

No. 39

ORDERS OF THE DAY
OF THE
Legislative Assembly of British Columbia

First Session of the Forty-third Parliament

Monday, April 14, 2025

10 A.M.

ROUTINE BUSINESS

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STATEMENTS (STANDING ORDER 25B)

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ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

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MOTIONS ON NOTICE

(See Schedule A—Government Motions)

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WRITTEN QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

(See Schedule B)

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS ON NOTICE

- 5** The Hon. *Brenda Bailey* to move, in Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 5) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2025*, to amend as follows:

CLAUSE 25, by deleting the text shown as struck out and adding the underlined text as shown:

- 25** *Section 131 (1) is amended by adding the following paragraphs:*

(a) in subsection (1), by adding the following paragraphs:

- (j) prescribing as an eligible apprenticeship program an apprenticeship program designed to certify or license an individual in a trade prescribed in respect of British Columbia for the purposes of the definition of “eligible apprentice” in section 127 (9) of the federal Act;
- (k) for the purposes of section 120, establishing requirements for an eligible apprenticeship program as level 1 apprenticeship requirements;
- (l) for the purposes of section 120, establishing requirements for an eligible apprenticeship program as level 2 apprenticeship requirements. and

(b) by repealing subsection (2) and substituting the following:

- (2) In making regulations under subsection (1) (d) to (g), (k) and (l), the Commissioner of Income Tax may do one or more of the following:
 - (a) establish different requirements for different
 - (i) eligible recognized programs,
 - (ii) eligible training programs, and
 - (iii) eligible apprenticeship programs;
 - (b) define classes of eligible recognized programs, eligible training programs and eligible apprenticeship programs and make different regulations for different classes of those programs;
 - (c) adopt a level of requirements established by SkilledTradesBC for an eligible recognized program, eligible training program or eligible apprenticeship program
 - (i) in whole, in part or with any changes considered appropriate, and
 - (ii) as it stands at a specific date, as it stands at the time of adoption or as amended from time to time.

- 7** The Hon. *Niki Sharma* to move, in Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 7) intituled *Economic Stabilization (Tariff Response) Act*, to amend as follows:

CLAUSE 3, by adding the underlined text as shown:

Amending regulatory provisions

- 3** (1) In this section:

“agreement” means an agreement or arrangement relating to trade entered into under section 5 (a) (i) of the *Ministry of International Business and Immigration Act* on or after March 3, 2025;

“authorizing enactment” means an enactment under which a regulatory authority may make a regulatory provision;

“regulatory authority” means a person or other body, whether or not a governmental entity and including any other prescribed person or body, that has, by an enactment, been granted authority to enact a regulatory provision related to any of the following:

- (a) the establishment of standards or certification requirements relating to goods or services;
- (b) the assessment of goods or services against established standards or certification requirements;
- (c) the official recognition that a good or service meets established standards or certification requirements;

“regulatory provision” means a bylaw, rule, resolution, practice, policy, standard, procedure, measure or other record that

- (a) is made under an authorizing enactment, and
- (b) affects or may affect the trade in goods or supply of services into British Columbia.

(2) A regulatory authority’s ability under an authorizing enactment to make a regulatory provision includes the power to

- (a) amend the regulatory provision to make it comply with this Part, the regulations made under this Part or an agreement, and
- (b) repeal the regulatory provision if it does not comply with this Part, the regulations made under this Part or an agreement.

(3) The minister charged with the administration of the Act under which a regulatory provision is made

- (a) may request the regulatory authority to amend the regulatory provision to make it comply with this Part, the regulations made under this Part or an agreement and, in doing so, may provide directions as to how the regulatory provision should read or what it should or should not contain, or
- (b) may request the regulatory authority to repeal the regulatory provision.

(4) If the regulatory authority does not comply with a request made under subsection (3) within 60 days after the date of the request, the requesting minister may, by order, do one or more of the following:

- (a) make a regulatory provision that complies with this Part, the regulations made under this Part or an agreement;
- (b) amend a regulatory provision to make it comply with this Part, the regulations made under this Part or an agreement;
- (c) repeal a regulatory provision that does not comply with this Part, the regulations made under this Part or an agreement.

