

No. 79

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Legislative Assembly of British Columbia

First Session of the Forty-third Parliament

Wednesday, October 8, 2025

ONE-THIRTY O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers and Reflections by *Lawrence Mok*.

The Hon. *Niki Sharma* (Attorney General and Deputy Premier) presented to the Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which read as follows:

WENDY COCCHIA
Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits herewith Bill (No. 24) intituled *Vaping Product Damages and Health Care Costs Recovery Act* and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
October 7, 2025.

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 *Tara Armstrong* that a bill intituled *Protecting Minors from Gender Transition Act* be introduced and read a first time, the House divided.

Motion negatived on the following division:

NAYS—48

Lore
G. Anderson
Blatherwick
Routledge
Chant
Toporowski
B. Anderson
Neill
Osborne
Brar
Krieger
Davidson

Parmar
Sunner
Beare
Chandra Herbert
Wickens
Kang
Sandhu
Begg
Higginson
Lajeunesse
Choi
Rotchford

Elmore
Morissette
Popham
Dix
Sharma
Farnworth
Eby
Bailey
Kahlon
Greene
Whiteside
Boyle

Ma
Yung
Malcolmson
Gibson
Glumac
Arora
Shah
Chow
Dhir
Valeriote
Botterell
Sturko

YEAS—40

<i>Rattée</i>	<i>Van Popta</i>	<i>Wilson</i>	<i>Maahs</i>
<i>Kindy</i>	<i>Dew</i>	<i>Davis</i>	<i>Block</i>
<i>Milobar</i>	<i>Clare</i>	<i>McInnis</i>	<i>Luck</i>
<i>Rustad</i>	<i>K. Neufeld</i>	<i>Bird</i>	<i>Williams</i>
<i>Banman</i>	<i>Bhangu</i>	<i>McCall</i>	<i>Loewen</i>
<i>Wat</i>	<i>Paton</i>	<i>Stamer</i>	<i>Dhaliwal</i>
<i>Kooner</i>	<i>Chan</i>	<i>Day</i>	<i>Doerkson</i>
<i>Halford</i>	<i>Toor</i>	<i>Tepper</i>	<i>Brodie</i>
<i>Hartwell</i>	<i>Hepner</i>	<i>Mok</i>	<i>Armstrong</i>
<i>L. Neufeld</i>	<i>Giddens</i>	<i>Gasper</i>	<i>Kealy</i>

Tara Armstrong reserved her right to raise a question of privilege.

Order called for “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

Rosalyn Bird rose on a point of order regarding comments made by the Attorney General and Deputy Premier during Oral Question Period.

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

Paul Choi presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services, Report on the Budget 2026 Consultation, for the First Session of the Forty-third Parliament (Second), August 2025.

The Report was taken as read and received.

By leave, *Paul Choi* moved that the Report be adopted.

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

45 The Hon. *Mike Farnworth* moved—

That, notwithstanding Standing Order 2 (2), the House stand adjourned during the week of November 3, 2025, and sit during the week of December 1, 2025, as prescribed in Standing Order 2 (1).

Motion agreed to.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 17) intituled *Intimate Images Protection Statutes Amendment Act, 2025*, a debate arose.

The debate continued.

On the motion of *Amelia Boulton*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 6.47 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

NOTICE OF BILLS

Monday, October 20

George Anderson to introduce a Bill intituled *Professional Reliance Act*.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS

Monday, October 20

62 *Janet Routledge* to move—

That this House recognizes the suffering of women who were denied safe abortions in the years prior to legalization, including those who suffered injury, illness or died after unsafe, illegal procedures, and recommits to support access to abortion and reproductive health for British Columbians.

63 *Janet Routledge* to move—

That this House recognizes that sexual and intimate partner violence is pervasive and underreported, as described in Dr. Kim Stanton's independent review, and commits to addressing systemic barriers to justice for survivors.

PROGRESS OF BILLS

GOVERNMENT BILLS

(Listing printed for convenience only)

