

Nos. 11 and 12

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
Legislative Assembly of British Columbia
Second Session of the Forty-third Parliament

Thursday, February 26, 2026

TEN O’CLOCK A.M.

Prayers and Reflections by *Heather Maahs*.

The Hon. *Diana Gibson* (Minister of Citizens’ Services) 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. 9) intituled *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2026*, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 23, 2026.

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 *Human Rights Code Repeal Act* be introduced and read a first time, the House divided.

Motion negatived on the following division:

NAYS — 50

Lore
Blatherwick
Dhir
Routledge
Elmore
Toporowski
B. Anderson
Neill
Osborne
Brar
Krieger
Davidson
Parmar

Sunner
Beare
Greene
Wickens
Kang
Begg
Arora
Higginson
Sandhu
Lajeunesse
Choi
Rotchford
Chant

Phillip
Popham
Dix
Sharma
Farnworth
Eby
Bailey
Kahlon
Chandra Herbert
Whiteside
Boyle
Ma

Yung
Malcolmson
Gibson
Glumac
Shah
G. Anderson
Chow
Morissette
Valeriotte
Botterell
Sturko
Boultbee

YEAS—37

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

Order called for “Members’ Statements.”

Order called for “Oral Questions by Members.”

Á'a:liya Warbus presented a petition regarding shelter allowance for persons with disabilities.

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 Hon. *Brenda Bailey* (Minister of Finance) withdrew comments.

Peter Milobar reserved his right to raise a question of privilege.

Kiel Giddens reserved his right to raise a question of privilege.

Tony Luck reserved his right to raise a question of privilege.

Gavin Dew reserved his right to raise a question of privilege.

Lynne Block reserved her right to raise a question of privilege.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—46

<i>Lore</i>	<i>Parmar</i>	<i>Rotchford</i>	<i>Whiteside</i>
<i>Blatherwick</i>	<i>Sunner</i>	<i>Chant</i>	<i>Boyle</i>
<i>Dhir</i>	<i>Beare</i>	<i>Phillip</i>	<i>Ma</i>
<i>Routledge</i>	<i>Greene</i>	<i>Popham</i>	<i>Yung</i>
<i>Elmore</i>	<i>Wickens</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>Malcolmson</i>
<i>Toporowski</i>	<i>Kang</i>	<i>Sharma</i>	<i>Gibson</i>
<i>B. Anderson</i>	<i>Begg</i>	<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Glumac</i>
<i>Neill</i>	<i>Arora</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>Shah</i>
<i>Osborne</i>	<i>Higginson</i>	<i>Bailey</i>	<i>G. Anderson</i>
<i>Brar</i>	<i>Sandhu</i>	<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Chow</i>
<i>Krieger</i>	<i>Lajeunesse</i>	<i>Chandra Herbert</i>	<i>Morissette</i>
<i>Davidson</i>	<i>Choi</i>		

NAYS—46

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

The Speaker announced that the votes being equal, and in accordance with established practice that the confidence of the House should not be decided by the sole vote of the Chair, he cast his vote in favour of the motion.

And then the House adjourned at 12 noon.

Thursday, February 26, 2026

ONE O’CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to “Orders of the Day.”

Order called for Committee of Supply.

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 4) intituled *Supply Act (No. 1), 2026*, a debate arose.

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

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

The debate continued.

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

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 3) intituled *Budget Measures Implementation Act (No. 2), 2026*, a debate arose.

The House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:

YEAS—48

<i>Lore</i>	<i>Parmar</i>	<i>Rotchford</i>	<i>Boyle</i>
<i>Blatherwick</i>	<i>Sunner</i>	<i>Chant</i>	<i>Ma</i>
<i>Dhir</i>	<i>Beare</i>	<i>Phillip</i>	<i>Yung</i>
<i>Routledge</i>	<i>Greene</i>	<i>Popham</i>	<i>Malcolmson</i>
<i>Elmore</i>	<i>Wickens</i>	<i>Dix</i>	<i>Gibson</i>
<i>Toporowski</i>	<i>Kang</i>	<i>Sharma</i>	<i>Glumac</i>
<i>B. Anderson</i>	<i>Begg</i>	<i>Farnworth</i>	<i>Shah</i>
<i>Neill</i>	<i>Arora</i>	<i>Eby</i>	<i>G. Anderson</i>
<i>Osborne</i>	<i>Higginson</i>	<i>Bailey</i>	<i>Chow</i>
<i>Brar</i>	<i>Sandhu</i>	<i>Kahlon</i>	<i>Morissette</i>
<i>Krieger</i>	<i>Lajeunesse</i>	<i>Chandra Herbert</i>	<i>Valeriotte</i>
<i>Davidson</i>	<i>Choi</i>	<i>Whiteside</i>	<i>Botterell</i>