(5) A regulatory provision made or amended under subsection (2) (a) or (4) (a) or (b) prevails if there is a conflict or inconsistency between

- (a) the regulatory provision made or amended under subsection (2) (a) or (4) (a) or (b), and
- (b) a bylaw, rule, resolution, practice, policy, standard, procedure, measure or other record made under the applicable authorizing enactment.

- (6) This section prevails if there is a conflict or inconsistency between
 - (a) this section, and
 - (b) any other enactment or any other record of, or applicable to, a regulatory authority.
- (7) A request made under subsection (3) must be published as soon as practicable by the minister on a publicly available website.

CLAUSE 6, by deleting the text shown as struck out and adding the underlined text as shown:

Definitions for this Part

6 In this Part:

“government procurement entity” means

- (a) ~~a government organization, as defined in the *Budget Transparency and Accountability Act*, other than a corporation or organization that is excluded from this definition by regulation under section 11 of this Act, and~~
- (b) ~~a corporation or organization that is included in this definition by regulation under section 11;~~

“government procurement entity” means a government organization, as defined in the *Budget Transparency and Accountability Act*;

“procurement”, in relation to the procurement of goods or services, includes sourcing, selecting, receiving and contracting for goods or services and other steps taken to acquire goods or services;

“protected person” means the following:

- (a) a government procurement entity;
- (b) a person who is a member, director, officer or employee of a government procurement entity.

CLAUSE 7, by adding the underlined text as shown:

Procurement directives

- 7** (1) The Lieutenant Governor in Council may issue directives in relation to the procurement of goods or services by the government or government procurement entities.
- (2) This section applies despite sections 4 and 4.1 of the *Financial Administration Act*.
- (3) If there is a conflict or inconsistency between an enactment and a directive issued under subsection (1), the directive prevails.
- (4) A government procurement entity must comply with a directive of the Lieutenant Governor in Council issued to the government procurement entity.
- (5) A directive issued under subsection (1) must be published as soon as practicable by the minister on a publicly available website.

CLAUSE 10, by deleting the text shown as struck out and adding the underlined text as shown:

General powers respecting directives

- 10** (1) In issuing a directive under this Part, the Lieutenant Governor in Council may do one or more of the following:
 - ~~(a) delegate a matter in person;~~
 - (a) delegate a matter to
 - (i) a minister,
 - (ii) a person who is employed in the government, or
 - (iii) a person who is a member, director, officer or employee of a government procurement entity;

- (b) ~~confer a discretion on a person;~~
 - (b) confer a discretion on
 - (i) a minister,
 - (ii) a person who is employed in the government, or
 - (iii) a person who is a member, director, officer or employee of a government procurement entity;
 - (c) establish terms and conditions;
 - (d) provide for exemptions;
 - (e) establish or define classes of government procurement entities, procurements, goods, services, circumstances, matters or other things;
 - (f) make different directives in relation to different ministries, government procurement entities, procurements, goods, services, circumstances, matters or other things, or different classes of government procurement entities, procurements, goods, services, circumstances, matters or other things.
- (2) A directive issued on or before June 30, 2025 under this Part may be made retroactive to February 1, 2025 or a later date and, if made retroactive, is deemed to have been issued on the specified date.

CLAUSE 11, by deleting clause 11.

CLAUSES 19 to 26, by deleting clauses 19 to 26.

CLAUSE 29, by deleting the text shown as struck out and adding the underlined text as shown:

Repeal

- 29** (1) Subject to subsection (2), the following are repealed on May 28, ~~2027~~2026:
- (a) Part 1;
 - (b) sections 6, 7, and 10~~and 11~~;
 - (c) Part 3~~;~~
 - (d) ~~sections 19 to 24.~~
- (2) The Lieutenant Governor in Council may, by regulation, repeal a provision of this Act referred to in subsection (1) (a) to (d)~~(c)~~ on a date earlier than May 28, ~~2027~~2026.
- (3) Unless earlier repealed, a regulation made under this Act is repealed on May 28, ~~2027~~2026.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

THRONE SPEECH DEBATE

(Hon Chan adjourned the debate.)