Bill No.	Title	Member	First Reading	Second Reading	Committee	Report	Amended	Third Reading	Royal Assent	S.B.C. Chap. No.
1	An Act to Ensure the Supremacy of Parliament	Hon. Niki Sharma	Feb. 18							
2	Acting Conflict of Interest Commissioner Continuation Act	Hon. Niki Sharma	Feb. 19	Feb. 24	Feb. 26	Feb. 26		Feb. 26	Mar. 31	1
3	Protected Areas of British Columbia Amendment Act, 2025	Hon. Laanas / Tamara Davidson	Feb. 19	Feb. 25	Feb. 26	Feb. 26	Feb. 26	Mar. 12	Mar. 31	2
4	Business Practices and Consumer Protection Amendment Act, 2025	Hon. Niki Sharma	Feb. 25	Mar. 3	Mar. 13	Mar. 13		Mar. 13	Mar. 31	3
5	Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2025	Hon. Brenda Bailey	Mar. 4	May 6	May 8	May 8	May 8	May 28	May 29	10
6	Supply Act (No. 1), 2025	Hon. Brenda Bailey	Mar. 6	Mar. 12	Mar. 31	Mar. 31		Mar. 31	Mar. 31	4
7	Economic Stabilization (Tariff Response) Act	Hon. Niki Sharma	Mar. 13	Apr. 3	May 7	May 7	May 7	May 28	May 29	11
8	Carbon Tax Amendment Act, 2025	Hon. Brenda Bailey	Mar. 31	Mar. 31	Mar. 31	Mar. 31		Mar. 31	Mar. 31	5
9	Health Care Costs Recovery Amendment Act, 2025	Hon. Josie Osborne	Apr. 8	Oct. 6	Oct. 7	Oct. 7		Oct. 7		
10	Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act, 2025	Hon. Niki Sharma	Apr. 14	Oct. 6	Oct. 7	Oct. 7		Oct. 7		
11	Employment Standards Amendment Act, 2025	Hon. Jennifer Whiteside	Apr. 15	May 7	May 12	May 12		May 12	May 29	6
12	Motor Vehicle Amendment Act, 2025	Hon. Garry Begg	Apr. 16							
13	Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2025	Hon. Niki Sharma	Apr. 29	May 7	May 13	May 13		May 13	May 29	7
14	Renewable Energy Projects (Streamlined Permitting) Act ...	Hon. Adrian Dix	Apr. 30	May 15	May 28	May 28		May 28	May 29	12
15	Infrastructure Projects Act	Hon. Bowinn Ma	May 1	May 13	May 28	May 28		May 28	May 29	13
16	Supply Act, 2025-2026	Hon. Brenda Bailey	May 29	May 29	May 29	May 29		May 29	May 29	14
17	Intimate Images Protection Statutes Amendment Act, 2025	Hon. Niki Sharma	Oct. 6							
18	Sexual Violence Policy Act	Hon. Jessie Sumner	Oct. 6							
19	School Amendment Act, 2025	Hon. Lisa Beare	Oct. 7							
20	Construction Prompt Payment Act	Hon. Niki Sharma	Oct. 7							
21	Attorney General Statutes Amendment Act (No. 2), 2025	Hon. Niki Sharma	Oct. 7							
22	Statutes Act	Hon. Niki Sharma	Oct. 7							
23	Regulations Act	Hon. Niki Sharma	Oct. 7							
24	Vaping Product Damages and Health Care Costs Recovery Act	Hon. Niki Sharma	Oct. 8							

PROGRESS OF BILLS — Continued
MEMBERS' BILLS
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Bill No.	Title	Member	First Reading	Second Reading	Committee	Report	Amended	Third Reading	Royal Assent	S.B.C. Chap. No.
M 201	Low Carbon Fuels Amendment Act, 2025.....	Kiel Giddens	Feb. 26							
M 202	Eligibility to Hold Public Office Act.....	Darlene Rotchford.....	Feb. 26	Mar. 3	May 26	May 27	May 26	May 27	May 29	9
*M 203	Free Trade and Mobility Within Canada Act.....	John Rustad	Mar. 4							
M 204	Perinatal and Postnatal Mental Health Strategy Act.....	Jody Toor.....	Mar. 4	Mar. 10	May 12	May 26	May 12	May 26	May 29	8
M 205	Mental Health Amendment Act, 2025	Elenore Sturko	Mar. 12	Apr. 7						
M 206	Interpretation (Pacific Daylight Time) Amendment Act, 2025	John Rustad	Mar. 13							
*M 207	Greenhouse Gas Industrial Reporting and Control Repeal Act.....	Peter Milobar	Apr. 1							
M 208	Emergency and Disaster Management Amendment Act, 2025	Macklin McCall	Apr. 3							
†M 209	Tax Relief and Tariff Defence Act	Dallas Brodie	Apr. 10							
M 210	Korean Heritage Month Act.....	Paul Choi.....	Apr. 10	May 26						
*M 211	Zero-Emission Vehicles Repeal Act.....	Hon Chan	Apr. 10							
M 212	Income Tax (Grocery Rebate Guarantee) Amendment Act, 2025	John Rustad	Apr. 16							
M 213	Drug Use Prevention Education in Schools Act.....	Steve Kooner.....	May 6							
M 214	Firefighters' Health Act	Misty Van Popta.....	May 12	Oct. 6						
*M 215	Parental Transparency and Age-Appropriate Education Act.....	Mandeep Dhaliwal	May 29							

* Title changed.
† Ruled out of order.

COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY

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ESTIMATES, 2025–26

Legislative Assembly	May 27, 2025
Officers of the Legislature.....	May 27, 2025
Ministry	Estimates Completed
Agriculture and Food	March 13, 2025
Attorney General.....	May 28, 2025
Children and Family Development.....	May 13, 2025
Citizens' Services.....	April 3, 2025
Education and Child Care	April 7, 2025
Emergency Management and Climate Readiness.....	April 2, 2025
Energy and Climate Solutions.....	April 29, 2025
Environment and Parks	April 9, 2025
Finance.....	May 27, 2025
Forests	April 10, 2025
Health.....	April 10, 2025
Housing and Municipal Affairs.....	May 1, 2025
Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation.....	April 30, 2025
Infrastructure.....	April 1, 2025
Jobs, Economic Development and Innovation.....	May 6, 2025
Labour.....	May 8, 2025
Mining and Critical Minerals.....	April 14, 2025
Post-Secondary Education and Future Skills.....	April 8, 2025
Premier.....	May 29, 2025
Public Safety and Solicitor General.....	May 6, 2025
Social Development and Poverty Reduction	May 6, 2025

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ESTIMATES, 2025–26

Ministry	Estimates Completed
Tourism, Arts, Culture and Sport	March 31, 2025
Transportation and Transit	May 8, 2025
Water, Land and Resource Stewardship.....	May 5, 2025