NAYS—43

<i>Loewen</i>	<i>Van Popta</i>	<i>Hepner</i>	<i>Williams</i>
<i>Kindy</i>	<i>Dew</i>	<i>Giddens</i>	<i>Chapman</i>
<i>Milobar</i>	<i>Clare</i>	<i>Dhaliwal</i>	<i>Bird</i>
<i>Warbus</i>	<i>K. Neufeld</i>	<i>McCall</i>	<i>Doerkson</i>
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<i>Hartwell</i>	<i>Chan</i>	<i>Tepper</i>	<i>Boulton</i>
<i>L. Neufeld</i>	<i>Toor</i>	<i>Mok</i>	

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.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION A)

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$741,339,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Ministry of Citizens' Services, Ministry Operations, to 31st March, 2027.

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 Attorney General.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

(IN COMMITTEE—SECTION C)

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

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

And then the House adjourned at 5.29 p.m.

HON. RAJ CHOUHAN, *Speaker*

NOTICE OF BILLS

Monday, March 2

*Jordan Kealy to introduce a Bill intituled *Health Professions and Occupations Repeal Act.**

NOTICE OF MOTIONS

Monday, March 2

M 203 *Tony Luck* to move—

That the House affirms that the application of the merit principle within the B.C. Public Service be overseen by an independent officer of the Legislature.

PROGRESS OF BILLS

(Listing printed for convenience only)

GOVERNMENT BILLS

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. 12, 2026							
2	Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2026	Hon. Brenda Bailey	Feb. 17, 2026							
3	Budget Measures Implementation Act (No. 2), 2026	Hon. Brenda Bailey	Feb. 17, 2026	Feb. 26, 2026						
4	Supply Act (No. 1), 2026	Hon. Brenda Bailey	Feb. 17, 2026	Feb. 26, 2026						
5	Trade Recognition Act	Hon. Ravi Kahlon	Feb. 18, 2026	Feb. 26, 2026						
6	Motor Vehicle Amendment Act, 2026	Hon. Niki Sharma	Feb. 19, 2026							
7	Post-Secondary International Education (Designated Institutions) Act	Hon. Jessie Sumner	Feb. 19, 2026							
8	Civil Forfeiture Amendment Act, 2026	Hon. Nina Krieger	Feb. 23, 2026							
9	Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2026	Hon. Diana Gibson	Feb. 26, 2026							

MEMBERS' BILLS

(Reinstated Members' Bills were introduced in a previous session. Pursuant to Standing Order 27B, they have been reinstated in the current session at the same stage of consideration they had reached at the time of prorogation.)

Bill No.	Title	Member	First Reading	Second Reading	Committee	Report	Amended	Third Reading	Royal Assent	S.B.C. Chap. No.
M 214	Firefighters' Health Act [Reinstated]	Misty Van Popta	May 12, 2025	Oct. 6, 2025						
M 216	Professional Reliance Act [Reinstated]	George Anderson	Oct. 21, 2025	Nov. 17, 2025						
M 217*	Dashboard Cameras in Commercial Vehicles Act [Reinstated]	Ward Stamer	Oct. 23, 2025	Nov. 24, 2025						
M 226	Motor Vehicle Amendment Act (No. 2), 2025 [Reinstated]	Dana Lajeunesse	Nov. 26, 2025	Feb. 23, 2026						
M 231	Veterans and First Responders Month Act	Rosalyn Bird	Feb. 19, 2026							
M 232	Long Term Care Access and Transparency Act	Brennan Day	Feb. 25, 2026							

* Title changed.

COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY
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ESTIMATES, 2026 – 27

Ministry	Estimates Completed
Citizens' Services.....	February 26, 2026