work with local governments to support recovery efforts with new investments so they can not only rebuild, but rebuild stronger than ever.

Continuing to upgrade rapid transit, roads and bridges around the province is key to building stronger, more resilient communities.

That's why your government is committed to bringing the SkyTrain all the way to Langley, and has secured a major investment from the federal government to help make it a reality.

When built, it will be the first rapid transit expansion south of the Fraser River in three decades.

Work will also continue on the Broadway Subway extension, replacements for the Massey tunnel and Pattullo Bridge, as well as the fourth and final phase of the Kicking Horse Canyon.

Taken together, these projects will create thousands of jobs, reduce carbon pollution and cut commute times — so families spend less time in traffic and more time together.

TAKING ACTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE

Three years ago, your government introduced *CleanBC* — an internationally recognized climate plan that is one of the strongest in North America.

In that time, B.C. has set sectoral emissions targets for the biggest polluters while we work with industry to protect jobs and competitiveness.

We have legislated strong climate targets to reduce pollution and increase accountability.

And it is now easier than ever for people and businesses to switch from fossil fuels to clean, made-in-B.C. energy solutions.

Last fall, your government took the next step by launching *CleanBC: Roadmap to 2030*.

It is a plan that builds on the progress we have made with new measures to keep us on track to meeting our Paris targets in 2030 and reaching Net Zero by 2050.

Critically, it will encourage innovation of clean alternatives by making them more available and affordable to British Columbians.

This includes helping homeowners reduce costs with rebates on heat pumps and plans to expand B.C.'s EV charging network, building on our strength as a leader in electric vehicles.

Over the coming year, your government will take additional steps to lower emissions.

Communities will benefit from increased investments to strengthen capacity and build critical projects to reduce pollution and expand opportunities.

A comprehensive review of the province's oil and gas royalty system will seek to eliminate outdated and inefficient fossil fuel subsidies.

And under B.C.'s new Hydrogen Strategy, we will build on our strengths to make our province a world leader in the low-carbon hydrogen economy.

CARING FOR OUR FORESTS

Another key to tackling and mitigating the effects of climate change is to protect B.C.'s forests and their sensitive ecosystems.

Our forests are part of who we are as British Columbians.

B.C. is leading the country in reforestation, planting more than one billion trees since 2018 — including more than 300 million last year.

And your government is breaking with the divisive approach of the past, and bringing people together to protect forests for future generations.

A cornerstone of this new vision for forest care is a plan to work with First Nations to defer harvesting within 2.6 million hectares of our most at-risk, old growth forests.

This is an area equal to 6,400 Stanley Parks.

Deferrals will prevent irreversible biodiversity loss while a new approach to sustainable forest management that prioritizes ecosystem health and increased community control is developed.

Progress is already being made.

Just last month, Nanwakolas Council and Western Forest Products worked together to defer the harvest of thousands of hectares of old growth on Vancouver Island.

As deferrals are made, your government is making sure the people affected are cared for.

It is investing in skills training to help workers and their families, and providing rural communities with on-the-ground support services.

Forestry is, and will remain, a foundation of the B.C. economy.

Your government wants to ensure it is sustainable for the long term.

Recent legislative changes will increase opportunities for First Nations and ensure more benefits are felt by local communities, while promoting greater value-added manufacturing like mass timber.

In the year ahead, your government will continue investing in mass timber projects for everything from student housing and new health-care facilities to firehalls and cultural centres.

BETTER STEWARDSHIP OF OUR LANDS AND RESOURCES

Stewardship and management of B.C.'s lands and resources are two of your government's greatest responsibilities.

But administration and oversight of our province's coast, land, rivers and mountains has failed to keep pace with new realities.

The cumulative effects of economic activity must align with environmental objectives.

Approval processes for projects must be transparent, timely and fair.

Most critically, B.C.'s commitment to reconciliation must come to life through the consultation, collaboration and co-management of land and resources envisioned in the *Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act*.

In the coming months, your government will launch a new ministry, created after more than a year of planning, to support those goals.

BUILDING A STRONGER ECONOMY—FOR EVERYONE

Despite the disruptions of the past few years, B.C. remains a national economic leader.

We have a strong business climate, with low unemployment.

We enjoy a strategic location as a gateway to Asia and a port to the United States.

The port of Vancouver is Canada's largest, and a planned expansion in Prince Rupert could make it the country's second busiest this year.

And we have a government that is helping people succeed in an economy where business is increasingly conducted online.

Record funding has connected thousands of people to better high-speed internet in hundreds of rural, remote and Indigenous communities throughout British Columbia.

In a tumultuous world, B.C.'s combination of high environmental standards, skilled labour, and partnerships with First Nations is providing certainty and attracting strong investment from around the world.

Take mining as one example.

The \$4.3-billion investment by world-class Newcrest Mining in B.C. demonstrates strong investor confidence.

Mining exploration in B.C. last year exceeded \$600 million, an increase of 50% over the previous year — and the highest level since 2012.

Or take life sciences as another example.

B.C. companies are helping to solve major challenges around the world, while attracting talent and investment to our province.

Last year, B.C. experienced a surge in private technology startups valued at more than \$1 billion.

In fact, 2021 was one of the best years ever for raising capital by B.C. companies.

This year InBC, a new \$500 million strategic investment fund, will begin investing in high-growth potential businesses to help them expand, while anchoring skilled jobs and intellectual property right here in British Columbia.

A NEW VISION FOR A FAIRER, GREENER ECONOMY

But growing the economy is not an end in and of itself.

If people are not feeling the benefits of a growing economy, then we can't say it's working.

In the coming days, your government will release a new vision for building a strong economy.

It is based on feedback from British Columbians from every region of the province and from all walks of life. They have told us that they want economic growth that is shared by everyone.

B.C.'s new Economic Plan will aim to grow the economy with purpose.

To help solve big challenges — like inequality and climate change — with growth that is inclusive and sustainable. These twin goals will guide your government's plan to foster the high-skill, low-carbon economy of tomorrow.

The recently released Labour Market Outlook estimates B.C. will have more than one million job openings in the next 10 years.

Almost 80% of these will require post-secondary education or training.

The rapid pace of change in our economy will require B.C.'s workforce to acquire new skills and knowledge to keep pace.

This is both a challenge and an opportunity.

Even after accounting for young people entering the labour market and immigration, B.C. still faces a skills gap large enough to slow down our strong economy if that challenge is not met.

While your government has taken action to address the challenge by creating thousands of new post-secondary spaces and reducing barriers to education, more must be done.

That's why the new Economic Plan will include a generational commitment to develop the talent B.C. needs to close the skills gap.

This commitment will also be reflected in a new workforce readiness plan to be released later this year.

It will connect workers with skills, and businesses with talent.

It will be guided by your government's core principle that people are our economy.

Because every aspect of the economy is supported by working people.

The last two years have driven home how fragile our supply chains can be.

And the disruptions have highlighted the importance of something we often take for granted: the food we eat.

We are lucky to have incredible bounty here in our backyard.

Food is a huge part of our economy.

Between the people who grow and produce it and those who get it to grocery stores, tens of thousands work to put food on our plates.

That's why your government's new Economic Plan will improve the movement of goods in and out of our province and grow B.C.'s thriving agriculture and agritech sector.

A BUDGET THAT KEEPS INVESTING IN PEOPLE

In two weeks, your government will deliver its next budget. This one will again choose to invest in people.

It will continue to respond to the immediate effects of the pandemic and extreme weather that are still with us today and it will build on our strengths to prepare us for the challenges and opportunities of tomorrow.

New investments will be coming to make child care more available and affordable. To get more people connected to high-speed internet.

To train people for the jobs of tomorrow.

And to help us better fight climate change, while we protect communities from climate-related disasters.

Your government knows that we can't cut our way to a better future.

Building a strong economy is not about pulling back. It's about leaning in to make life better for people.

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STRONGER TOGETHER

The extraordinary events of the last few years have taught us many lessons.

One of the most important is our capacity to overcome big challenges when we work together and lift each other up.

During the extreme weather this summer and fall, we saw examples all around us.

Think of those still grieving on the Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc First Nation, who nevertheless opened their homes and hearts to people fleeing wildfires.

Or the owners of a small restaurant in Hope who served breakfast to people who were stuck when floodwaters washed away sections of the highway.

Or the farmer who went to buy supplies after losing his home to flooding, only to have the store's staff tell him there would be no charge for his purchase.

This is the kindness and generosity that will help us recover and rebuild stronger than ever.

We have been through a lot together.

No doubt there will be more challenges ahead.

But if we look out for each other, we have shown we can overcome anything that gets thrown our way.

As we begin this legislative session, your government will be right there to support you.

It will continue to build a stronger B.C. for everyone by putting people first.

Just as it has since day one.

Thank you.

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

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

On the motion of the Hon. *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—

That, for the remainder of the current Session:

GENERAL

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

QUORUM AND ATTENDANCE

3. 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. 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. Standing Order 16 (2) be amended by substituting the following: When a division has been called, the division bells shall be rung forthwith. Not sooner than 5, nor longer than 10 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. 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. 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. 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. 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. 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. 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. 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. 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.

Motion agreed to.

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

That *Jackie Tegart*, Member for Fraser-Nicola 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. *Stone*, 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. *L. Beare*, *Jagrup Brar*, *Garry Begg*, *Michele Babchuk*, *Niki Sharma*, *Todd Stone*, *Coralee Oakes*, *Doug Clovechok*, and *Sonia Furstenuau*.

Motion agreed to.

Mr. *Olsen* reserved his right to raise a question of privilege relating to statements made by the Hon. *L. Beare* (Minister of Citizens' Services).

And then the House adjourned at 3.03 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by the Hon. *B. Ma.*

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. 2) intituled *Municipalities Enabling and Validating (No. 4) Amendment Act, 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
February 7, 2022.*

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. *N. Cullen* (Minister of State for Lands and Natural Resource Operations) made a ministerial statement regarding the death of Earl Muldon, Chief Delgamuukw, hereditary chief of the Gitksan Nation.

Mr. *Lee* made a statement

Mr. *Olsen* made a statement.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Ms. *Routledge* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services, Annual Review of the Budgets of Statutory Offices, for the Second Session of the Forty-second Parliament (Third), December 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.

Ms. *Elmore* presented the Report of the Special Committee to Review the *Personal Information Protection Act*, Modernizing British Columbia's Private Sector Privacy Law, for the Second Session of the Forty-second Parliament, December 2021.

The Report was taken as read and received.

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

A debate arose.

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.

Mr. *Olsen* rose on a question of privilege regarding statements made by the Hon. *L. Beare* (Minister of Citizens’ Services) in relation to debate on Bill (No. 22) intituled *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2021* during the Second Session of the Forty-second Parliament, and tabled the required motion and related documents.

Mr. *de Jong* made representations and tabled related documents.

The Hon. *L. Beare* (Minister of Citizens’ Services) reserved the right to make representations.

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

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Ms. *Chant* moved, seconded by Mr. *Coulter*—

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

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.44 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Thursday, February 10, 2022

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. 3) intituled *Protected Areas of British Columbia Amendment Act, 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 4, 2022.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

Order called for “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

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

That 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, December 9, 2020, and April 13, 2021, be referred to the Special Committee.

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

- a. appoint of its number one or more subcommittees and to refer to such subcommittees any of the matters referred to the Special Committee and to delegate to the subcommittees all or any of its powers except the power to report directly to the House;
- b. sit during a period in which the House is adjourned, during the recess after prorogation until the next following Session and during any sitting of the House;
- c. 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.

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

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *D. Eby* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing) tabled the Property Assessment Appeal Board Annual Report, 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 Mr. *Bernier*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 11.53 a.m.

Thursday, February 10, 2022

ONE O’CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

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

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 2) intituled *Municipalities Enabling and Validating (No. 4) Amendment Act, 2022*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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 Hon. *L. Beare* (Minister of Citizens’ Services) made representations with respect to the question of privilege raised by Mr. *Olsen* on February 9, 2022, and tabled related documents.

And then the House adjourned at 5.10 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Monday, February 14, 2022

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.”

1 Ms. *Bailey* moved—

Be it resolved that this House support this Government's actions to create affordable housing for all.

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 12.02 p.m.

Monday, February 14, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *A. Kang* (Minister of Advanced Education and Skills Training) 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 *Skilled Trades BC Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 9, 2022.

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 Province of British Columbia Forty-fifth Annual Report pursuant to the *Public Service Benefit Plan Act*, Year Ended March 31, 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 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 any information or evidence previously under consideration by the Special Committee appointed by order of the House on June 16, 2021, be referred to 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*, *Adam Olsen*, *Janet Routledge*, *John Rustad*, *Tom Shypitka*, and *Henry Yao*.

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 3) intituled *Protected Areas of British Columbia Amendment Act, 2022*, 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.

Bill (No. 2) intituled *Municipalities Enabling and Validating (No. 4) Amendment Act, 2022* 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.

And then the House adjourned at 6.26 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, February 15, 2022

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Davies*.

Order called for “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

The Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows:

Honourable Members:

The Chair is prepared to rule on the question of privilege raised by the Member for Saanich North and the Islands last week. The matter submitted to the Chair is complicated and is not an easy one to resolve. An imputation with respect to a Member deliberately misleading this House is a very serious matter that the Chair must approach with utmost diligence.

On February 8, after Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor opened the present Session with a Speech from the Throne, the Member for Saanich North and the Islands reserved his right to raise a question of privilege regarding comments made by the Minister of Citizens' Services in the course of debate on Bill (No. 22) intitled *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2021* in the preceding Session.

On February 9, the Member for Saanich North and the Islands rose on his question of privilege and made a number of representations and submissions to the Chair. The Member's submission focused on remarks made by the Minister of Citizens' Services during committee stage consideration of Bill (No. 22), specifically in relation to a clause of the bill that, if enacted, would allow the Lieutenant Governor in Council to set an application fee for freedom of information requests made under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

The Member for Saanich North and the Islands drew the Chair's attention to several instances in Hansard where, over the course of exchanges on various clauses of the bill, the Minister noted that she is listening to input on the potential application fee. The Member for Saanich North and the Islands noted that, the day after the conclusion of committee stage debate on Bill (No. 22), the third reading and final passage of the bill, followed by Royal Assent of the bill, all of which occurred in the afternoon of November 25, 2021, an Order of the Lieutenant Governor in Council was made on the advice of the Minister of Citizens' Services, setting an application fee for freedom of information requests. This Order of the Lieutenant Governor in Council stemmed from authority granted to the Lieutenant Governor in Council through the enactment of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2021*, being Bill (No. 22).

The Member for Saanich North and the Islands submitted that the Minister's statements in the course of committee stage debate on Bill (No. 22) regarding ongoing consultation and feedback on a potential application fee for freedom of information requests were not accurate. The Member also submitted that the timing of the Order of the Lieutenant Governor in Council demonstrates that a decision on the matter was already made even before the bill had passed all stages of consideration in the House.

This resulted in the Member for Saanich North and the Islands raising this question of privilege and making an allegation to the Chair that the Minister of Citizens' Services deliberately misled the House in the course of debate on Bill (No. 22), which he submits constitutes a contempt of this House, being a serious breach of parliamentary privilege.

The Chair will note that the Member for Saanich North and the Islands was given a great deal of latitude to outline his question of privilege at some length. For future reference, the Chair reminds all Honourable Members that such submissions are to be brief.

The Member for Abbotsford West made further representations in his submission to the Chair, and read into the record and tabled e-mail exchanges between the Minister and officials in the Ministry of Citizens' Services regarding a decision note on an application fee. The Member for Abbotsford West also drew the Chair's attention to precedents of this House regarding previous allegations that a Member had deliberately misled the House.

The Minister of Citizens' Services requested an opportunity to make representations to the Chair after reviewing the matter, a request that the Chair granted. On February 10, the Minister rose to do so, stating that her words had been misrepresented, and noting that no final decision on the application fee had been made until after the enactment of Bill (No. 22).

The Chair thanks the Member for Saanich North and the Islands, the Member for Abbotsford West, and the Minister of Citizens' Services for their submissions, which assisted the Chair's review of this question of privilege.

The parliamentary privileges enjoyed by this House and its Members are intended to allow for the discharge of constitutional functions without interference, intimidation, or obstruction. In considering a question of privilege, it is the duty of the Chair to ensure that it meets four established criteria.

First, the question of privilege must be raised at the earliest opportunity. Second, the question of privilege must be a matter directly concerning the privileges of this House, of a committee thereof, or of a Member thereof. Third, the question of privilege must be raised to correct a grave and serious breach. And fourth, the question of privilege must be raised in order to seek a genuine remedy that the House has the power to provide and for which no other parliamentary process is reasonably available.

In examining the question of privilege raised by the Member for Saanich North and the Islands, the Chair concludes that all criteria have been met, and it is therefore the Chair's duty to carefully examine the submissions made and to provide a ruling on whether a *prima facie* breach of privilege has occurred.

Before offering an examination of the submissions made to the Chair on this question of privilege, the Chair must acknowledge that the matter arose in a previous Session, and that the statements in question were made in a Committee of the Whole.