BUDGET DEBATE (INCLUDING COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY)

COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY

Estimates.

Report of Resolutions passed in Committee of Supply

SECTION A: March 31, April 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 10.

SECTION B: April 1, 10.

APRIL 14, 2025

PRIVATE MEMBERS' TIME

*(Monday morning only)**(See Schedule D)*

PUBLIC BILLS AND ORDERS AND GOVERNMENT MOTIONS ON NOTICE

COMMITTEE

Committee—

Bill (No. 7) intituled *Economic Stabilization (Tariff Response) Act*, PRINTED. Hon. Attorney General and Deputy Premier.

SECOND READING

Second Reading—

Bill (No. 1) intituled *An Act to Ensure the Supremacy of Parliament*, PRINTED. Hon. Attorney General and Deputy Premier.

Second Reading—

Bill (No. 5) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2025*, PRINTED. Hon. Minister of Finance.

Second Reading—

Bill (No. 9) intituled *Health Care Costs Recovery Amendment Act, 2025*, PRINTED. Hon. Minister of Health.

PRIVATE BILLS

PUBLIC BILLS IN THE HANDS OF PRIVATE MEMBERS

(See Schedule D)

ADJOURNED DEBATE ON OTHER MOTIONS

KATE RYAN-LLOYD*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly*

SCHEDULE A

MOTIONS ON NOTICE

18 The Hon. *Laanas / Tamara Davidson* to move—

That this House:

1. Acknowledges the findings of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission and the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls that cultural genocide occurred in Canada.

2. Recognizes this cultural genocide was born out of the Canadian government's multifaceted attempts to separate Indigenous people from their land, culture, and languages and that residential schools were a key pillar of this strategy.

3. Recognizes that the remains of 4,000 Indigenous children remain buried in marked and unmarked graves at residential school sites across the country.

4. Recognizes that decades of legal precedent in Canada and British Columbia have affirmed the existence of Indigenous rights and title, which places an obligation on government to acknowledge, respect, and uphold these rights and title.

5. Accepts that the voices of residential school survivors, intergenerational survivors, their families, and communities must be at the centre of all discussions on the real and ongoing impacts of this tragic chapter of Canadian history.

SCHEDULE B

WRITTEN QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

1 *Reann Gasper* to ask the Hon. Minister of Education and Child Care the following questions:—

1. Were any concerns identified in the Ministry's Preliminary Review Report on the \$10-a-Day Prototype Sites shared with federal officials prior to the 2021 signing of the Canada-Wide Early Learning and Child Care (CW-ELCC) agreement?

2. If any concerns from the Preliminary Review Report were shared with the federal government before the 2021 agreement was finalized, which concerns were communicated and through what method or documentation?

3. With respect to the administration of federal child care funds, has the Ministry submitted any reports to the federal government explaining delays in spending of the need to carry forward unspent funding?

4. What amount of federal child care funding carried over from each fiscal year between 2021–22 and 2024–25 remains unspent as of April 2025?

5. Has the federal government placed any specific restrictions, deadlines, or conditions on how B.C. is to use federal child care funds that were carried forward from previous fiscal years?

6. Has the Ministry received any formal notice, correspondence, or comment from the federal government regarding B.C.'s performance or compliance under the CW-ELCC agreement?

7. Has the Ministry been asked by the federal government to return or reallocate any portion of unspent federal child care funding between the fiscal years 2021–22 and 2024–25?

8. Has the Ministry reprofiled any federal or provincial child care funding carried into future years for program areas that were not originally budgeted for in the prior year?

9. How much federal child care funding received under the CW-ELCC agreement was carried forward from one fiscal year to the next, beginning with 2021–22?

10. Has the federal government provided any communication or guidance to the Ministry regarding the timing or release of the 2023–24 CW-ELCC annual report?

11. Has the federal government provided any direction or informal guidance to the Ministry about releasing CW-ELCC reports during an election period?

12. How many draft versions of the 2023–24 CW-ELCC annual report were produced prior to the final version submitted to the federal government?

13. What deliverables were included in the Ministry's contract with MNP for support on the 2023–24 CW-ELCC annual report, and on what date was the final deliverable provided?

14. What rationale, if any, is documented in ministry records for not releasing the Preliminary Review Report on the \$10-a-Day Prototype Sites to the public?

15. Was the Preliminary Review Report shared internally with the Premier's office, Cabinet Policy and Priorities Secretariat, or the Ministry of Finance before the decision to expand the \$10-a-Day program?

16. What internal briefing notes, memos, or decision documents were produced by the Ministry in response to the Preliminary Review Report on the \$10-a-Day Prototype Sites?

17. How many policy options or alternative fee models did the Ministry consider between January 2020 and August 2020 in response to concerns about the \$10-a-Day flat fee's financial sustainability?

18. What policy or operational changes, if any, did the Ministry make in response to concerns raised in the Preliminary Review Report before or during the expansion of the \$10-a-Day program?

19. On what date did the Ministry receive the internal evaluation timeline from Malatest & Associates that outlined decision options such as "Wind Down", "Hold Steady", or "Expand" for the \$10-a-Day Prototype Sites, and which of those options was selected?

20. How many prototype sites were associated with each decision pathway in the Malatest evaluation (“Wind Down”, “Hold Steady”, “Expand”), and what were the estimated costs tied to each?

21. What factors were cited in Ministry records as justification for proceeding with the “Expand” decision prior to the release of the Final Evaluation Report?

22. On what date did Cabinet and/or Treasury Board approve the expansion of the \$10-a-Day program beyond the original 53 prototype sites?

23. Has the Ministry conducted any financial modelling or risk analysis assessing the sustainability of the \$10-a-Day program in the event of reduced or withdrawn federal funding?

24. Of the \$772 million in federal and provincial funding allocated to \$10-a-Day ChildCareBC Centres between 2024–25 and 2026–27, what portion is designated for operating existing centres versus creating new spaces?

25. Of the infant-toddler spaces currently participating in the \$10-a-Day program, how many were newly created and how many were converted from existing spaces?

26. What internal benchmarks or indicators does the Ministry use to evaluate the cost-effectiveness of \$10-a-Day child care spaces by age group?

27. What accountability measures are in place to ensure that \$10-a-Day spaces are reaching families with the greatest need for affordable child care?

28. What measures has the Ministry implemented to prevent situations where families occupy \$10-a-Day spaces on a part-time basis while receiving full-time subsidies (sometimes referred to as “space hoarding”)?

29. How many \$10-a-Day ChildCareBC Centres have exited or withdrawn from the program since it began?

30. On what dates did the Ministry submit its Action Plans to the federal government under the CW-ELCC agreement for the fiscal years 2021–22 through 2025–26?

31. What supporting documents or data were included with the Ministry’s CW-ELCC Action Plan submissions to the federal government?

32. Has the Ministry received formal approval from the federal government for each CW-ELCC Action Plan it submitted between 2021–22 and 2025–26?

33. Has the Ministry proposed any amendments to its previously approved CW-ELCC Action Plans, and if so, on what dates were those amendments submitted?

34. What child care space creation targets were included in each CW-ELCC Action Plan submitted by the Ministry since 2021?

SCHEDULE D

PRIVATE MEMBERS' TIME

(Monday morning only)

(D number denotes order of precedence)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' STATEMENTS (STANDING ORDER 25A)

PUBLIC BILLS IN THE HANDS OF PRIVATE MEMBERS

COMMITTED TO THE SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON PRIVATE BILLS AND PRIVATE MEMBERS' BILLS

- [D1] Committee—
Bill (No. M 202) intituled *Eligibility to Hold Public Office Act*, PRINTED. *Darlene Rotchford*.
(March 3, 2025.)
- [D2] Committee—
Bill (No. M 204) intituled *Perinatal and Postnatal Mental Health Strategy Act*, PRINTED.
Jody Toor. (March 10, 2025.)
- [D3] Committee—
Bill (No. M 205) intituled *Mental Health Amendment Act, 2025*, PRINTED. *Elenore Sturko*.
(April 7, 2025.)