Parliamentary Practice in British Columbia, 5th edition, confirms at page 402 that a matter of privilege arising in one Session can be addressed in a subsequent Session. The criterion that a Member raise the question of privilege at the first opportunity remains, which has been satisfied in the instance at hand.

Parliamentary Practice in British Columbia, 5th edition, at page 282, states: "Matters arising in a Committee of the Whole, such as points of order and questions of privilege, must be settled in the Committee, and cannot be raised in the Legislative Assembly without a report on the matter from the Committee." In the matter raised by the Member for Saanich North and the Islands, the remarks in question by the Minister of Citizens' Services all occurred at committee stage consideration of Bill (No. 22). The Chair carefully reviewed the precedents of this House, including previous Speakers' rulings, in this respect. In considering the circumstances at hand, the Chair has concluded that the examination of the question of privilege must continue.

To decide otherwise would severely restrict the ability of Members of this House to seek a remedy to a potential breach of privilege. If, in the future, a Member becomes aware of circumstances that transpired in a committee that no longer exists, the Chair does not believe that to be a valid reason to preclude the Member from raising a question of privilege in the House for consideration by the Chair.

The House's precedents in this regard are intended to respect the autonomy of the matters that transpire in committee, of which the House has no knowledge until a committee reports thereon to the House. However, when the committee in question no longer exists and a Member therefore does not have the ability to raise the matter within that forum, it is appropriate to raise the matter in the House at the first opportunity. The House must not be hindered from possibly remedying the matter.

The Chair must now assess the allegation brought forward by the Member for Saanich North and the Islands that the Minister of Citizens' Services deliberately misled the House during proceedings on Bill (No. 22). The Chair will note at the outset that an allegation that a Member, and in particular a Minister, has deliberately misled the House is a serious accusation and ought not to be made lightly. Once made, the Chair's role is to determine, based on the evidence presented, if the Member deliberately misled the House — and the Chair emphasizes the word deliberately — and to determine whether the House was thereby prevented from exercising its duties or was obstructed in doing so, amounting to a contempt.

In the Chair's review of the parliamentary authorities, *Parliamentary Practice in New Zealand* offered the most comprehensive test for what may constitute a deliberate misleading of the House. At pages 775 to 776, the authority states:

"There are three elements to be established when an allegation is made against a member regarding the member's statement: the statement must, in fact, have been misleading; the member must have known that the statement was inaccurate at the time the statement was made; and the member must have intended to mislead the House. The standard of proof required is the civil standard of proof on the balance of probabilities. The serious nature of the allegation demands that it be properly established. Recklessness in the use of words in debate, although reprehensible and deserving of censure, falls short of the standard required to hold that a member deliberately misled the House. An allegation will be made out where a member questions a Minister over information given and the same information is repeated and later can be shown as false. [...]"

For a misleading of the House to be deliberate, there must be an indication of an intention to mislead. Remarks made off the cuff in debate can rarely fall into this category, nor can matters of which the member can be aware only in an official capacity. But an inference of an intention to mislead can be drawn where the member can be assumed to have personal knowledge of the stated facts and made the statement in a formal manner or situation, such as by way of personal explanation.”

As previously stated, the role of the Chair is to examine the representations and submissions as evidence presented, and to determine whether a *prima facie* breach of privilege has occurred. With respect to the submissions of the Member for Saanich North and the Islands, it is not appropriate for the Chair to rely on the opinions or views of other parties, including members of the Press Gallery. The Chair did, however, examine the references to Hansard and to the parliamentary authorities cited in the Member’s representations.

In considering the e-mail exchanges tabled by the Member for Abbotsford West, the Chair acknowledges that the e-mails centre around a decision note and an application fee. However, a copy of the decision note was not provided, nor do the e-mails tabled by the Member allow the Chair to conclude with certainty how the decision note and application fee that are the subject of those e-mail exchanges pertain to the provisions of Bill (No. 22) or freedom of information requests.

With respect to the representations made by the Minister, the Chair must accept her submission that a final decision on the application fee had not been made until after Bill (No. 22) duly passed all stages of consideration in this House, and that she views the commitment she made in the course of debate as being fulfilled.

In making a determination on such a matter, the Chair must examine any evidence that:

1. proves that the statement was misleading;
2. establishes that the Member (in this case, the Minister) making the statement knew at the time that the statement was incorrect; and,
3. the Member intended to mislead the House in making the statement.

The question that the Chair must ultimately draw a conclusion on is the following: Did the statements of the Minister of Citizens’ Services during committee stage debate on Bill (No. 22) contain contradictions that would allow one to conclude that she intentionally misled the House?

Some Honourable Members may believe that to be the case. However, the Minister confirmed to the Chair the validity of her responses. Disagreements on the nuances of debate occur frequently in this House, and it is not the role of the Chair to adjudicate them. The Chair will, as did the Member for Abbotsford West in his submission, draw the House’s attention to the words of Speaker Schroeder, who in concluding a ruling on a similar matter on June 8, 1982, noted:

“It might be appropriate to observe that in this Chamber, by its very nature, countless disputes relating to allegations of fact will arise — and with great frequency. To routinely convert those disagreements into what amounts to a charge of deliberately misleading the House would be contrary to well established traditions observed throughout all parliaments. This tradition states that all Honourable Members will accept the word of all other Honourable Members — a tradition which I commend to this House.”

In other words, our practice, for good reason, is that an Honourable Member’s statement is to be accepted by the House in the absence of indisputable evidence to the contrary. In the event that a Member has clearly and deliberately misled the House by deceptive statements, the Chair may have a role to play to ensure that the privileges of this House are protected.

The Chair balances this observation with a reminder to all Honourable Members that public trust and confidence in this institution depend on the integrity of each and every Member. This is a serious responsibility of which we must always be mindful as we undertake our constitutional duties.

Having carefully and thoroughly considered the submissions of the Member for Saanich North and the Islands, the Member for Abbotsford West, and the Minister of Citizens’ Services, the Chair cannot conclusively conclude that the Minister of Citizens’ Services deliberately misled the House.

It is therefore the ruling of the Chair that a *prima facie* breach of privilege has not occurred.

Honourable Members, I ask for your indulgence as I offer additional thoughts that I hope you will take time to reflect on.

As Honourable Members know, the key principle of responsible government is that the confidence of a majority of Members of this House is needed for any government to govern, to create laws, and to authorize expenditure, impost and taxation.

This House spends a considerable amount of its time focused on business brought forward by the executive. It is within this forum where the principles of responsible government and ministerial accountability are upheld. The executive is entrusted with the great responsibility of governing, and it is the important and legitimate role of this House to examine and undertake effective scrutiny in that respect.

That may only be achieved when an elevated level of debate exists in this place. The majority of the Members of this House have an important role to fulfill in ensuring that the mechanisms of accountability and scrutiny of the executive are well exercised. This is, after all, the people's House, and all Honourable Members have an obligation to fulfill, on behalf of British Columbians, to uphold the democratic values that we all hold very dear. To be effective in this regard, the executive must be forthcoming with the House on questions put by Members in the course of exchanges in this place.

I know that all Honourable Members have great concern for the fragile state of democracies around the world. The events and shifting social dialogue that we see around us are troubling. We all have a role to play in upholding and championing our democratic system of governance, which starts with always doing our utmost to respect the fundamental work and processes that unfold in this very Chamber and the roles of all Members, no matter which side of the aisle they sit on.

I conclude with these thoughts for your consideration, and may they always be at the forefront of all Honourable Members' minds as we discharge our duties in this place. Thank you for your indulgence.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 2) intituled *Municipalities Enabling and Validating (No. 4) Amendment Act, 2022* was again committed.

Clause 1 of Bill (No. 2) passed.

On clause 2 of Bill (No. 2).

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.58 a.m.

Tuesday, February 15, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 2) intituled *Municipalities Enabling and Validating (No. 4) Amendment Act, 2022* was again committed.

Clauses 2 through 4 and the title of Bill (No. 2) passed.

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

Bill (No. 3) intituled *Protected Areas of British Columbia Amendment Act, 2022* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 8 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 Address in Reply to the Speech of Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session.

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.25 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Wednesday, February 16, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Letnick*.

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

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 5) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act, 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 14, 2022.

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) presented a petition regarding road and sidewalk safety in and around the University of British Columbia campus.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 4) intituled *Skilled Trades BC Act*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. *Stewart*, 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, February 17, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Merrifield*.

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. 4) intituled *Skilled Trades BC Act*.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.56 a.m.

Thursday, February 17, 2022

ONE O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* presented the Report of the Special Committee of Selection for the Third Session of the Forty-second Parliament (First), February 17, 2022.

"PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS,
FEBRUARY 17, 2022

MR. SPEAKER:

The Special Committee of Selection appointed on February 8, 2022, to prepare and report lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees of this House, recommends the following lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees for the present Session, with the exception of the Select Standing Committee on Legislative Initiatives as the list of Members to compose that Committee is recommended for the remainder of the present Parliament:

SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS—*Doug Routley* (Convener), *Dan Coulter*, *Grace Lore*, *Jennifer Rice*, *Jinny Sims*, *Harwinder Sandhu*, *Michael Lee*, *John Rustad*, *Adam Olsen*.

SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, FISH AND FOOD—*Jinny Sims* (Convener), *Susie Chant*, *Fin Donnelly*, *Kelli Paddon*, *Doug Routley*, *Henry Yao*, *Ian Paton*, *Jordan Sturdy*, *Ellis Ross*, *Adam Olsen*.

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

SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON CROWN CORPORATIONS—*Garry Begg* (Convener), *Brittney Anderson*, *Megan Dykeman*, *Doug Routley*, *Niki Sharma*, *Adam Walker*, *Mike Morris*, *Tom Shypitka*, *Teresa Wat*, *Sonia Furstenuau*.

SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION—*Michele Babchuk* (Convener), *Doug Routley*, *Jagrup Brar*, *Kelly Greene*, *Kelli Paddon*, *Jennifer Rice*, *Bruce Banman*, *Dan Davies*, *Renee Merrifield*, *Sonia Furstenuau*.

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

SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH—*Niki Sharma* (Convener), *Pam Alexis*, *Susie Chant*, *Doug Routley*, *Harwinder Sandhu*, *Mike Starchuk*, *Shirley Bond*, *Stephanie Cadieux*, *Trevor Halford*, *Sonia Furstenuau*.

SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVES—*Jinny Sims* (Convener), *Brittney Anderson*, *Garry Begg*, *Megan Dykeman*, *Kelli Paddon*, *Doug Routley*, *Dan Ashton*, *Stephanie Cadieux*, *Michael Lee*.

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*, *Dan Ashton*, *Stephanie Cadieux*, *Michael Lee*, *Adam Olsen*.

SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS—*Peter Milobar* (Convener), *Brittney Anderson*, *Dan Coulter*, *Rick Glumac*, *Andrew Mercier*, *Niki Sharma*, *Mike Starchuk*, *Bruce Banman*, *Norm Letnick*.

HON. M. FARNWORTH
Chair and Government House Leader

The Report was taken as read and received.

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* sought leave to move adoption of the Report.

Leave not granted.

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, 2022, 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 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.

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

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

1. Receive and review the annual service plan from the Representative for Children and Youth (the “Representative”) that includes a statement of goals and identifies specific objectives and performance measures that will be required to exercise the powers and perform the functions and duties of the Representative during the fiscal year;

2. Be the Committee to which the Representative reports, at least annually;

3. Refer to the Representative for investigation the critical injury or death of a child;

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.

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* moved—

That, when the House next adjourns after the adoption of this motion, it do stand adjourned until 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 22, 2022.

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 4) intituled *Skilled Trades BC Act*.

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 5) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act, 2022*, a debate arose.

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

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the 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. *Merrifield*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Pursuant to section 33 (3) of the *Constitution Act* [R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 66]:

A declaration by the Member for the Electoral District of Vancouver-Quilchena (Mr. *Wilkinson*) of his intention to resign his seat as a Member of the Legislative Assembly, effective February 17, 2022, was delivered to the Speaker.

And then the House adjourned at 5.25 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, February 22, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Anderson*.

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.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.54 a.m.

Tuesday, February 22, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

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, 2023; and,
Supplement to the Estimates—Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2023;
and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
February 17, 2022.*

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. *Milobar*, 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. 6) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
February 18, 2022.*

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, 2022/23 – 2024/25, required under the *Budget Transparency and Accountability Act*;

Budget and Fiscal Plan, 2022/23 – 2024/25, 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 and Food; Ministry of Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing; Ministry of Children and Family Development; Ministry of Citizens’ Services; Ministry of Education and Child Care; Ministry of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation; Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy; Ministry of Finance; Ministry of Forests; 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 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; 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 2.44 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Wednesday, February 23, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. Lore.

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

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 7) intituled *Coastal Ferry Amendment Act, 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
February 18, 2022.*

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

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

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. Bernier, 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, February 24, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Russell*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

The Hon. *B. Ralston* (Minister of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation) made a ministerial statement regarding the Russian invasion of Ukraine.

Mr. *Stone* made a statement.

Ms. *Furstenau* made a statement.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

- 3** The Hon. *L. Beare*, on behalf of the Hon. *M. Farnworth*, moved—
That the Report of the Special Committee of Selection be adopted.

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

Thursday, February 24, 2022

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.25 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Monday, February 28, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Tegart*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

4 By leave, Mr. *Halford* moved—

Be it resolved that this House urge the Government to take meaningful action to address record high housing and rental costs in British Columbia.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.04 p.m.

Monday, February 28, 2022

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.25 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, March 1, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Banman*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *R. Chouhan* (Speaker) tabled the Auditor General Report, BC Housing's COVID-19 Response: Property Purchases, March 2022.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.57 a.m.

Tuesday, March 1, 2022

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.25 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Wednesday, March 2, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Doerkson*.

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. 8) intituled *Attorney General Statutes (Hague Convention on Child and Family Support) Amendment Act, 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 23, 2022.

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. 9) intituled *Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act, 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 23, 2022.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

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

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.51 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Thursday, March 3, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Tegart*.

On the motion of Mr. *Sturdy*, Bill (No. M 201) intituled *British Columbia Transit Amendment Act, 2022* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

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

Motion agreed to, on division.

And then the House adjourned at 11.47 a.m.

Thursday, March 3, 2022

ONE O'CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 5) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act, 2022* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 8 of Bill (No. 5) passed.

Clause 9 of Bill (No. 5) passed, on division.

Clauses 10 through 17 and the title of Bill (No. 5) passed.

Bill (No. 5) 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.

Motion agreed to, on division.

And then the House adjourned at 5.13 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Monday, March 7, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Coulter*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

5 By leave, Ms. *Lore* moved—

Be it resolved that this House honour International Women's Day by reaffirming our commitment to building a world free of gender-based bias, violence, and discrimination.

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 12.03 p.m.

Monday, March 7, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* (Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General and Deputy Premier) on behalf of 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. 11) intituled *Commercial Liens Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 2, 2022.

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 British Columbia Utilities Commission Annual Report, 2020/21.

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

GENERAL

1. Certain proceedings of the House may be undertaken in three sections, designated Section A, Section B, and Section C, to be subject to the rules that follow.

2. Section A and Section C sit in such committee room as may be designated from time to time, and Section B sit in the Legislative Chamber.

3. Section A and Section C be authorized to examine all Estimates, and for all purposes be deemed to be the Committee of Supply, and that the Standing Orders relating to the consideration of Estimates in the Committee of Supply and to Committees of the Whole House be applicable to such proceedings, save and except that, during proceedings in Committee of Supply, a Minister may defer to a Deputy Minister to permit such Deputy to reply to a question put to the Minister.

4. 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. 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. 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. 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. The Deputy Chair of the Committee of the Whole or their designate preside in Section A and Section C.

9. 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. 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. 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*, *Dan Ashton*, *Bruce Banman*, *Karin Kirkpatrick*, and *Sonia Furstenuau*.

12. 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*, *Trevor Halford*, *Norm Letnick*, *Mike Morris*, and *Adam Olsen*.

13. 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. Section B be composed of all Members of the House.

DIVISIONS

15. When a division is requested in Section A, the division bells shall be rung four times and the division shall proceed in accordance with Standing Order 16, as amended by Sessional Order adopted on February 8, 2022.

16. When a division is requested in Section B, the division bells shall be rung three times, at which time proceedings in Section A and Section C shall be suspended, and the division shall proceed in accordance with Standing Order 16, as amended by Sessional Order adopted on February 8, 2022.

17. When a division is requested in Section C, the division bells shall be rung five times and the division shall proceed in accordance with Standing Order 16, as amended by Sessional Order adopted on February 8, 2022.

18. If a division is underway in Section A or Section C at the time that a division is requested in Section B, the division in Section B be suspended until the completion of the division in Section A or Section C.

REPORTING AND COMPLETION

19. At 15 minutes prior to the ordinary time fixed for adjournment of the House, the Chair of Section A and Section C shall report to the House.

20. 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.

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. 4) intituled *Skilled Trades BC Act* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 31 of Bill (No. 4) passed.

Clauses 32 through 76 and the title of Bill (No. 4) passed, on division.

Bill (No. 4) reported complete without amendment, on division, read a third time and passed.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Tourism, Arts, 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 6.28 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, March 8, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Dykeman*.

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

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 13) intituled *Passenger Transportation Amendment Act, 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 2, 2022.

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 202) intituled *Equal Pay Reporting Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *R. Chouhan* (Speaker) tabled the Auditor General Report, Fraud Risk Management: Office of the Comptroller General, March 2022.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 8) intituled *Attorney General Statutes (Hague Convention on Child and Family Support) Amendment Act, 2022*, a debate arose.

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 9) intituled *Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act, 2022*, a debate arose.

On the motion of Ms. *Furstenau*, 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 11.56 a.m.

Tuesday, March 8, 2022

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. 9) intituled *Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act, 2022*.

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

Order 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)

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$167,955,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Tourism, Arts, Culture and Sport, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2023.

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

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 6.22 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Wednesday, March 9, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by the Hon. *B. Ma.*

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. 14) intituled *Wildlife Amendment Act, 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 7, 2022.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

On the motion of Mr. *Stone*, Bill (No. M 203) intituled *Assessment (Split Assessment Classification) Amendment Act, 2022* 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."

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

That *Brenda Bailey* substitute for *Grace Lore* as a Member of the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services.

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 and 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.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 6) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2022*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$110,426,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Jobs, Economic Recovery and Innovation, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2023.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,423,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Labour, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2023.

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

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 and Ministry of Labour) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 6.54 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, Speaker

Thursday, March 10, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

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

On the motion of Mr. *Sturdy*, Bill (No. M 204) intituled *Crown Land Residential Lease Act, 2022* 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.”

Mr. *Sturdy* rose on a point of order to correct the title of Bill (No. M 204) introduced earlier today.

The Hon. *D. Eby* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing) tabled the Labour Relations Board Annual Report, 2021.

By leave, the Hon. *J. Osborne* (Minister of Land, Water and Resource Stewardship) tabled the Ministry of Land, Water and Resource Stewardship and Minister Responsible for Fisheries Service Plan, 2022/23–2024/25, March 2022.

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

That *Kelli Paddon* replace *Janet Routledge* as a Member of the Special Committee to Review the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

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.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 6) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2022*.

On the motion of the Hon. *M. Dean*, 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 Mental Health and Addictions.

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, March 10, 2022

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.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 6) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2022*.

The debate continued.

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 11) intituled *Commercial Liens Act*, 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.

(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.

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) *Municipalities Enabling and Validating (No. 4) Amendment Act, 2022*.

Bill (No. 3) *Protected Areas of British Columbia Amendment Act, 2022*.

Bill (No. 4) *Skilled Trades BC Act*.

Bill (No. 5) *Workers Compensation Amendment Act, 2022*.

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, March 28, 2022

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."

6 By leave, Mr. *Bernier* moved—

Be it resolved that this House support British Columbia's transitional, ethical LNG industry to meet the needs of British Columbians and the world.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

Pursuant to Standing Order 46 (1), Ms. *Furstenau* moved that the question be now put.

The Speaker stated that in consideration of Standing Order 46 and the practices of the House with respect to Private Members' motions, the question could be now put.

Division called on the motion that the question be now put on Motion 6.

Pursuant to Standing Order 25, the division was deferred until 30 minutes prior to the ordinary time fixed for adjournment.

And then the House adjourned at 12.02 p.m.

Monday, March 28, 2022

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. 19) intituled *Employment Standards Amendment Act, 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 21, 2022.

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) 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 *Property Law Amendment Act, 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 2, 2022.

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) 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 *Supply Act (No. 1), 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 21, 2022.

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 Report, BC Housing’s COVID-19 Response: Additional Safe Spaces for Women and Children Leaving Violence, March 2022.

The Hon. *L. Popham* (Minister of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries) tabled the Ministry of Agriculture and Food Service Plan, 2022/23 – 2024/25, Revised, March 2022.

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. 8) intituled *Attorney General Statutes (Hague Convention on Child and Family Support) Amendment Act, 2022* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 15 and the title of Bill (No. 8) passed.

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

Bill (No. 9) intituled *Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act, 2022* was committed.

Clause 1 of Bill (No. 9) passed.

On clause 2 of Bill (No. 9).

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

Pursuant to Standing Order 25, in consideration of the motion that the question be now put on Motion 6 regarding British Columbia’s LNG industry, the House divided.

Motion negatived on the following division:

NAYS—50

<i>Rice</i>	<i>Chow</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>Begg</i>
<i>Walker</i>	<i>A. Singh</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>Anderson</i>	<i>Chen</i>	<i>Greene</i>
<i>Malcolmson</i>	<i>Donnelly</i>	<i>Ralston</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Bailey</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>	<i>Farnworth</i>		

YEAS—26

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

On the motion of the Hon. *M. Farnworth*, debate on Motion 6 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 Mental Health and Addictions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

Notification of Change in Government Reporting Entity, Real Estate Errors and Omissions Insurance Corporation, March 18, 2022; and,

Ministry of Tourism, Arts, Culture and Sport, Major Capital Project Plan: Royal BC Museum Collections and Research Building Project, February 2022.

And then the House adjourned at 6.18 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, March 29, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Letnick*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

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

Auditor General Report, Managing Cybersecurity Risk in the Telework Environment, March 2022;
and,

Representative for Children and Youth Report, At a Crossroads: The Roadmap from Fiscal Discrimination to Equity in Indigenous Child Welfare, March 2022.

The Hon. *D. Eby* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing) tabled the Forest Appeals Commission Annual Report, 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.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 18) intituled *Supply Act (No. 1), 2022*, a debate arose.

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 19) intituled *Employment Standards Amendment Act, 2022*, 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.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 14) intituled *Wildlife Amendment Act, 2022*, a debate arose.

On the motion of Mr. *Rustad*, 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 Mental Health and Addictions.

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, March 29, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

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

That Cheryl Casimer, Chief Jerry Jack, and Grand Chief Stewart Philip be permitted to address the House on March 30, 2022.

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. 9) intituled *Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act, 2022* was again committed.

Clause 2 of Bill (No. 9) passed.

Clause 3 of Bill (No. 9) passed, on division.

Clause 4 and clause 5 of Bill (No. 9) passed.

Clause 6 of Bill (No. 9) passed, on division.

Clauses 7 through 21 and the title of Bill (No. 9) passed.

Bill (No. 9) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 11) intituled *Commercial Liens Act* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 44 of Bill (No. 11) passed.

A proposed amendment by the Hon. *S. Robinson* (Minister of Finance) to clause 45 (2) of Bill (No. 11) passed.

A proposed amendment by the Hon. *S. Robinson* (Minister of Finance) to clause 45 (4) of Bill (No. 11) passed.

A proposed amendment by the Hon. *S. Robinson* (Minister of Finance) to clause 45 (6) of Bill (No. 11) passed.

Clause 45 as amended of Bill (No. 11) passed.

A proposed amendment by the Hon. *S. Robinson* (Minister of Finance) to clause 46 (6) of Bill (No. 11) passed.

Clause 46 as amended of Bill (No. 11) passed.

Clauses 47 through 87 and the title of Bill (No. 11) passed.

Bill (No. 11) reported complete with amendment.

Bill (No. 11) 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. 14) intituled *Wildlife Amendment Act, 2022*.

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

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$24,602,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2023.

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 Agriculture and Food.

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.

And then the House adjourned at 6.22 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Wednesday, March 30, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Territorial acknowledgement by Elder Butch Dick, Songhees Nation.

Blessing by Elder Shirley Alphonse, T'Sou-ke Nation.

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

That, further to the resolution of the House of March 29, 2022, Chief Don Tom be permitted to address the House in place of Grand Chief Stewart Phillip today.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *M. Rankin* (Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation) tabled the *Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act* Action Plan, 2022–2027.

The Hon. *M. Rankin* (Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation) made a ministerial statement regarding the *Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act* Action Plan, 2022–2027.

Mr. *Lee* made a statement.

Mr. *Olsen* made a statement.

Pursuant to the Orders adopted on March 29, 2022, and earlier today, members of the First Nations Leadership Council addressed the House.

Chief Jerry Jack made a statement.

Cheryl Casimer made a statement.

Chief Don Tom made a statement.

The Speaker declared a short recess.

Order called for “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

The Hon. *A. Kang* (Minister of Advanced Education and Skills Training) tabled the Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Training Service Plan, 2022/23 – 2024/25, Revised, March 2022.

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. 18) intituled *Supply Act (No. 1), 2022* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 4, the preamble and the title of Bill (No. 18) passed.

Bill (No. 18) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 19) intituled *Employment Standards Amendment Act, 2022* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 3 and the title of Bill (No. 19) passed.

Bill (No. 19) 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. 14) intituled *Wildlife Amendment Act, 2022*.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS— 50

Chandra Herbert
Rice
Walker
Simons
Popham
Malcolmson
Beare
Kang
Bains
Dean
Cullen
Ma
Chow

A. Singh
Russell
Starchuk
Anderson
Donnelly
Lore
Alexis
Routley
Whiteside
Conroy
Farnworth
Robinson
Eby

Dix
Osborne
Fleming
Rankin
Ralston
Sharma
Routledge
Paddon
Sandhu
Elmore
Brar
Begg

R. Singh
D'Eith
Sims
Greene
Leonard
Coulter
Glumac
Yao
Dykeman
Mercier
Furstenau
Olsen

NAYS— 24

Cadioux
Doerkson
Milobar
Stone
Bond
de Jong

Ross
Oakes
Bernier
Paton
Davies
Sturdy

Clovechok
Rustad
Kyllo
Morris
Wat
Merrifield

Stewart
Shypitka
Letnick
Banman
Ashton
Tegart

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 13) intituled *Passenger Transportation Amendment Act, 2022*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 13) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 12) intituled *Property Law Amendment Act, 2022*, a debate arose.

On the motion of Mr. *Milobar*, 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 Agriculture and Food.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 6.55 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Thursday, March 31, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Merrifield*.

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. 17) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 23, 2022.

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* reserved his right to raise a question of privilege regarding remarks made by the Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development with respect to the spraying of glyphosate in the forest sector.

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. 12) intituled *Property Law Amendment Act, 2022*.

On the motion of Mr. *Olsen*, 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 Agriculture and Food.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.50 a.m.

Thursday, March 31, 2022

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.

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 11) intituled *Commercial Liens Act*, a debate arose.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 12) intituled *Property Law Amendment Act, 2022*.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. *Coulter*, 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 Agriculture and Food.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Speaker declared a short recess.

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

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

Bill (No. 8) *Attorney General Statutes (Hague Convention on Child and Family Support) Amendment Act, 2022*.

Bill (No. 9) *Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act, 2022*.

Bill (No. 11) *Commercial Liens Act*.

Bill (No. 19) *Employment Standards Amendment Act, 2022*.

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

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

“In Her Majesty’s name, Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor doth assent to these Acts.”

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

Bill (No. 18) *Supply Act (No. 1), 2022*.

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

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

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

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

And then the House adjourned at 4.43 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Monday, April 4, 2022

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Singh*.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Order called for “Private Members’ Statements.”

7 By leave, Ms. *Alexis* moved—

Be it resolved that this House support B.C.’s new economic plan and this Government’s work to build an inclusive, sustainable and innovative economy that works for people.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.03 p.m.

Monday, April 4, 2022

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 of Committee of Supply.

8 The Hon. *M. Farnworth* moved—

That the Select Standing Committee on Health be empowered to examine the urgent and ongoing illicit drug toxicity and overdose crisis, and in particular:

1. The increasing toxicity of illicit drug supplies in British Columbia, including but not limited to, trends in the patterns of use of illicit drugs, the illegal drug market, the role of organized crime, and the rapid increase in toxicity coinciding with the COVID-19 pandemic;

2. The systems and services guiding government responses to illicit drug supplies and toxicity deaths and injuries in Canada (federal, provincial, territorial and local) and other jurisdictions; and,

3. Relevant and recent reports, studies and examinations as the Committee deems appropriate.

That the Committee make recommendations with respect to:

1. Responding to the crisis with reforms and initiatives by the Province and local governments, including those which may require federal approval;

2. Continuing to build an evidence-based continuum of care that encompasses prevention, harm reduction, treatment, and recovery; and,

3. Expanding access to safer drug supplies, implementing decriminalization, and disrupting illicit toxic drug supplies.

That, in addition to the powers previously conferred upon Select Standing Committees of the House, the Select Standing Committee on Health 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 by November 2, 2022, 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 resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 12) intituled *Property Law Amendment Act, 2022*.

The debate continued.

Mr. *Bernier* moved the following amendment—

That the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 12) intituled *Property Law Amendment Act, 2022* be amended by deleting all the words after “that” and substituting therefor the following: “Bill (No. 12) not be read a second time until after the Minister of Finance has laid before the Legislative Assembly the report from the BC Financial Services Authority that—as has been stated publicly by the Minister—will inform the use of the regulatory powers enabled by Bill (No. 12) and enable Members of the Legislative Assembly to better contemplate the impact, intent and effectiveness of the regulations contemplated by Bill (No. 12).”

The amendment on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 12) was negatived on the following division:

NAYS—49

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

YEAS—28

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

The debated resumed on the main motion.

On the motion of the Hon. *M. Farnworth*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$88,820,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Agriculture and Food, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2023.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,001,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Agriculture and Food, Agricultural Land Commission, to 31st March, 2023.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Agriculture and Food and further reported progress 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 Agriculture and Food) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 6.29 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, April 5, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Sandhu*.

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

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 16) intituled *Transportation Amendment Act, 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 21, 2022.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

On the motion of Mr. *Sturdy*, Bill (No. Pr 401) intituled *Sea to Sky University Amendment Act, 2022* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* referred to the Select Standing Committee on Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills.

On the motion of Mr. *Clovechok*, Bill (No. M 205) intituled *Name Amendment Act (No. 2), 2022* 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 of Committee of Supply.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 12) intituled *Property Law Amendment Act, 2022*.

On the motion of Mr. *Ross*, 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 Advanced Education and Skills Training.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.52 a.m.

Tuesday, April 5, 2022

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. 12) intituled *Property Law Amendment Act, 2022*.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—52

Chandra Herbert
Rice
Walker
Simons
Popham
Malcolmson
Beare
Mark
Kahlon
Kang
Bains
Dean
Cullen

Ma
Chow
A. Singh
Starchuk
Anderson
Donnelly
Bailey
Lore
Alexis
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—27

Cadioux
Doerkson
Milobar
Stone
Halford
de Jong
Ross

Oakes
Bernier
Paton
Sturdy
Clovechok
Rustad
Kyllo

Morris
Kirkpatrick
Wat
Lee
Merrifield
Stewart
Shypitka

Letnick
Banman
Ashton
Tegart
Furstenau
Olsen

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.

Mr. *Olsen* rose on a question of privilege regarding remarks made by the Minister of Forests with respect to the spraying of glyphosate in the forest sector and tabled the required motion and related documents.

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* made representations.

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

Bill (No. 6) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2022* was committed.

Clause 1 of Bill (No. 6) passed.

Clause 2 of Bill (No. 6) passed on the following division:

YEAS—50

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

NAYS—26

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

Clauses 3 through 10 of Bill (No. 6) passed.

Clause 11 of Bill (No. 6) passed on the following division:

YEAS—52

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

NAYS—25

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

Clauses 12 through 26 of Bill (No. 6) passed.

On clause 27 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 Advanced Education and Skills Training.

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, April 6, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Sims*.

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

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 10) intituled *Labour Relations Code Amendment Act, 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 11, 2022.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

On the motion of Mr. *Paton*, Bill (No. M 206) intituled *Preserving Brunswick Point for Agriculture and Migrating Waterfowl Habitat Act, 2022* 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 of Committee of Supply.

Bill (No. 6) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2022* was again committed.

Clauses 27 through 57 of Bill (No. 6) passed.

Mr. *Milobar* moved a proposed amendment to clause 58 of Bill (No. 6) which was defeated on the following division:

NAYS—51

<i>Chandra Herbert</i>	<i>Ma</i>	<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Brar</i>
<i>Rice</i>	<i>Chow</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Begg</i>
<i>Walker</i>	<i>A. Singh</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>D'Eith</i>
<i>Simons</i>	<i>Starchuk</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>Sims</i>
<i>Popham</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Osborne</i>	<i>Greene</i>
<i>Malcolmson</i>	<i>Donnelly</i>	<i>Fleming</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Bailey</i>	<i>Rankin</i>	<i>Leonard</i>
<i>Mark</i>	<i>Lore</i>	<i>Ralston</i>	<i>Coulter</i>
<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Alexis</i>	<i>Sharma</i>	<i>Glumac</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>Sandhu</i>	<i>Mercier</i>
<i>Cullen</i>	<i>Conroy</i>	<i>Elmore</i>	

YEAS—27

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

Clauses 58 through 108 of Bill (No. 6) passed.

A proposed amendment by the Hon. *S. Robinson* (Minister of Finance) to clause 109 of Bill (No. 6) passed.

Clauses 109, as amended, through 133 of Bill (No. 6) passed.