PUBLIC BILLS IN THE HANDS OF PRIVATE MEMBERS AND PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS

ADJOURNED DEBATE

- [D4] Adjourned Debate on Second Reading—
Bill (No. M 208) intituled *Emergency and Disaster Management Amendment Act, 2025*, PRINTED.
Macklin McCall. (*David Williams* adjourned the debate.)

ITEMS BELOW NOT LISTED IN ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

(* Denotes Member's intended item of business)

SECOND READING

- Second Reading—
Bill (No. M 201) intituled *Low Carbon Fuels Amendment Act, 2025*, PRINTED. *Kiel Giddens*.
- Second Reading—
Bill (No. M 203) intituled *Free Trade and Mobility Within Canada Act*, PRINTED. *John Rustad*.
- Second Reading—
Bill (No. M 206) intituled *Interpretation (Pacific Daylight Time) Amendment Act, 2025*, PRINTED.
John Rustad.
- Second Reading—
Bill (No. M 207) intituled *Greenhouse Gas Industrial Reporting and Control Repeal Act*, PRINTED.
Peter Milobar.

* Second Reading—
Bill (No. M 209) intituled *Tax Relief and Tariff Defence Act*, PRINTED. *Dallas Brodie*.

Second Reading—
Bill (No. M 210) intituled *Korean Heritage Month Act*, NOT PRINTED. *Paul Choi*.

Second Reading—
Bill (No. M 211) intituled *Consumer Choice (Zero-Emission Vehicles) Repeal Act, 2025*, NOT PRINTED. *Hon Chan*.

PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS ON NOTICE

12 *Dallas Brodie* to move—

That this House affirms its commitment to defending the sovereignty of Canada, and hereby condemns threats of annexation by the United States, efforts to influence Canadian elections by the Chinese Communist Party, and unilateral assertions of sovereignty by Indigenous bands or other groups within British Columbia.

16 *Paul Choi* to move—

That this House supports the speculation and vacancy tax which is turning empty homes into homes for people.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS ON NOTICE TO PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS

17 *Stephanie Higginson* to move—

That Motion 12 be amended by deleting all the words after “elections” and substituting therefor the following: “by any foreign government, including the Chinese Communist Party.”

LIST OF PRECEDENCE FOR PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

(Last revised on April 7, 2025)

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| 1. Dallas Brodie | 21. Brennan Day | 40. Dana Lajeunesse |
| 2. Hon Chan | 22. Jordan Kealy | 41. Korky Neufeld |
| 3. Paul Choi | 23. Sheldon Clare | 42. Trevor Halford |
| 4. Misty Van Popta | 24. Amna Shah | 43. Ian Paton |
| 5. Mable Elmore | 25. Bryan Tepper | 44. Donegal Wilson |
| 6. Steve Kooner | 26. Heather Maahs | 45. Scott McInnis |
| 7. George Anderson | 27. Qwulti'stunaat / | 46. Bruce Banman |
| 8. Ward Stamer | Debra Toporowski | 47. Lynne Block |
| 9. Anna Kindy | 28. Sunita Dhir | 48. Kristina Loewen |
| 10. Nina Krieger | 29. John Rustad | 49. Claire Rattée |
| 11. Janet Routledge | 30. Susie Chant | 50. Stephanie Higginson |
| 12. Rosalyn Bird | 31. Tara Armstrong | 51. Linda Hepner |
| 13. Teresa Wat | 32. Reann Gasper | 52. Amelia Boultsbee |
| 14. Sharon Hartwell | 33. Amshen / Joan Phillip | 53. Mandeep Dhaliwal |
| 15. Tony Luck | 34. Harman Bhangu | 54. Brent Chapman |
| 16. Kiel Giddens | 35. Rob Botterell | 55. Peter Milobar |
| 17. David Williams | 36. Jessie Sunner | 56. Pete Davis |
| 18. Gavin Dew | 37. Lorne Doerkson | 57. Á'a:liya Warbus |
| 19. Steve Morissette | 38. Rohini Arora | 58. Larry Neufeld |
| 20. Harwinder Sandhu | 39. Jeremy Valeriote | 59. Lawrence Mok |