Mr. *Milobar* moved a proposed amendment to clause 134 of Bill (No. 6) which was defeated on the following division:

NAYS—51

<i>Rice</i>	<i>Chow</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Brar</i>
<i>Walker</i>	<i>A. Singh</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>
<i>Ma</i>	<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Elmore</i>	

YEAS—27

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

Clause 134 and the title of Bill (No. 6) passed.

Bill (No. 6) reported complete with amendment.

Bill (No. 6) as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 14) intituled *Wildlife Amendment Act, 2022* was committed.

On clause 1 of Bill (No. 14).

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

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,612,688,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Training, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2023.

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

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 6.56 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Thursday, April 7, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Alexis*.

The Hon. *N. Cullen* (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. 20) intituled *Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
April 4, 2022.

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:

The Chair is prepared to rule on the question of privilege raised by the Member for Saanich North and the Islands earlier this week, which was taken under advisement.

On March 31, following Oral Question Period, the Member for Saanich North and the Islands reserved his right to raise a question of privilege regarding comments made by the Minister of Forests with respect to the spraying of glyphosate in the forest sector. The Member outlined his question of privilege on April 5, making a number of submissions to the Chair, primarily being scientific evidence that was not the subject of debate in this House. The Member repeatedly characterized the Minister’s remarks as misleading and suggested that the Minister intended to mislead the House in making them.

Guidelines for raising a question of privilege are outlined in *Parliamentary Practice in British Columbia*, 5th edition, at pages 399 to 400, and one of the essential elements required is “a brief written statement of the matter, which the Member reads to the House.” The brief statement is intended to inform the House of the facts on which the question of privilege is based, and the statement should primarily focus on any applicable parliamentary authorities which may be of assistance to the Chair—not arguments with respect to differences of opinion or fact amongst Members.

The Government House Leader submitted that the question of privilege raised by the Member for Saanich North and the Islands was not a breach of privilege but was rather a dispute with respect to facts.

The Chair thanks the Member for Saanich North and the Islands and the Government House Leader for their submissions, which assisted the Chair’s review of this question of privilege.

The Chair will note that an allegation that a Member, and in particular a Minister, has deliberately or intentionally misled the House is a serious accusation and ought not to be made lightly. I emphasize this as it is an important reminder to all Honourable Members given the cut and thrust of debate that can take place in this Chamber, where matters may be raised that other Members may not agree with.

When such an accusation is made, the role of the Chair is to determine, based on the evidence presented, if the Member deliberately misled the House and to determine whether the House was thereby prevented from exercising its duties or was obstructed in doing so, which would amount to a contempt.

The Chair delivered a ruling on a similar matter a few weeks ago, on February 15, so the Chair encourages Members to revisit the Votes and Proceedings of that day to familiarize themselves with the full extent of parliamentary authorities that may guide a Presiding Officer in adjudicating such a matter.

In short, when deciding on such a matter, the Chair must examine any evidence that proves that the statement was misleading; that establishes that the Member (in this case, the Minister) making the statement knew at the time that the statement was incorrect; and that establishes that the Member intended to mislead the House in making the statement.

There is nothing that the Member for Saanich North and the Islands has outlined that would allow the Chair to make that determination. What the Member outlined amounts to debate—a debate that should unfold through other avenues in this House, and not by raising a question of privilege and making an allegation based on a difference of opinion regarding a statement of facts. The different views that may frequently arise in such a debate are not a matter for the Chair to weigh into.

Furthermore, not only is a dispute with respect to facts not something that should be raised as a question of privilege, but it is also not something that should even be raised as a point of order, as outlined in *Parliamentary Practice in British Columbia*, 5th edition, at page 133. It is simply inconsistent with the rules of debate that have guided the proceedings of this House for decades.

Having considered the submissions of the Member for Saanich North and the Islands and the Government House Leader, it is the finding of the Chair that there was no intentional or deliberate misleading of the House on the part of the Minister of Forests. It is therefore the ruling of the Chair that a *prima facie* breach of privilege has not occurred.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

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

That *Norm Letnick* replace *Stephanie Cadieux* as a Member of the Select Standing Committee on Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Motion agreed to.

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

That *Dan Davies* replace *Stephanie Cadieux* as a Member of the Select Standing Committee on Health.

Motion agreed to.

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

That *Norm Letnick* replace *Stephanie Cadieux* as a Member of the Select Standing Committee on Legislative Initiatives.

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. 17) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2022*, a debate arose.

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

Bill (No. 13) intituled *Passenger Transportation Amendment Act, 2022* was committed.

A proposed amendment by the Hon. *R. Fleming* (Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure) on the Order Paper to clause 1 of Bill (No. 13) passed.

On clause 1, as amended, 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 Citizens' Services.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.58 a.m.

Thursday, April 7, 2022

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 *Passenger Transportation Amendment Act, 2022* was again committed.

Clauses 1, as amended, through 6 and the title of Bill (No. 13) passed.

Bill (No. 13) reported complete with amendment.

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

Bill (No. 14) intituled *Wildlife Amendment Act, 2022* was again committed.

Clause 1 and clause 2 of Bill (No. 14) passed.

On clause 3 of Bill (No. 14).

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 \$656,645,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Citizens' Services, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2023.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Citizens' Services and further reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of 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 A (Ministry of Citizens' Services) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.24 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Monday, April 25, 2022

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."

The Speaker stated that there was agreement amongst caucuses to proceed to Public Bills in the hands of Private Members pursuant to Standing Order 25.

Pursuant to Standing Order 31 (2), the request by Mr. *Sturdy* that Bill (No. M 201) intituled *British Columbia Transit Amendment Act, 2022*, be permitted to stand and retain its precedence on the Order Paper was approved by the Chair.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. M 202) intituled *Equal Pay Reporting Act*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.48 a.m.

Monday, April 25, 2022

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. 21) intituled *Professional Governance Amendment Act, 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
April 21, 2022.*

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

On the motion of Mr. *Paton*, Bill (No. M 207) intituled *Home-Based Craft Food 2.0 Act* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

Mr. *Stone* reserved his right to raise a question of privilege.

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.”

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 13) intituled *Passenger Transportation Amendment Act, 2022*, a debate arose.

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

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 6) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2022*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 6) read a third time and passed, on division.

Bill (No. 12) intituled *Property Law Amendment Act, 2022* was committed.

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

The title of Bill (No. 12) passed, on division.

Bill (No. 12) reported complete without amendment, on division, read a third time and passed.

The Hon. *J. Horgan* (Premier) made a personal statement.

Bill (No. 14) intituled *Wildlife Amendment Act, 2022* was again committed.

On clause 3 of Bill (No. 14).

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 Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

By notice from Ms. *Cadieux* to the Table, Motion 9 was withdrawn from the Order Paper.

And then the House adjourned at 6.25 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, April 26, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Merrifield*.

The Hon. *J. Whiteside* (Minister of Education and Child Care) 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 *School Amendment Act, 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
April 14, 2022.

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 Speaker made the following statement:

Honourable Members:

Yesterday, towards the end of Oral Question Period, the level of decorum in this House declined to a level that has not been seen in the current Parliament. This conduct caused the Chair great concern. The preservation of order and decorum is one of the most important tasks that any Presiding Officer must undertake. It is, as Members will appreciate, a task that can be challenging at times, particularly when debates and exchanges are tense.

This House adopts rules and establishes practices that guide the proceedings of this institution and protect itself from excesses. While the House is the master of its proceedings and the Speaker is its servant, through the Standing Orders, this House has entrusted the Chair with powers to enforce the rules of debate and maintain order and decorum so that this House can conduct its business in an orderly fashion.

The Chair expects to rely on Members' confidence to allow the Chair to discharge the duties that have been entrusted to it. This includes Members acting on the direction provided by the Chair and not challenging the Chair when asked to undertake a course of action. This ensures that the traditions that have underpinned our system of governance under a parliamentary democracy continue to be respected, allowing the House and its Members to fulfill their constitutional functions.

The Chair trusts that all Members will ensure that their conduct reflects respect for this House, respect for other Members—including those across the aisle—and respect for the Chair. British Columbians' trust in this Legislative Assembly is dependent on our behaviour and on our respect for one another and for the dignity of this institution. Please always be mindful of that.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

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

Auditor General Report, Fraud Risk Management: Site C Dam and Hydroelectric Energy Project, April 2022; and,

Representative for Children and Youth Report, Beyond Compliance: Ensuring Quality in Care Planning, April 2022.

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. 14) intituled *Wildlife Amendment Act, 2022* was again committed.

On clause 3 of Bill (No. 14).

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 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 11.57 a.m.

Tuesday, April 26, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

Bill (No. 14) intituled *Wildlife Amendment Act, 2022* was again committed.

Clauses 3 through 5 and the title of Bill (No. 14) passed.

Bill (No. 14) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed, on division.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 20) intituled *Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, 2022*, a debate arose.

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

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

Section A 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 6.28 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Wednesday, April 27, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Banman*.

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. 16) intituled *Transportation Amendment Act, 2022*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

Bill (No. 16) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 10) intituled *Labour Relations Code Amendment Act, 2022*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$109,556,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2023.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$247,545,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Municipal Affairs, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2023.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation and 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 Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation and Ministry of Municipal Affairs) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 6.56 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Thursday, April 28, 2022

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Kirkpatrick*.

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. 23) intituled *Mental Health Amendment Act, 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
April 14, 2022.

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 House observed a minute of silence in recognition of the National Day of Mourning.

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

Mr. *Routley* presented the Report of the Special Committee on Reforming the *Police Act*, Transforming Policing and Community Safety in British Columbia, for the Third Session of the Forty-second Parliament, April 2022.

The Report was taken as read and received.

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

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

Ms. *Cadieux* made a personal statement.

Pursuant to section 33 (1) (a) of the *Constitution Act* [R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 66]:

Ms. *Cadieux* declared her intention to resign as a Member of the Legislative Assembly for the Electoral District of Surrey South.

The Hon. *S. Robinson* (Minister of Finance) made a statement.

Ms. *Furstenau* made a statement.

Ms. *Bond* made a statement.

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. 17) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2022* was committed.

On clause 1 of Bill (No. 17).

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 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 11.58 a.m.

Thursday, April 28, 2022

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. 17) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2022* was again committed.

Clauses 1 through 4 of Bill (No. 17) passed.

Clause 5 of Bill (No. 17) passed, on division.

Clauses 6 through 11 of Bill (No. 17) passed.

Mr. *de Jong* moved a proposed amendment to clause 12 of Bill (No. 17) which was defeated, on division.

Clause 12 of Bill (No. 17) passed, on division.

Clauses 13 through 23 and the title of Bill (No. 17) passed.

Bill (No. 17) 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. 10) intituled *Labour Relations Code Amendment Act, 2022*.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. *Milobar*, 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 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 5.18 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Monday, May 2, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Singh*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for “Private Members’ Statements.”

11 By leave, Ms. *Anderson* moved—

Be it resolved that this House recognize youth as leaders in our province and support this Government’s actions to make life better for young people across B.C. now and into the future.

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, May 2, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O’CLOCK P.M.

Blessing by Elder Shirley Alphonse, T’Sou-ke Nation.

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. 24) intituled *Anti-Racism Data Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
April 28, 2022.

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. *Bond*, Bill (No. M 208) intituled *Defibrillator Public Access 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.”

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. 22) intituled *School Amendment Act, 2022*, a debate arose.

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 21) intituled *Professional Governance Amendment Act, 2022*, a debate arose.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 10) intituled *Labour Relations Code Amendment Act, 2022*.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. *Bernier*, 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 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 6.24 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, May 3, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Routledge*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

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

That *Adam Walker* replace *Niki Sharma* as a Member of the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

Motion agreed to.

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

That *Ronna-Rae Leonard* replace *Harwinder Sandhu* as a Member of the Select Standing Committee on Health.

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. 16) intituled *Transportation Amendment Act, 2022* was committed.

On clause 1 of Bill (No. 16).

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 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 11.54 a.m.

Tuesday, May 3, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O’CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

Bill (No. 16) intituled *Transportation Amendment Act, 2022* was again committed.

Clauses 1 through 6 and the title of Bill (No. 16) passed.

Bill (No. 16) reported complete without amendment.

Bill (No. 16) as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 20) intituled *Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, 2022* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 85 of Bill (No. 20) passed.

A proposed amendment by the Hon. *N. Cullen* (Minister of Municipal Affairs) on the Order Paper to clause 86 of Bill (No. 20) passed.

Clause 86 of Bill (No. 20), as amended, passed.

Clauses 87 through 89, the schedules and the title of Bill (No. 20) passed.

Bill (No. 20) reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$312,344,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2023.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,367,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, Environmental Assessment Office, to 31st March, 2023.

Section A 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 Education and Child Care.

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 Environment and Climate Change Strategy) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 6.24 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Wednesday, May 4, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Bailey*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

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

That *Renee Merrifield* replace *Lorne Doerkson* as a Member of the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services.

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. 23) intituled *Mental Health Amendment Act, 2022*, a debate arose.

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 24) intituled *Anti-Racism Data Act*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 10) intituled *Labour Relations Code Amendment Act, 2022*.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Ms. *Furstenau*, 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 Education and Child Care.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

By notice from Mr. *Clovechok* to the Table, notice to introduce a Bill intituled *Name Amendment Act, 2022* was withdrawn from the Order paper.

And then the House adjourned at 6.56 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Thursday, May 5, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Chant*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

The Hon. *M. Rankin* (Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation) made a ministerial statement regarding Red Dress Day.

Mr. *Lee* made a statement.

Mr. *Olsen* made a statement.

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

The House observed a minute of silence in recognition of Red Dress Day.

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. 10) intituled *Labour Relations Code Amendment Act, 2022*.

On the motion of Mr. *Lee*, 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 Education and Child Care.

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 5, 2022

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.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 10) intituled *Labour Relations Code Amendment Act, 2022*.

The debate continued.

The Hon. *B. Ma* reserved her right to raise a question of privilege regarding comments made by Ms. *Kirkpatrick*.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—44

<i>Rice</i>	<i>Starchuk</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	<i>Elmore</i>
<i>Walker</i>	<i>Anderson</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>Brar</i>
<i>Simons</i>	<i>Donnelly</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>Begg</i>
<i>Popham</i>	<i>Bailey</i>	<i>Osborne</i>	<i>D'Eith</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Alexis</i>	<i>Fleming</i>	<i>Sims</i>
<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Routley</i>	<i>Rankin</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Kang</i>	<i>Whiteside</i>	<i>Ralston</i>	<i>Leonard</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Heyman</i>	<i>Sharma</i>	<i>Glumac</i>
<i>Dean</i>	<i>Conroy</i>	<i>Routledge</i>	<i>Yao</i>
<i>Ma</i>	<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Paddon</i>	<i>Dykeman</i>
<i>A. Singh</i>	<i>Horgan</i>	<i>Sandhu</i>	<i>Olsen</i>

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<i>Milobar</i>	<i>Bernier</i>	<i>Morris</i>	<i>Shypitka</i>
<i>Stone</i>	<i>Paton</i>	<i>Kirkpatrick</i>	<i>Letnick</i>
<i>Halford</i>	<i>Clovechok</i>	<i>Wat</i>	<i>Banman</i>
<i>de Jong</i>	<i>Rustad</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Ashton</i>
<i>Ross</i>	<i>Kyllo</i>	<i>Stewart</i>	<i>Tegart</i>

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

Bill (No. 23) intituled *Mental Health Amendment Act, 2022* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 3 of Bill (No. 23) passed.

On clause 4 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)

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,178,585,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Education and Child Care, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2023.

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.19 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Monday, May 9, 2022

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."

10 By leave, Mr. *Sturdy* moved—

Be it resolved that this House agree that British Columbians expect their elected representatives to work together despite their partisan perspectives and that seeking out, fostering and championing good ideas, regardless of their origin, is important to advance the broader public good.

A debate arose.

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 12.01 p.m.

Monday, May 9, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *B. Ralston* (Minister of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon 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. 15) intituled *Low Carbon Fuels Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 18, 2022.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

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

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 16) intituled *Transportation Amendment Act, 2022*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 16) read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 23) intituled *Mental Health Amendment Act, 2022* was again committed.

Clauses 4 through 9 and the title of Bill (No. 23) passed.

Bill (No. 23) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 24) intituled *Anti-Racism Data Act* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 35 and the title of Bill (No. 24) passed.

Bill (No. 24) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

Clause 1 and clause 2 of Bill (No. 10) passed.

On clause 3 of Bill (No. 10).

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported progress on Bill (No. 10) intituled *Labour Relations Code Amendment Act, 2022* and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION C)

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$49,815,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2023.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$115,629,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation, Treaty and Other Agreements Funding, to 31st March, 2023.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,213,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation, Declaration Act Secretariat, to 31st March, 2023.

Section C 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 C (Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation) to be considered at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 6.23 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, May 10, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Stone*.

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.

Bill (No. 10) intituled *Labour Relations Code Amendment Act, 2022* was again committed.

On clause 3 of Bill (No. 10).

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 Health.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 11.54 a.m.

Tuesday, May 10, 2022

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 the Whole.

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 15) intituled *Low Carbon Fuels 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.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

Clause 3 of Bill (No. 10) passed.

On clause 4 of Bill (No. 10).

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported progress on Bill (No. 10) intituled *Labour Relations Code Amendment Act, 2022* and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

Bill (No. 10) intituled *Labour Relations Code Amendment Act, 2022* was again committed.

Clause 4 of Bill (No. 10) passed on the following division:

YEAS—51

Rice
Walker
Babchuk
Simons
Beare
Mark
Kang
Bains
Cullen
Ma
Chow
A. Singh
Russell

Starchuk
Anderson
Donnelly
Bailey
Lore
Alexis
Routley
Heyman
Conroy
Farnworth
Horgan
Robinson
Eby

Dix
Osborne
Fleming
Chen
Rankin
Ralston
Sharma
Paddon
Sandhu
Elmore
Brar
Begg
R. Singh

D'Eith
Sims
Greene
Chant
Leonard
Coulter
Glumac
Yao
Dykeman
Mercier
Furstenau
Olsen

NAYS—22

Doerkson
Milobar
Stone
Bond
Halford
de Jong

Ross
Oakes
Paton
Sturdy
Clovechok
Rustad

Kyllo
Morris
Wat
Lee
Merrifield

Stewart
Shypitka
Letnick
Banman
Ashton

On clause 5 of Bill (No. 10).

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

Bill 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 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, May 11, 2022

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."

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

Bill (No. 21) intituled *Professional Governance Amendment Act, 2022* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 67, the schedule and the title of Bill (No. 21) passed.

Bill (No. 21) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 10) intituled *Labour Relations Code Amendment Act, 2022* was again committed.

On clause 5 of Bill (No. 10).

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 Health.
Report to be considered at the next sitting.
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 6.55 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Thursday, May 12, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Shypitka*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Ms. *Sims* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Children and Youth, Annual Report 2021–22, for the Third Session of the Forty-second Parliament, May 2022.

The Report was taken as read and received.

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

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

Bill (No. 10) intituled *Labour Relations Code Amendment Act, 2022* was again committed.

On clause 5 of Bill (No. 10).

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 Health.

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 12, 2022

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 B of Committee of Supply.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION B)

Section B of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Forests.
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 5.24 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Monday, May 16, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

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

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

12 By leave, Mr. *D'Eith* moved—

Be it resolved that this House recognize Creative Industries Week and celebrate the talents, innovation and contributions that people in this sector bring to our economy and communities.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.55 a.m.

Monday, May 16, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

The certificate of the Chief Electoral Officer of the result of the election of a Member was read by *Kate Ryan-Lloyd*, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, as follows:

“CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER,
“ELECTIONS BC
“VICTORIA, B.C., MAY 11, 2022

“Honourable Raj Chouhan, MLA
“Speaker of the Legislative Assembly
“Room 207, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B.C. V8V 1X4

“Dear Mister Speaker:

“On February 17, 2022 this office received your Warrant advising of a vacancy in the Legislative Assembly resulting from the resignation of Andrew Wilkinson, Member for the electoral district of Vancouver-Quilchena.

“On direction from the Lieutenant Governor in Council, I issued a writ of election for the electoral district of Vancouver-Quilchena on April 2, 2022, ordering a by-election be held to fill the vacancy. The writ specified Final Voting Day to be April 30, 2022.

“The by-election was held in accordance with the provisions of the *Election Act*, and the completed writ of election has been returned to me.

“In accordance with section 147 (2) of the *Election Act*, I hereby certify the following individual elected to serve as a Member of the Legislative Assembly:

“Kevin Falcon of the BC Liberal Party for the electoral district of Vancouver-Quilchena.

“Sincerely,

“ANTON BOEGMAN,
“CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER”

On behalf of the Hon. D. Eby (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing), on the motion of the Hon. M. Farnworth, it was *Ordered*—

That the certificate of the Chief Electoral Officer of the result of the election of the Member be entered upon the *Journals* of the House.

Mr. Kevin Falcon having taken the oath and signed the Parliamentary Roll, was introduced by Mr. Stone, and took his seat.

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 the Whole.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for 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 later today.
Committee to sit again later today.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

Clauses 1 through 9 and the title of Bill (No. 22) passed.

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported Bill (No. 22) intituled *School Amendment Act, 2022* complete without amendment.

Bill (No. 22) read a third time and passed.

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

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

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION B)

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

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

Clause 5 of Bill (No. 10) passed.

Clause 6 of Bill (No. 10) passed, on division.

Clause 7 of Bill (No. 10) passed, on division.

Clauses 8 through 11 and the title of Bill (No. 10) passed.

The motion that the Committee rise and report Bill (No. 10) complete without amendment passed, on division.

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported Bill (No. 10) intituled *Labour Relations Code Amendment Act, 2022* complete without amendment.

Bill (No. 10) as reported to be considered at the next sitting after today.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION C)

Section C 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 6.29 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, May 17, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Dykeman*.

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 the Whole.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for 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)

On clause 1 of Bill (No. 15).

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported progress on Bill (No. 15) intituled *Low Carbon Fuels Act* and asked leave to sit again.

Bill 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.

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 17, 2022

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 the Whole.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for 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)

Clauses 1 through 14 of Bill (No. 15) passed.

Clause 15 of Bill (No. 15) passed, on division.

Clauses 16 through 66 and the title of Bill (No. 15) passed.

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported Bill (No. 15) intituled *Low Carbon Fuels Act* complete without amendment.

Bill (No. 15) read a third time and passed.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION C)

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$430,989,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Forests, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2023.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$194,285,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Forests, Fire Management, to 31st March, 2023.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,308,645,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Health, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2023.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,896,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Forest Practices Board, to 31st March, 2023.

Section C of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Forests and 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 Forests and Ministry of Health) to be considered at the next sitting.

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 10) intituled *Labour Relations Code Amendment Act, 2022*, a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—50

<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>Chen</i>	<i>Greene</i>
<i>Popham</i>	<i>Donnelly</i>	<i>Rankin</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Malcolmson</i>	<i>Bailey</i>	<i>Ralston</i>	<i>Leonard</i>
<i>Beare</i>	<i>Alexis</i>	<i>Sharma</i>	<i>Coulter</i>
<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Whiteside</i>	<i>Routledge</i>	<i>Glumac</i>
<i>Kang</i>	<i>Heyman</i>	<i>Paddon</i>	<i>Yao</i>
<i>Bains</i>	<i>Conroy</i>	<i>Sandhu</i>	<i>Dykeman</i>
<i>Dean</i>	<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Brar</i>	<i>Mercier</i>
<i>Cullen</i>	<i>Horgan</i>	<i>Begg</i>	<i>Furstenau</i>
<i>Ma</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	<i>R. Singh</i>	<i>Olsen</i>
<i>Chow</i>	<i>Eby</i>		

NAYS—25

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

Bill (No. 10) read a third time and passed.

And then the House adjourned at 6.30 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Wednesday, May 18, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Paddon*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *H. Bains* (Minister of Labour) tabled the WorkSafe BC Annual Report, 2021, and Service Plan, 2022–2024.

The Hon. *L. Beare* (Minister of Citizens' Services) tabled the Report on the Administration of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, 2019/20 and 2020/21, March 31, 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 B of Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Halford* reserved his right to raise a question of privilege.

(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)

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,742,045,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Children and Family Development, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2023.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Children and Family Development.
Report to be considered at the next sitting.
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.54 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Thursday, May 19, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

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

On the motion of Mr. *Clovechok*, Bill (No. M 209) intituled *Indigenous Names Statutes Amendment Act, 2022* 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 honouring Le Estcwicwé'y and commemorating the one-year anniversary of the confirmation of unmarked graves discovered at the former residential school in Kamloops.

Mr. *Milobar* made a statement.

Mr. *Olsen* made a statement.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* (Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General and Deputy Premier) tabled the ICBC Fairness Officer Annual Report, 2021/22, May 15, 2022.

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 B of Committee of Supply.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION B)

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$318,847,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Finance, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2023.

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, 2023.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$59,628,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Finance, BC Public Service Agency, to 31st March, 2023.

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, 2023.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,378,388,000 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, 2023.

47. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,848,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Contingencies (All Ministries) and New Programs, to 31st March, 2023.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,733,581,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Capital Funding, to 31st March, 2023.

49. *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, 2023.

50. *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, 2023.

51. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,044,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Tax Transfers, to 31st March, 2023.

Section B of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Finance.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

Section A of Committee of Supply reported progress of the estimates of the Ministry of Land, Water and Resource Stewardship.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 12.01 p.m.

Thursday, May 19, 2022

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 B of Committee of Supply.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION B)

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

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$92,008,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Land, Water and Resource Stewardship, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2023.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Land, Water and Resource Stewardship.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again later today.

By agreement, summary of debate of estimates passed in Section A (Ministry of Land, Water and Resource Stewardship) to be considered at the next sitting.

Order called for Committee of Supply.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A and 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 Attorney General.

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 Transportation and Infrastructure.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

That *Kelly Greene* replace *Mike Starchuk* as a Member of the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

Motion agreed to.

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

That *Henry Yao* replace *Pam Alexis* as a Member of the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services.

Motion agreed to.

And then the House adjourned at 5.22 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Monday, May 30, 2022

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.”

13 By leave, Mr. *Doerkson* moved—

Be it resolved that this House does not support the plan to rebuild the Royal British Columbia Museum for 789 million dollars.

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 12.02 p.m.

Monday, May 30, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

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, 2021–2022, May 2022; and,
Elections BC, Report of the Chief Electoral Officer on Recommendations for Legislative Change,
May 2022.

Ms. *Dykeman* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills, May 30, 2022.

The Report was taken as read and received.

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

Motion agreed to.

Pursuant to Standing Order 110 (2), Bill (No. Pr 401) to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading.

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 B of Committee of Supply.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION B)

Section B of Committee of Supply 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.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

Section A 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 6.20 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, May 31, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Tegart*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *R. Chouhan* (Speaker) tabled the Ombudsperson Special Report No. 50, Short-Changed: Ensuring Federal Benefits Paid to the Province Reach Caregivers of Children with Disabilities, May 2022.

Mr. *Milobar* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, Summary of Activities, 2021–22, for the Third Session of the Forty-second Parliament (First), May 2022.

The Report was taken as read and received.

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

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *D. Eby* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing) tabled the Office of the Superintendent of Professional Governance Annual Report, 2021–2022.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. Pr 401) intituled *Sea to Sky University Amendment Act, 2022*, 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.

Clause 1 and clause 2, 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.

Order called for Committee of Supply.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A and 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 Attorney General.

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 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 11.54 a.m.

Tuesday, May 31, 2022

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 B of Committee of Supply.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION B)

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$581,587,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Attorney General, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2023.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$92,325,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Attorney General, Judiciary, to 31st March, 2023.

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, 2023.

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, 2023.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$652,791,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Attorney General, Housing, to 31st March, 2023.

52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,194,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Other Appropriations, Electoral Boundaries Commission, to 31st March, 2023.

Section B 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.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

Section A 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 6.26 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Wednesday, June 1, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Letnick*.

On the motion of Mr. *Olsen*, Bill (No. M 210) intituled *Correction Statutes Amendment Act, 2022* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

On the motion of Mr. *Shypitka*, Bill (No. M 211) intituled *Wildlife Amendment Act (No. 2), 2022* 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 a statement recognizing Michael Baer, Audio Operations Supervisor, Hansard Services, for his years of dedicated service and offered congratulations on his upcoming retirement.

The Hon. *D. Eby* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing) tabled the Province of British Columbia *Crown Proceeding Act* Report for the Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 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 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 A)

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,456,033,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2023.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$955,980,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2023.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction and the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure 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.

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.54 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Thursday, June 2, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Doerkson*.

The Hon. *G. Heyman* (Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy and Minister Responsible for TransLink) presented to the Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:

CHRISTOPHER HINKSON
Administrator

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 26) intituled *Environmental Management Amendment Act, 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Vancouver Law Courts,
May 30, 2022.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

On the motion of Mr. *Stone*, Bill (No. M 212) intituled *Emergency Program Amendment Act, 2022* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

Ms. *Routledge* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services, Interim Report on Statutory Offices, for the Third Session of the Forty-second Parliament (First), June 2022.

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.”

Order called for Committee of Supply.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, order called for Section A and 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 A)

Section A 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 11.59 a.m.

Thursday, June 2, 2022

ONE O’CLOCK P.M.

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

That a Special Committee be appointed to select and unanimously recommend to the Legislative Assembly the appointment of an individual to hold office as the Merit Commissioner for the province of British Columbia, pursuant to section 5.01 of the *Public Service Act* (R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 385).

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. adjourn from place to place as may be convenient; and,
- d. retain such personnel as required to assist 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: *Mike Starchuk* (Convener), *Susie Chant*, *Fin Donnelly*, *Mike Morris*, and *Teresa Wat*.

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 and Section B of Committee of Supply.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION B)

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$14,692,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Office of the Premier, Office of the Premier, to 31st March, 2023.

Section B of Committee of Supply reported the Resolution and completion of the estimates of the Office of the Premier.

Report to be considered later today.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$91,983,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislative Assembly, to 31st March, 2023.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,815,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Auditor General, to 31st March, 2023.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$754,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Conflict of Interest Commissioner, to 31st March, 2023.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$18,416,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Elections BC, to 31st March, 2023.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,809,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Human Rights Commissioner, to 31st March, 2023.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,096,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Information and Privacy Commissioner, to 31st March, 2023.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,641,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Merit Commissioner, to 31st March, 2023.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,580,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Ombudsperson, to 31st March, 2023.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,984,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Police Complaint Commissioner, to 31st March, 2023.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,982,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Officers of the Legislature, Representative for Children and Youth, to 31st March, 2023.

41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$942,252,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2023.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$436,420,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General, *Emergency Program Act*, to 31st March, 2023.

Section A of Committee of Supply reported the Resolutions and completion of the estimates of the Legislative Assembly and Officers of the Legislature and further reported the Resolutions and completion of the estimates of the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General.

Report to be considered forthwith.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

By agreement, summary of debate of estimates passed in Section A (Legislative Assembly and Officers of the Legislature and Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General) to be considered at the next sitting.

Ms. *Furstenau* rose on a point of order regarding unparliamentary language in Oral Question Period.

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

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 March 8, 9, 29, April 4, 6, 7, 27, May 3, 5, 9, 17, 18, 19, 31, and June 1 and 2 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 61 billion, 245 million, 194 thousand dollars towards defraying the charges and expenses of the public service of the province for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023. This sum includes that authorized to be paid under section 1 of the *Supply Act (No. 1)*, 2022.

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, 303 million, 697 thousand dollars towards defraying the disbursements for capital expenditures, loans, investments and other financing requirements of the province for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023. This sum includes that authorized to be paid under section 2 of the *Supply Act* (No. 1), 2022.

Motion agreed to.

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

CHRISTOPHER HINKSON
Administrator

The Administrator transmits herewith Bill (No. 25) intituled *Supply Act, 2022–2023* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Vancouver Law Courts,
May 30, 2022.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

Bill permitted to be advanced all stages this day.

Bill (No. 25) was read a second time.

On the motion of the Hon. *S. Robinson* (Minister of Finance), Bill (No. 25) was committed to a Committee of the Whole House to be considered forthwith.

Bill (No. 25) was committed.

Clauses 1 through 3, the schedules, the preamble and the title of Bill (No. 25) passed.

Bill (No. 25) reported complete without amendment, 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. 6) *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2022.*

Bill (No. 10) *Labour Relations Code Amendment Act, 2022.*

Bill (No. 12) *Property Law Amendment Act, 2022.*

Bill (No. 13) *Passenger Transportation Amendment Act, 2022.*

Bill (No. 14) *Wildlife Amendment Act, 2022.*

Bill (No. 15) *Low Carbon Fuels Act.*

Bill (No. 16) *Transportation Amendment Act, 2022.*

Bill (No. 17) *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2022.*

Bill (No. 20) *Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, 2022.*

Bill (No. 21) *Professional Governance Amendment Act, 2022.*

Bill (No. 22) *School Amendment Act, 2022.*

Bill (No. 23) *Mental Health Amendment Act, 2022.*

Bill (No. 24) *Anti-Racism Data Act.*

Bill (No. Pr 401) *Sea to Sky University Amendment Act, 2022.*

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."

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

Bill (No. 25) *Supply Act, 2022–2023.*

His 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, His Honour the Administrator doth thank Her Majesty's loyal subjects, accepts their benevolence, and assents to this Act."

His Honour the Administrator was then pleased to retire.

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* (Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General and Deputy Premier) made a personal statement.

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 Third 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 5.12 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Monday, October 3, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Anderson*.

The Speaker made a statement acknowledging the first meeting of the Legislative Assembly since the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, and advised the House that messages of condolence were relayed to Members of the Royal Family and our new Sovereign, His Majesty King Charles III.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

14 By leave, Ms. *Paddon* moved—

Be it resolved that this House commit to advancing the rights of women, girls, trans, gender diverse and Two Spirit people, and building an inclusive province for all.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.02 p.m.

Monday, October 3, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

The Speaker made a statement regarding the inclusion of American Sign Language interpretation during Routine Business.

The certificate of the Chief Electoral Officer of the result of the election of a Member was read by *Kate Ryan-Lloyd*, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, as follows:

“CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER,

“ELECTIONS BC

“VICTORIA, B.C., SEPTEMBER 21, 2022

“Honourable Raj Chouhan, MLA

“Speaker of the Legislative Assembly

“Room 207, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B.C. V8V 1X4

“Dear Mister Speaker:

“On April 28, 2022 this office received your warrant advising of a vacancy in the Legislative Assembly resulting from the resignation of Stephanie Cadieux, Member for the electoral district of Surrey South.

“On direction from the Lieutenant Governor in Council, I issued a writ of election for the electoral district of Surrey South on August 13, 2022, ordering that a by-election be held to fill the vacancy. The writ specified Final Voting Day to be September 10, 2022.

“The by-election was held in accordance with the provisions of the *Election Act*, and the completed writ of election has been returned to me.

“In accordance with section 147 (2) of the *Election Act*, I hereby certify the following individual to be elected to serve as a Member of the Legislative Assembly:

“*Elenore Sturko* of the BC Liberal Party for the electoral district of Surrey South.

“Sincerely,

“ANTON BOEGMAN,
“CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER”

On the motion of the Hon. *M. Rankin* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing), it was *Ordered*—

That the certificate of the Chief Electoral Officer of the result of the election of the Member be entered upon the *Journals* of the House.

Ms. *Elenore Sturko* having taken the oath and signed the Parliamentary Roll, was introduced by Mr. *Falcon*, and took her seat.

The Hon. *M. Rankin* (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 *Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
September 28, 2022.

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. *N. Cullen* (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. 28) intituled *Municipal Affairs Statutes (Property Taxation) Amendment Act, 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
September 29, 2022.

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. *Rustad* presented a petition regarding ambulance service for the Nechako Lakes region.

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

Auditor General Report, Oversight of Major Mines: Policies and Procedures to Address Environmental Risk, June 2022;

Auditor General Report, B.C.'s COVID-19 Response: Community Economic Resilience Grants, June 2022;

Auditor General Annual Report, 2021/22, June 2022;

Conflict of Interest Commissioner Annual Report, 2021;

Opinion of the Conflict of Interest Commissioner Pursuant to Section 19(1) of the *Members' Conflict of Interest Act* in the Matter of an Application by Lorne Doerkson, MLA (Cariboo-Chilcotin) with Respect to Alleged Contraventions of the *Members' Conflict of Interest Act* by the Honourable Josie Osborne, MLA, (Mid Island-Pacific Rim) and Minister of Land, Water and Resource Stewardship, August 30, 2022;

Human Rights Commissioner Annual Report, 2021/22 and Service Plan, 2022/23–2024/25;

Information and Privacy Commissioner Annual Report, 2021–2022;

Registrar of Lobbyists Annual Report, 2021–2022;

Representative for Children and Youth Report, A Parent's Responsibility: Government's Obligation to Improve the Mental Health Outcomes of Children in Care, September 2022;

Representative for Children and Youth Annual Report, 2021/22 and Service Plan, 2022/23–2024/25; and,

British Columbia Electoral Boundaries Commission, Preliminary Report, October 3, 2022.

Ms. *Routledge* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services, Report on the Budget 2023 Consultation, for the Third Session of the Forty-second Parliament (Second), August 2022.

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. 26) intituled *Environmental Management Amendment Act, 2022*, 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.

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

British Columbia Human Rights Tribunal Annual Report, 2021/2022;

Budget 2022 First Quarterly Report, September 2022;

Commission of Inquiry into Money Laundering in British Columbia, Final Report, Volume 1 and Volume 2, June 2022;

Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act, Annual Report, 2021–2022;

Ministerial Accountability Report, 2021/22;

Ministry Annual Service Plan Reports, 2021/22: Office of the Premier; Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Training; Ministry of Agriculture and Food (formerly 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 and Child Care (formerly Education); Ministry of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation; Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy; Ministry of Finance; Ministry of Forests (formerly 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 Public Safety and Solicitor General; Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction; Ministry of Tourism, Arts, Culture and Sport; and Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure;

Crown Agency Annual Service Plan Reports, 2021/22: 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. (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; and, List of Organizations that have been exempted from section 16 of the *Budget Transparency and Accountability Act*, and for which service plans are not being filed;

Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Training, Major Capital Project Plan: Douglas College — Academic and Student Housing Project, August 2, 2022;

Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Training, Major Capital Project Plan: Royal Roads University — West Shore Learning Centre, July 27, 2022;

Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Training, Major Capital Project Plan: Vancouver Island University — Student Housing and Dining Hall, July 19, 2022;

Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure, Major Capital Project Plan: Highway 1 Widening — 216th Street to 264th Street Project, July 27, 2022;

Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure, Major Capital Project Plan: Surrey Langley SkyTrain Project;

Public Accounts, 2021/22;

Province of British Columbia Strategic Plan Annual Report, 2021/22;

Speculation and Vacancy Tax Annual Report, 2020 Tax Year; and,

Transportation Investment Corporation Service Plan, 2022/23–2024/25, Revised, August 2022.

And then the House adjourned at 6.16 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, October 4, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Russell*.

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. 29) intituled *Mortgage Services Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
September 29, 2022.

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

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 30) intituled *Cannabis Control and Licensing Amendment Act, 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
September 29, 2022.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

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

That the written agreement between the Government House Leader, the Official Opposition House Leader, and the Third Party House Leader, dated June 22, 2022, be ratified, confirming the following membership changes effective June 27, 2022:

Andrew Mercier replace *Jinny Sims* as a Member of the Select Standing Committee on Children and Youth for the Third Session of the Forty-second Parliament;

Roly Russell replace *Jinny Sims* as a Member of the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture, Fish and Food for the Third Session of the Forty-second Parliament;

Rachna Singh replace *Jinny Sims* as a Member of the Select Standing Committee on Aboriginal Affairs for the Third Session of the Forty-second Parliament;

Janet Routledge replace *Jinny Sims* as a Member of the Select Standing Committee on Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills for the Third Session of the Forty-second Parliament; and,

Janet Routledge replace *Jinny Sims* as a Member of the Select Standing Committee on Legislative Initiatives for the remainder of the Forty-second Parliament.

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

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

That *Tom Shypitka* replace *Karin Kirkpatrick* as a Member of the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services.

Motion agreed to.

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

That *Elenore Sturko* be added as a Member of the Select Standing Committee on Aboriginal Affairs.

Motion agreed to.

The Hon. *M. Rankin* (Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation) made a ministerial statement regarding the National Day of Action for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls and Two-Spirit People.

Mr. *Lee* made a statement.

Mr. *Olsen* made a statement.

The Hon. *L. Beare* (Minister of Tourism, Arts, Culture and Sport) tabled the BC Arts Council Annual Report, 2021/2022.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 28) intituled *Municipal Affairs Statutes (Property Taxation) Amendment Act, 2022*, a debate arose.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.50 a.m.

Tuesday, October 4, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O’CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Bill (No. 26) intituled *Environmental Management Amendment Act, 2022* was committed.

Clause 1, clause 2 and the title of Bill (No. 26) passed.

Bill (No. 26) 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. 28) intituled *Municipal Affairs Statutes (Property Taxation) Amendment Act, 2022*.

The debate continued.

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.

And then the House adjourned at 6.22 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Wednesday, October 5, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Lore*.

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

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 32) intituled *Gaming Control Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
October 4, 2022.*

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. *N. Cullen* (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. 31) intituled *B.C. Pavilion Corporation Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
September 29, 2022.*

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 Elections BC Annual Report, 2021/22 and Service Plan, 2022/23–2024/25, October 5, 2022.

The Hon. *N. Simons* (Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction) tabled the TogetherBC: British Columbia's Poverty Reduction Strategy Annual Report, 2021.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 30) intituled *Cannabis Control and Licensing Amendment Act, 2022*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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.

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

The debate continued.

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.

And then the House adjourned at 6.50 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Thursday, October 6, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Coulter*.

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. 33) intituled *Food Delivery Service Fee Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 4, 2022.

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."

By leave, on the motion of Mr. *Olsen*, Bill (No. M 213) intituled *Wildlife Amendment Act (No. 3), 2022* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

The Hon. *S. Robinson* (Minister of Finance) tabled the Province of British Columbia Consolidated Revenue Fund Guarantees and Indemnities Approved for the Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2022.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 32) intituled *Gaming Control Act*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 32) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 28) intituled *Municipal Affairs Statutes (Property Taxation) Amendment Act, 2022* was committed.

On clause 1 of Bill (No. 28).

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 11.57 a.m.

Thursday, October 6, 2022

ONE O’CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Bill (No. 28) intituled *Municipal Affairs Statutes (Property Taxation) Amendment Act, 2022* was again committed.

Clause 1 of Bill (No. 28) passed.

Mr. *Milobar* moved a proposed amendment to clause 2 (5) of Bill (No. 28) which was defeated, on division.

Mr. *Milobar* moved a proposed amendment to clause 2 (6) of Bill (No. 28) which was defeated, on division.

On clause 2 of Bill (No. 28).

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 5.26 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Monday, October 17, 2022

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."

20 By leave, Ms. *Sturko* moved—

Be it resolved that this House support safe communities for British Columbians by ending the current catch-and-release justice system.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

Monday, October 17, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

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

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 34) intituled *Opioid Damages and Health Care Costs Recovery Amendment Act, 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 7, 2022.

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 Ombudsperson Annual Report, 2021–2022.

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

Civil Resolution Tribunal Annual Report, 2021/2022;

Public Guardian and Trustee of British Columbia Annual Report, 2021/2022; and, Environmental Appeal Board Annual Report, 2021/2022.

Mr. *Glumac* presented the Report of the Special Committee to Review the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, FIPPA for the Future, for the Third Session of the Forty-second Parliament, June 2022.

The Report was taken as read and received.

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

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Bill (No. 28) intituled *Municipal Affairs Statutes (Property Taxation) Amendment Act, 2022* was again committed.

The Chair made a statement regarding the process for proposed amendments to bills during Committee of the Whole and noted that pursuant to Standing Order 43 and Standing Order 61 (2), although there is no limit to the number of times a Member may speak to an amendment, remarks should be strictly relevant to the item or clause under consideration and avoid repetition.

Clause 2 of Bill (No. 28) stood down.

Clauses 3 through 7 of Bill (No. 28) passed.

Clause 2 and the title of Bill (No. 28) passed.

Bill (No. 28) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 29) intituled *Mortgage Services Act* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 3 of Bill (No. 29) passed.

Mr. *Milobar* moved a proposed amendment to clause 4 of Bill (No. 29) which was defeated on the following division:

NAYS—42

Chandra Herbert
Rice
Walker
Babchuk
Simons
Malcolmson
Beare
Chen
Kang
Bains
Dean

Chow
Russell
Starchuk
Anderson
Bailey
Lore
Alexis
Routley
Heyman
Conroy
Farnworth

Robinson
Rankin
Dix
Osborne
Fleming
Ralston
Routledge
Paddon
Sandhu
Elmore

Brar
Begg
D'Eith
Greene
Chant
Leonard
Glumac
Yao
Dykeman
Mercier

YEAS—25

de Jong
Milobar
Stone
Falcon
Bond
Halford
Ross

Oakes
Bernier
Paton
Davies
Sturdy
Clovechok

Morris
Sturko
Kirkpatrick
Merrifield
Lee
Wat

Stewart
Shypitka
Ashton
Banman
Letnick
Rustad

Clauses 4 through 12 of Bill (No. 29) passed.

On clause 13 of Bill (No. 29).

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 6.20 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, October 18, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Kirkpatrick*.

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. 35) intituled *Income Tax Amendment Act, 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 13, 2022.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

By leave, Mr. *de Jong* tabled a draft Notice of Directive to the Criminal Justice Branch of the Ministry of Attorney General regarding adult prolific offenders.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 29) intituled *Mortgage Services Act* was again committed.

Clauses 13 through 105 and the title of Bill (No. 29) passed.

Bill (No. 29) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 27) intituled *Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2022*, 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 11.41 a.m.

Tuesday, October 18, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 33) intituled *Food Delivery Service Fee Act*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

Bill (No. 33) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 30) intituled *Cannabis Control and Licensing Amendment Act, 2022* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 22 and the title of Bill (No. 30) passed.

Bill (No. 30) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 32) intituled *Gaming Control Act* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 78 of Bill (No. 32) passed.

A proposed amendment by the Hon. *M. Farnworth* (Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General and Deputy Premier) to clause 79 of Bill (No. 32) passed.

Clause 79, as amended, of Bill (No. 32) passed.

Clauses 80 through 237 and the title of Bill (No. 32) passed.

Bill (No. 32) reported complete with amendment, and by leave, read a third time and passed.

And then the House adjourned at 6.27 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Wednesday, October 19, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Tegart*.

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

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 36) intituled *Health Professions and Occupations Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 14, 2022.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

On the motion of Mr. *Stone*, Bill (No. M 214) intituled *Members' Remuneration and Pensions (Salary Freeze) Amendment Act, 2022* 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."

Mr. *Olsen* advised the House of the death of Clive Tanner, a former Member of the Legislative Assembly.

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* (Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General and Deputy Premier) made a ministerial statement regarding the death of Royal Canadian Mounted Police Constable Shaelyn Yang in Burnaby.

Ms. *Sturko* 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."

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 35) intituled *Income Tax Amendment Act, 2022*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 35) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

Bill (No. 33) intituled *Food Delivery Service Fee Act* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 29 and the title of Bill (No. 33) passed.

Bill (No. 33) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 27) intituled *Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2022* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 20 and the title of Bill (No. 27) passed.

Bill (No. 27) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 31) intituled *B.C. Pavilion Corporation Act*, a debate arose.

Bill (No. 31) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

And then the House adjourned at 5.54 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Thursday, October 20, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Letnick*.

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.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

The Speaker advised the House of the death of E. George MacMinn, O.B.C., Q.C., a former Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, and commended his long service and contributions as a Table Officer.

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

And then the House adjourned at 11.50 a.m.

Thursday, October 20, 2022

ONE O'CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Bill (No. 35) intituled *Income Tax Amendment Act, 2022* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 3 and the title of Bill (No. 35) passed.

Bill (No. 35) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 31) intituled *B.C. Pavilion Corporation Act* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 10 and the title of Bill (No. 31) passed.

Bill (No. 31) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 34) intituled *Opioid Damages and Health Care Costs Recovery Amendment Act, 2022*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

Bill (No. 34) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

And then the House adjourned at 5.11 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Monday, October 24, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Singh*.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

Order called for "Private Members' Statements."

22 By leave, Mr. *Chandra Herbert* moved—

Be it resolved that this House support holding the annual allowable rent increase for 2023 at two percent.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.01 p.m.

Monday, October 24, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

The Hon. *M. Rankin* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing) tabled the British Columbia Ferries Commissioner Annual Report, for the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2022, August 29, 2022.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 36) intituled *Health Professions and Occupations Act*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. *Lee*, 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*

Tuesday, October 25, 2022

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Dykeman*.

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. 36) intituled *Health Professions and Occupations Act*.

On the motion of the Hon. *M. Dean*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Ms. *Furstenau* reserved her right to raise a question of privilege regarding comments made by the Minister of Health and others earlier today during Oral Question Period.

And then the House adjourned at 11.54 a.m.

Tuesday, October 25, 2022

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. 36) intituled *Health Professions and Occupations Act*.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. *Banman*, 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, October 26, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Elder Shirley Alphonse, T'Sou-ke Nation, who offered a territorial acknowledgement and blessing.

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. 38) intituled *Indigenous Self-Government in Child and Family Services Amendment Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 25, 2022.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

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

That the House suspend proceedings in order that members of the First Nations Leadership Council may address the Legislative Assembly, and that their addresses and the statements by the Premier, the Leader of the Official Opposition, and the Leader of the Third Party, or their designates, be printed as an appendix to the *Official Report of Debates of the Legislative Assembly* of this sitting.

Motion agreed to.

The House recessed until 2.37 p.m.

Order called for “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 36) intituled *Health Professions and Occupations Act*.

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 6.49 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Thursday, October 27, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Chant*.

The Hon. *B. Ralston* (Minister of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon 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. 37) intituled *Energy Statutes Amendment Act, 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 25, 2022.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

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

JANET AUSTIN
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 40) intituled *Passenger Transportation Amendment Act (No. 2), 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 25, 2022.

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. *N. Cullen* (Minister of Municipal Affairs) made a ministerial statement regarding the Russian invasion of Ukraine and the continued efforts to support Ukrainian refugees.

Mr. *Stone* made a statement.

Ms. *Furstenau* made a statement.

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. 36) intituled *Health Professions and Occupations Act*.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.57 a.m.

Thursday, October 27, 2022

ONE 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. 36) intituled *Health Professions and Occupations Act*.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—58

Chandra Herbert
Rice
Walker
Simons
Popham
Malcolmson
Beare
Chen
Kahlon
Kang
Bains
Dean
Cullen
Chow
A. Singh

Starchuk
Anderson
Bailey
Alexis
Routley
Heyman
Conroy
Robinson
Rankin
Dix
Fleming
Ralston
Sharma
Routledge
Paddon

Brar
Begg
R. Singh
D'Eith
Sims
Greene
Chant
Leonard
Glumac
Yao
de Jong
Doerkson
Stone
Bond

Oakes
Bernier
Paton
Davies
Clovechok
Morris
Kirkpatrick
Merrifield
Stewart
Ashton
Banman
Letnick
Tegart
Olsen

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

Bill (No. 34) intituled *Opioid Damages and Health Care Costs Recovery Amendment Act, 2022* was committed.

On clause 1 of Bill (No. 34).

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, October 31, 2022

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."

23 By leave, Mr. *Milobar* moved—

Be it resolved that this House acknowledge that British Columbians are struggling to make ends meet with record-high inflation and take meaningful steps to address the current cost-of-living crisis.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

Monday, October 31, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

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

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. 41) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act (No. 2), 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 26, 2022.

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) 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. 42) intituled *Provincial Sales Tax Amendment Act, 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 27, 2022.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

On the motion of Mr. *Milobar*, Bill (No. M 215) intituled *Provincial Sales Tax (Used Passenger Vehicles) Amendment Act, 2022* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 40) intituled *Passenger Transportation Amendment Act (No. 2), 2022*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. *Sturdy*, the debate was adjourned to later today.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

Clauses 1 through 12 and the title of Bill (No. 34) passed.

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported Bill (No. 34) intituled *Opioid Damages and Health Care Costs Recovery Amendment Act, 2022* complete without amendment.

Bill (No. 34) read a third time and passed.

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. 40) intituled *Passenger Transportation Amendment Act (No. 2), 2022*.

The debate continued.

Bill (No. 40) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

On clause 1 of Bill (No. 36).

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported progress on Bill (No. 36) intituled *Health Professions and Occupations 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 6.26 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, November 1, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Letnick*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Ms. *Sharma* presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Health, Closing Gaps, Reducing Barriers: Expanding the Response to the Toxic Drug and Overdose Crisis, for the Third Session of the Forty-second Parliament (First), November 2022.

The Report was taken as read and received.

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

A debate arose.

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. 41) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act (No. 2), 2022*, a debate arose.

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

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

On clause 1 of Bill (No. 36).

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported progress on Bill (No. 36) intituled *Health Professions and Occupations 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 12 noon.

Tuesday, November 1, 2022

ONE-THIRTY 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.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 41) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act (No. 2), 2022*.

The debate continued.

Bill (No. 41) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

Clauses 1 through 7 of Bill (No. 36) passed.

Clause 8 and clause 9 of Bill (No. 36) stood down.

On clause 10 of Bill (No. 36).

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported progress on Bill (No. 36) intituled *Health Professions and Occupations 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 6.19 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Wednesday, November 2, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

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

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Kirkpatrick*.

The Hon. *L. Beare* (Minister of Citizens' Services and Minister of Tourism, Art, Culture and Sport) on behalf of the Hon. *M. Rankin* (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. 39) intituled *Judicial Review Procedure Amendment Act, 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 25, 2022.

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 42) intituled *Provincial Sales Tax Amendment Act, 2022*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

(IN COMMITTEE — SECTION A)

Clause 10 of Bill (No. 36) passed.

Clause 11 of Bill (No. 36) stood down.

Clauses 12 through 28 of Bill (No. 36) passed.

On clause 29 of Bill (No. 36).

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported progress on Bill (No. 36) intituled *Health Professions and Occupations 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 6.56 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Thursday, November 3, 2022

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Merrifield*.

The Speaker made a statement expressing appreciation to Hansard Broadcasting and the Island Deaf and Hard of Hearing Centre regarding the inclusion of American Sign Language interpretation during Routine Business.

On the motion of Ms. *Kirkpatrick*, Bill (No. M 216) intituled *Land Title Amendment Act, 2022* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Pursuant to 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. 42) intituled *Provincial Sales Tax Amendment Act, 2022*.

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 38) intituled *Indigenous Self-Government in Child and Family Services Amendment Act*, a debate arose.

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

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

Clauses 29 through 38 of Bill (No. 36) passed.

On clause 39 of Bill (No. 36).

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported progress on Bill (No. 36) intituled *Health Professions and Occupations 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 11.53 a.m.

Thursday, November 3, 2022

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.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 38) intituled *Indigenous Self-Government in Child and Family Services Amendment Act*.

The debate continued.

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

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* moved—

That, notwithstanding Standing Order 2 (2), when the House next adjourns, it stand adjourned until 10 a.m. on Monday, November 21, 2022.

A debate arose.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—44

Chandra Herbert
Rice
Walker
Babchuk
Simons
Malcolmson
Chen
Kahlon
Kang
Bains
Dean

Chow
A. Singh
Russell
Starchuk
Anderson
Donnelly
Lore
Routley
Heyman
Conroy
Farnworth

Robinson
Rankin
Dix
Osborne
Fleming
Ralston
Sharma
Routledge
Paddon
Sandhu
Elmore

Brar
Begg
D'Eith
Sims
Greene
Chant
Leonard
Glumac
Yao
Dykeman
Mercier

NAYS—23

de Jong
Doerkson
Milobar
Stone
Falcon
Halford

Oakes
Bernier
Paton
Davies
Morris
Kyllo

Sturko
Kirkpatrick
Merrifield
Lee
Stewart
Ashton

Letnick
Tegart
Rustad
Furstenau
Olsen

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. 26) *Environmental Management Amendment Act, 2022*.

Bill (No. 27) *Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2022*.

Bill (No. 28) *Municipal Affairs Statutes (Property Taxation) Amendment Act, 2022*.

Bill (No. 29) *Mortgage Services Act*.

Bill (No. 30) *Cannabis Control and Licensing Amendment Act, 2022*.

Bill (No. 31) *B.C. Pavilion Corporation Act*.

Bill (No. 32) *Gaming Control Act*.

Bill (No. 33) *Food Delivery Service Fee Act*.

Bill (No. 34) *Opioid Damages and Health Care Costs Recovery Amendment Act, 2022*.

Bill (No. 35) *Income Tax Amendment Act, 2022*.

His Honour was pleased in His 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 His Majesty's name, His Honour the Administrator doth assent to these Acts."

His Honour the Administrator was then pleased to retire.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

A proposed amendment by the Hon. *A. Dix* (Minister of Health) to clause 8 of Bill (No. 36) passed.

Clause 8, as amended, of Bill (No. 36) passed.

A proposed amendment by the Hon. *A. Dix* (Minister of Health) to clause 11 of Bill (No. 36) passed.

Clause 11, as amended, of Bill (No. 36) passed.

Clauses 39 through 73 of Bill (No. 36) passed.

On clause 74 of Bill (No. 36).

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported progress on Bill (No. 36) intituled *Health Professions and Occupations 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 5.16 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Monday, November 21, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Ms. *Sims*.

The Hon. *M. Rankin* (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. 43) intituled *Housing Supply Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
November 16, 2022.

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. Rankin* (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. 44) intituled *Building and Strata Statutes Amendment Act, 2022* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
November 16, 2022.*

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Order called for “Private Members’ Statements.”

Upon request by the Hon. *S. Malcolmson* that the House proceed to Motion 15, the Chair put the question of leave pursuant to Standing Order 27 (1).

Leave not granted.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. M 202) intituled *Equal Pay Reporting Act*.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.55 a.m.

Monday, November 21, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O’CLOCK P.M.

Order called for “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

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

That, notwithstanding Standing Order 2 (1), the adjournment time of the sittings of the House commencing at 1.30 p.m. on Monday, November 21, 2022, Tuesday, November 22, 2022, and Wednesday, November 23, 2022, be modified to:

- a. 9 p.m. on Monday, November 21, 2022, and Tuesday, November 22, 2022; and,
- b. 10 p.m. on Wednesday, November 23, 2022.

And further, that this modified time of adjournment extend to the application of Standing Order 3 and to the interpretation of the ordinary time fixed for adjournment of the House in the Sessional Order adopted by the House on March 7, 2022, enabling certain proceedings of the House to be undertaken in three sections.

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

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

That, further to the Sessional Order adopted by the House on March 7, 2022, enabling certain proceedings of the House to be undertaken in three sections:

a. Section C 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;

b. Section C 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); and,

c. the membership of Section C include the Minister in charge of the bill under consideration.

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 38) intituled *Indigenous Self-Government in Child and Family Services Amendment Act*.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. *Morris*, the debate was adjourned to later today.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION C)

Clauses 1 through 5 of Bill (No. 40) passed.

A proposed amendment by the Hon. *R. Fleming* (Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure) on the Order Paper to add clause 5.1 to Bill (No. 40) passed.

Clauses 6 through 9 of Bill (No. 40) passed.

A proposed amendment by the Hon. *R. Fleming* (Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure) on the Order Paper to add clause 9.1 to Bill (No. 40) passed.

Clauses 10 through 15 of Bill (No. 40) passed.

Mr. *Stewart* moved a proposed amendment to add clause 15.1 to Bill (No. 40) which was defeated, on division.

A proposed amendment by the Hon. *R. Fleming* (Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure) on the Order Paper to clause 16 of Bill (No. 40) passed.

Clause 16, as amended, and the title of Bill (No. 40) passed.

Section C of Committee of the Whole reported Bill (No. 40) intituled *Passenger Transportation Amendment Act (No. 2)*, 2022 complete with amendment.

By leave, Bill (No. 40) read a third time and passed.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 38) intituled *Indigenous Self-Government in Child and Family Services Amendment Act*.

Bill (No. 38) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 37) intituled *Energy Statutes Amendment Act, 2022*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

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

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

Clause 9 of Bill (No. 36) passed.

Clauses 74 through 109 of Bill (No. 36) passed.

On clause 110 of Bill (No. 36).

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported progress on Bill (No. 36) intituled *Health Professions and Occupations Act* and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION C)

On clause 1 of Bill (No. 41).

Section C of Committee of the Whole reported progress on Bill (No. 41) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act (No. 2), 2022* 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 8.52 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Tuesday, November 22, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by the Hon. *B. Ma*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

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

Auditor General's Report on the Financial Audit Work: Fiscal Year 2021/22, November 2022; and, Police Complaint Commissioner Annual Report, 2021/2022.

Ms. *Leonard* presented a petition regarding the Travel Assistance Program.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 37) intituled *Energy Statutes Amendment Act, 2022*.

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

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

On clause 1 of Bill (No. 42).

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported progress on Bill (No. 42) intituled *Provincial Sales Tax Amendment Act, 2022* and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION C)

On clause 1 of Bill (No. 41).

Section C of Committee of the Whole reported progress on Bill (No. 41) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act (No. 2), 2022* 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 11.49 a.m.

Tuesday, November 22, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* moved—

That, pursuant to Standing Order 81.1 (2):

a. the question on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 37) intituled *Energy Statutes Amendment Act, 2022*, and the question on any motion in amendment thereto, be put by 2 p.m. on Tuesday, November 22, 2022, without further amendment or debate, and that, if a division is called, it shall proceed forthwith in accordance with Standing Order 16 (2);

b. the question on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 39) intituled *Judicial Review Procedure Amendment Act, 2022*, and the question on any motion in amendment thereto, be put by 3.15 p.m. on Tuesday, November 22, 2022, without further amendment or debate, and that, if a division is called, it shall proceed forthwith in accordance with Standing Order 16 (2);

c. the question on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 43) intituled *Housing Supply Act*, and the question on any motion in amendment thereto, be put by 6.30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 22, 2022, without further amendment or debate, and that, if a division is called, it shall proceed forthwith in accordance with Standing Order 16 (2); and,

d. the question on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 44) intituled *Building and Strata Statutes Amendment Act, 2022*, and the question on any motion in amendment thereto, be put by 8.45 p.m. on Tuesday, November 22, 2022, without further amendment or debate, and that, if a division is called, it shall proceed forthwith in accordance with Standing Order 16 (2).

And further, that, for greater certainty, debate on the motion for second reading of any of the noted bills may only be adjourned for the purpose of receiving a report from Section A or Section C.

Motion agreed to, on division.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 37) intituled *Energy Statutes Amendment Act, 2022*.

Pursuant to the time allocation motion adopted earlier today, all necessary questions for the disposal of second reading of Bill (No. 37) were put.

Bill (No. 37) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 39) intituled *Judicial Review Procedure Amendment Act, 2022*, a debate arose.

Pursuant to the time allocation motion adopted earlier today, all necessary questions for the disposal of second reading of Bill (No. 39) were put.

Bill (No. 39) read a second time and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for committal at the next sitting after today.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 43) intituled *Housing Supply Act*, a debate arose.

On the motion of Ms. *Furstenau*, the debate was adjourned to later today.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

Clauses 1 through 13 and the title of Bill (No. 42) passed.

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported Bill (No. 42) intituled *Provincial Sales Tax Amendment Act, 2022* complete without amendment.

Bill (No. 42) read a third time and passed.

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. 43) intituled *Housing Supply Act*.

The debate continued.

Pursuant to the time allocation motion adopted earlier today, all necessary questions for the disposal of second reading of Bill (No. 43) were put.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—53

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

NAYS—26

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

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 44) intituled *Building and Strata Statutes Amendment Act, 2022*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

Pursuant to the time allocation motion adopted earlier today, all necessary questions for the disposal of second reading of Bill (No. 44) were put.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—55

Chandra Herbert
Rice
Walker
Babchuk
Simons
Popham
Malcolmson
Beare
Chen
Kahlon
Kang
Bains
Dean
Cullen

Ma
Chow
A. Singh
Russell
Starchuk
Anderson
Donnelly
Bailey
Lore
Alexis
Routley
Heyman
Conroy
Farnworth

Eby
Robinson
Rankin
Dix
Osborne
Fleming
Ralston
Sharma
Routledge
Paddon
Sandhu
Elmore
Brar
Begg

R. Singh
D'Eith
Sims
Greene
Chant
Leonard
Coulter
Glumac
Yao
Dykeman
Mercier
Furstenau
Olsen

NAYS—26

de Jong
Doerkson
Milobar
Stone
Falcon
Bond
Halford

Ross
Oakes
Paton
Davies
Sturdy
Clovechok
Morris

Kyllo
Sturko
Kirkpatrick
Merrifield
Lee
Wat

Stewart
Shypitka
Ashton
Banman
Letnick
Tegart

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

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

On clause 1 of Bill (No. 38).

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported progress on Bill (No. 38) intituled *Indigenous Self-Government in Child and Family Services Amendment Act* and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION C)

Clauses 1 through 10 of Bill (No. 41) passed.

On clause 11 of Bill (No. 41).

Section C of Committee of the Whole reported progress on Bill (No. 41) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act (No. 2), 2022* 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 9.03 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Wednesday, November 23, 2022

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

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

On the motion of Mr. *Milobar*, Bill (No. M 217) intituled *Miscellaneous Statutes (Gas Price Relief) Amendment Act, 2022* was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting after today.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Ms. *Kirkpatrick* reserved her right to raise a question of privilege.

The Hon. *N. Cullen* (Minister of Municipal Affairs) tabled the Islands Trust Annual Report, 2021/22.

The Hon. *S. Robinson* (Minister of Finance) tabled the Statement of 2021/22 Borrowings Pursuant to Section 56 of the *Financial Administration Act*, Schedule A and Schedule B.

The Hon. *R. Kahlon* (Minister of Jobs, Economic Recovery and Innovation) tabled the InBC Investment Corp. Annual Report, 2021/2022.

The Hon. *M. Rankin* (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing) tabled the Report on Multiculturalism, 2021/2022.

The Hon. *L. Beare* (Minister of Citizens' Services) tabled the following documents:

Report on the Administration of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, 2021/22; and,

Chief Records Officer Annual Report, 2021–22.

The Hon. *G. Heyman* (Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy and Minister Responsible for TransLink) tabled the following documents:

Climate Change Accountability Report, 2022; and,

Environmental Emergency Program Report to the Legislature, 2021–2022.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

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

Bill (No. 43) intituled *Housing Supply Act* was committed.

Clause 1 of Bill (No. 43) passed.

On clause 2 of Bill (No. 43).

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

Bill to be considered later today.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION C)

Clauses 11 through 16 and the title of Bill (No. 41) passed.

Section C of Committee of the Whole reported Bill (No. 41) intituled *Workers Compensation Amendment Act (No. 2), 2022* complete without amendment.

Bill (No. 41) read a third time and passed.

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

Bill (No. 43) intituled *Housing Supply Act* was again committed.

Clauses 2 through 16 of Bill (No. 43) passed.

On clause 17 of Bill (No. 43).

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

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

Clauses 1 through 31 of Bill (No. 38) passed.

On clause 32 of Bill (No. 38).

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported progress on Bill (No. 38) intituled *Indigenous Self-Government in Child and Family Services Amendment Act* and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION C)

Clauses 110 through 188 of Bill (No. 36) passed.

On clause 189 of Bill (No. 36).

Section C of Committee of the Whole reported progress on Bill (No. 36) intituled *Health Professions and Occupations 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 9.51 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Thursday, November 24, 2022

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Yao*.

Order called for "Members' Statements."

Order called for "Oral Questions by Members."

Ms. *Kirkpatrick* raised a question of privilege regarding comments made by the Minister of Children and Family Development during Oral Question Period on November 23, 2022, with respect to recommendations in the report of the Select Standing Committee on Children and Youth, Children and Youth with Neuro-Diverse Special Needs, October 2019, and tabled related documents.

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

Mr. *Stone* sought leave to move Motion 24.

Leave not granted.

The House proceeded to "Orders of the Day."

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

Bill (No. 43) intituled *Housing Supply Act* was again committed.

Clauses 17 through 21 and the title of Bill (No. 43) passed.

The motion that the Committee rise and report Bill (No. 43) complete without amendment was agreed to *nemine contradicente* on the following division:

YEAS— 79

<i>Chandra Herbert</i> <i>Walker</i> <i>Babchuk</i> <i>Simons</i> <i>Malcolmson</i> <i>Beare</i> <i>Chen</i> <i>Kahlon</i> <i>Kang</i> <i>Bains</i> <i>Dean</i> <i>Cullen</i> <i>Ma</i> <i>Chow</i> <i>A. Singh</i> <i>Russell</i> <i>Starchuk</i> <i>Anderson</i> <i>Donnelly</i> <i>Lore</i>	<i>Alexis</i> <i>Routley</i> <i>Heyman</i> <i>Conroy</i> <i>Farnworth</i> <i>Eby</i> <i>Robinson</i> <i>Rankin</i> <i>Dix</i> <i>Osborne</i> <i>Fleming</i> <i>Ralston</i> <i>Sharma</i> <i>Routledge</i> <i>Paddon</i> <i>Sandhu</i> <i>Elmore</i> <i>Brar</i> <i>Begg</i> <i>R. Singh</i>	<i>D'Eith</i> <i>Sims</i> <i>Greene</i> <i>Chant</i> <i>Leonard</i> <i>Coulter</i> <i>Glumac</i> <i>Yao</i> <i>Dykeman</i> <i>Mercier</i> <i>de Jong</i> <i>Doerkson</i> <i>Milobar</i> <i>Stone</i> <i>Falcon</i> <i>Bond</i> <i>Halford</i> <i>Ross</i> <i>Oakes</i> <i>Bernier</i>	<i>Paton</i> <i>Davies</i> <i>Sturdy</i> <i>Clovechok</i> <i>Morris</i> <i>Kyllo</i> <i>Sturko</i> <i>Kirkpatrick</i> <i>Merrifield</i> <i>Lee</i> <i>Wat</i> <i>Stewart</i> <i>Shypitka</i> <i>Ashton</i> <i>Banman</i> <i>Letnick</i> <i>Furstenau</i> <i>Olsen</i> <i>Rustad</i>
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Bill (No. 43) reported complete without amendment.

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

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

YEAS—80

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

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

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

Clauses 32 through 34 of Bill (No. 38) passed.

On clause 35 of Bill (No. 38).

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported progress on Bill (No. 38) intituled *Indigenous Self-Government in Child and Family Services Amendment Act* and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION C)

Clauses 189 through 196 of Bill (No. 36) passed.

On clause 197 of Bill (No. 36).

Section C of Committee of the Whole reported progress on Bill (No. 36) intituled *Health Professions and Occupations 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 12.06 p.m.

Thursday, November 24, 2022

ONE O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. *M. Dean* (Minister of Children and Family Development) made representations regarding the question of privilege raised earlier today by Ms. *Kirkpatrick*.

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

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* moved—

That, pursuant to Standing Order 81.1 (2):

1. All remaining stages of consideration of Bill (No. 39) intituled *Judicial Review Procedure Amendment Act, 2022* be disposed of by 1.30 p.m. on Thursday, November 24, 2022.

- a. If at 1.25 p.m., the bill is still being considered at committee stage, the Chair shall forthwith put any remaining question to complete the consideration 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.
- b. Once the title of the bill has passed, the committee shall rise and report the bill complete with or without amendment, as the case may be, to the House.
- c. Immediately thereafter, 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 the bill shall be put forthwith without amendment or debate.
- d. If a division is called on the motion for third reading of the bill, the division shall proceed forthwith in accordance with Standing Order 16 (2).

2. All remaining stages of consideration of Bill (No. 36) intituled *Health Professions and Occupations Act* be disposed of by 5 p.m. on Thursday, November 24, 2022.

- a. If at 4.40 p.m., the bill is still being considered at committee stage, the Chair shall forthwith put any remaining question to complete the consideration 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.
- b. Once the title of the bill has passed, the committee shall rise and report the bill complete with or without amendment, as the case may be, to the House.
- c. Immediately thereafter, 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 the bill shall be put forthwith without amendment or debate.
- d. If a division is called on the motion for third reading of the bill, the division shall proceed forthwith in accordance with Standing Order 16 (2).

3. All remaining stages of consideration of Bill (No. 37) intituled *Energy Statutes Amendment Act, 2022* be disposed of by 5 p.m. on Thursday, November 24, 2022.

- a. If at 4.40 p.m., the bill is still being considered at committee stage, the Chair shall forthwith put any remaining question to complete the consideration 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.

- b. That, notwithstanding section 3 (a), if at 4.40 p.m., the committee has not considered the amendment to the bill standing on the Order Paper in the name of the Minister of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation, the amendment to clause 47 shall be deemed to have passed, and clause 47, as amended, shall be deemed to have passed.
 - c. Once the title of the bill has passed, the committee shall rise and report the bill complete with or without amendment, as the case may be, to the House.
 - d. Immediately thereafter, 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 the bill shall be put forthwith without amendment or debate.
 - e. If a division is called on the motion for third reading of the bill, the division shall proceed forthwith in accordance with Standing Order 16 (2).
4. All remaining stages of consideration of Bill (No. 44) intituled *Building and Strata Statutes Amendment Act, 2022* be disposed of by 5 p.m. on Thursday, November 24, 2022.
- a. If at 4.55 p.m., the bill is still being considered at committee stage, the Chair shall forthwith put any remaining question to complete the consideration 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.
 - b. Once the title of the bill has passed, the committee shall rise and report the bill complete with or without amendment, as the case may be, to the House.
 - c. Immediately thereafter, 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 the bill shall be put forthwith without amendment or debate.
 - d. If a division is called on the motion for third reading of the bill, the division shall proceed forthwith in accordance with Standing Order 16 (2).

And further, that, for greater certainty, a committee considering a bill in Section B may rise and report progress for the purpose of receiving a report from Section A or Section C in accordance with this order.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—48

Chandra Herbert
Walker
Simons
Malcolmson
Beare
Chen
Kahlon
Kang
Bains
Dean
Cullen
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Chow
A. Singh
Starchuk
Anderson
Donnelly
Lore
Alexis
Routley
Heyman
Conroy
Farnworth
Eby

Robinson
Rankin
Dix
Osborne
Fleming
Ralston
Sharma
Routledge
Paddon
Sandhu
Elmore
Brar

Begg
R. Singh
D'Eith
Sims
Greene
Chant
Leonard
Coulter
Glumac
Yao
Dykeman
Mercier

NAYS—28

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

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

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

Bill (No. 39) intituled *Judicial Review Procedure Amendment Act, 2022* was committed.

Pursuant to the time allocation motion adopted earlier today, all necessary questions for the disposal of Committee stage of Bill (No. 39) were put and deemed to have passed.

Clauses 1 through 3 and the title of Bill (No. 39) passed.

Pursuant to the time allocation motion adopted earlier today, all necessary questions for the disposal of all remaining stages of Bill (No. 39) were put.

Bill (No. 39) reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed, on division.

Bill (No. 44) intituled *Building and Strata Statutes Amendment Act, 2022* was committed.

Clauses 1 through 15 of Bill (No. 44) passed.

On clause 16 of Bill (No. 44).

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

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

Clauses 35 through 60 and the title of Bill (No. 38) passed.

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported Bill (No. 38) intituled *Indigenous Self-Government in Child and Family Services Amendment Act* complete without amendment.

Bill (No. 38) read a third time and passed.

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

Bill (No. 44) intituled *Building and Strata Statutes Amendment Act, 2022* was again committed.

Clause 16 of Bill (No. 44) passed on the following division:

YEAS—73

Walker
Simons
Malcolmson
Beare
Kahlon
Kang
Bains
Dean
Cullen
Ma
Chow
A. Singh
Starchuk
Anderson
Donnelly
Lore
Alexis
Heyman
Conroy

Farnworth
Eby
Robinson
Rankin
Dix
Osborne
Fleming
Ralston
Sharma
Routledge
Paddon
Elmore
Brar
Begg
R. Singh
D'Eith
Sims
Greene

Chant
Leonard
Coulter
Glumac
Yao
Dykeman
Mercier
de Jong
Doerkson
Milobar
Stone
Falcon
Bond
Halford
Ross
Oakes
Bernier
Davies

Sturdy
Clovechok
Morris
Kyllo
Sturko
Kirkpatrick
Merrifield
Lee
Wat
Stewart
Shypitka
Ashton
Banman
Letnick
Tegart
Furstenau
Olsen
Rustad

NAYS—1

Routley

Clause 17 of Bill (No. 44) passed.

Clause 18 of Bill (No. 44) passed, on division.

Clauses 19 through 31 and the title of Bill (No. 44) passed.

Bill (No. 44) reported complete without amendment.

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 44) the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—46

Chandra Herbert
Simons
Malcolmson
Beare
Chen
Kahlon
Kang
Bains
Dean
Cullen
Ma
Chow

A. Singh
Starchuk
Anderson
Lore
Alexis
Routley
Heyman
Conroy
Farnworth
Eby
Robinson
Rankin

Dix
Osborne
Fleming
Ralston
Sharma
Routledge
Paddon
Brar
Begg
R. Singh
D'Eith

Sims
Greene
Chant
Leonard
Coulter
Glumac
Yao
Dykeman
Mercier
Furstenau
Olsen

NAYS—26

de Jong
Doerkson
Milobar
Stone
Falcon
Bond
Halford

Ross
Oakes
Bernier
Sturdy
Clovechok
Morris
Kyllo

Sturko
Kirkpatrick
Merrifield
Lee
Wat
Stewart

Shypitka
Ashton
Banman
Letnick
Tegart
Rustad

Bill (No. 44) read a third time and passed.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

Clauses 1 through 13 of Bill (No. 37) passed.

Pursuant to the time allocation motion adopted earlier today, all necessary questions for the disposal of Committee stage of Bill (No. 37) were put and deemed to have passed.

Clause 14 of Bill (No. 37) passed, on division.

Clauses 15 through 46 of Bill (No. 37) passed.

A proposed amendment by the Hon. *B. Ralston* (Minister of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation) on the Order Paper to clause 47 of Bill (No. 37) passed.

Clause 47, as amended, of Bill (No. 37) passed.

Clauses 48 through 77, the schedules and the title of Bill (No. 37) passed.

Pursuant to the time allocation motion adopted earlier today, all necessary questions for the disposal of all remaining stages of Bill (No. 37) were put.

Section A of Committee of the Whole reported Bill (No. 37) intituled *Energy Statutes Amendment Act, 2022* complete with amendment.

Bill (No. 37) read a third time and passed.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION C)

Clauses 197 through 232 of Bill (No. 36) passed.

Pursuant to the time allocation motion adopted earlier today, all necessary questions for the disposal of Committee stage of Bill (No. 36) were put and deemed to have passed.

Clauses 233 through 645 of Bill (No. 36) passed, on division.

The title of Bill (No. 36) passed.

Pursuant to the time allocation motion adopted earlier today, all necessary questions for the disposal of all remaining stages of Bill (No. 36) were put.

Section C of Committee of the Whole reported Bill (No. 36) intituled *Health Professions and Occupations Act* complete with amendment.

On the motion for third reading of Bill (No. 36) the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—46

Chandra Herbert
Simons
Malcolmson
Beare
Chen
Kahlon
Kang
Bains
Dean
Cullen
Ma
Chow

A. Singh
Starchuk
Anderson
Lore
Alexis
Routley
Heyman
Conroy
Farnworth
Eby
Robinson
Rankin

Dix
Osborne
Fleming
Ralston
Sharma
Routledge
Paddon
Brar
Begg
R. Singh
D'Eith

Sims
Greene
Chant
Leonard
Coulter
Glumac
Yao
Dykeman
Mercier
Furstenau
Olsen

NAYS—25

de Jong
Doerkson
Milobar
Stone
Falcon
Bond
Halford

Ross
Oakes
Bernier
Sturdy
Clovechok
Morris

Kyllo
Sturko
Kirkpatrick
Merrifield
Lee
Wat

Stewart
Shypitka
Ashton
Banman
Tegart
Rustad

Bill (No. 36) read a third time and passed.

The Speaker delivered his reserved decision as follows:

Honourable Members:

The Chair is prepared to rule on the question of privilege raised by the Member for West Vancouver-Capilano earlier today, which was taken under advisement. In the interests of time, the Chair's ruling will be brief.

The Member for West Vancouver-Capilano took objection to remarks made by the Minister of Children and Family Development during Oral Question Period on November 23, 2022. The Chair thanks the Member for West Vancouver-Capilano for her submission and the Minister of Children and Family Development for her response. The submission of the Member for West Vancouver-Capilano does not address an alleged breach of privilege, but rather disputes remarks made by the Minister and asks the Minister to withdraw the remarks.

Upon review of the Member's submission and the Minister's response, the matter at hand appears to be one of disagreement or debate between two Members, and is therefore not a matter for the Chair to weigh into or adjudicate. As such, it is the ruling of the Chair that a *prima facie* breach of privilege has not occurred.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

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. 36) *Health Professions and Occupations Act*.

Bill (No. 37) *Energy Statutes Amendment Act, 2022*.

Bill (No. 38) *Indigenous Self-Government in Child and Family Services Amendment Act*.

Bill (No. 39) *Judicial Review Procedure Amendment Act, 2022*.

Bill (No. 40) *Passenger Transportation Amendment Act (No. 2), 2022*.

Bill (No. 41) *Workers Compensation Amendment Act (No. 2), 2022*.

Bill (No. 42) *Provincial Sales Tax Amendment Act, 2022*.

Bill (No. 43) *Housing Supply Act*.

Bill (No. 44) *Building and Strata Statutes Amendment Act, 2022*.

Her Honour was pleased in His 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 His Majesty's name, Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor doth assent to these Acts."

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to retire.

The Hon. *M. Farnworth* (Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General and Deputy Premier) tabled the Gaming Policy and Enforcement Branch Annual Report, 2021/22.

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 Third 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 5.26 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

Monday, February 6, 2023

TWELVE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by Mr. *Singh*.

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

Legislative Assembly Management Committee Accountability Report 2021–22, November 2022;

Elections BC, Report of the Chief Electoral Officer, 2022 Vancouver-Quilchena and Surrey South By-elections;

Merit Commissioner Report, Merit Performance Audit Report, Upholding Fair Hiring in the Public Service, 2021/22, December 2022;

Registrar of Lobbyists, Determination Decision 22–01, Cisco Systems Canada Co., Designated Filer: Shannon Leininger, August 30, 2022;

Registrar of Lobbyists, Reconsideration Report 22–01, Designated Filer: Shannon Leininger, December 1, 2022;

Ombudsperson Referral Report No. 3, Final Assessment of Implementation of Recommendations, Misfire: The 2012 Ministry of Health Employment Terminations and Related Matters, November 2022;

Ombudsperson Special Report No. 51, Making Amends: The Importance of Exercising Discretion Fairly, December 2022; and,

Ombudsperson Special Report No. 52, Fairness by Design, An Administrative Fairness Self-Assessment Guide, December 2022.

By leave, the Hon. *R. Kahlon* moved—

That the written agreement between the Government House Leader, the Official Opposition House Leader, and the Third Party House Leader, dated January 26, 2023, be ratified, confirming the following membership changes effective January 27, 2023:

Jennifer Rice, Garry Begg, Spencer Chandra Herbert, Ronna-Rae Leonard, Doug Routley and Susie Chant replace *Rick Glumac, Hon. Dan Coulter, Brittney Anderson, Hon. Andrew Mercier, Kelly Greene and Adam Walker* as Members of the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts for the Third Session of the Forty-second Parliament.

Jackie Tegart replace *Norm Letnick* as a Member of the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts for the Third Session of the Forty-second Parliament.

Motion agreed to.

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 Third Session of the Forty-second Parliament of British Columbia, on behalf of all British Columbians, I note that in this session we enacted 43 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. *N. Sharma* (Attorney General) 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 report was received by the Office of the Clerk during adjournment:
Budget 2022 Second Quarterly Report, November 2022.

And then the House prorogued at 12.13 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

PROCLAMATION

[L.S.]

JANET AUSTIN
*Lieutenant Governor*CANADA:
PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

CHARLES THE THIRD, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom, Canada and His other Realms and Territories,
KING, 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 sixth day of February, two thousand twenty-three 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 twentieth day of January, two thousand twenty-three and in the first year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND.