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PROCLAMATION

(Great Seal of Ontario)

PAULINE M. MCGIBBON

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom, Canada and Her other Realms and Territories Queen, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith.

To Our Faithful the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of Ontario and to every of you,—

GREETING:

THE HONOURABLE
ROY MCMURTRY,
Attorney General
of Ontario.

WHEREAS it is expedient for certain causes and considerations to convene the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of Ontario WE DO WILL that you and each of you and all others in this behalf interested, on Tuesday, the twenty-ninth day of March now next, at 3.00 o'clock p.m., at Our City of Toronto, personally be and appear for the actual Despatch of Business, to treat, act, do and conclude upon those things which, in Our Legislature for the Province of Ontario, by the Common Council of Our said Province, may by the favour of God be ordained.

HEREIN FAIL NOT

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF We have caused these Our Letters to be made patent and the Great Seal of Our Province of Ontario to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS:

THE HONOURABLE PAULINE M. MCGIBBON, An Officer of the Order of Canada, Bachelor of Arts, Doctor of Laws, Doctor of University, Bachelor of Applied Arts (Theatre), Honorary Fellow Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons (Canada), LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF OUR PROVINCE OF ONTARIO,

at Our City of Toronto in Our said Province this ninth day of March in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy-seven and in the twenty-sixth year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND

JOHN R. SMITH,
Minister of Government Services.

Tuesday, the twenty-ninth day of March, 1977, being the first day of the Fourth Session of the Thirtieth Parliament of the Province of Ontario for the Despatch of Business pursuant to a Proclamation of the Honourable Pauline M. McGibbon, O.C., B.A., LL.D., D.U. (Ott.), B.A.A. (Theatre), Lieutenant Governor of the Province.

3.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

And the House having met,

The Honourable the Lieutenant Governor then entered the House and, being seated on the Throne, was pleased to open the Session by the following gracious speech:—

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

Monsieur le Président, Mesdames et Messieurs les membres de l'Assemblée législative:

I welcome you to the Fourth Session of the Thirtieth Parliament of Ontario, in this the Silver Jubilee year of our beloved Sovereign.

Les vingt-cinq années depuis l'accession au trône de la Reine Elizabeth II ont été marquées par de nombreux changements en technologie de même que dans le développement économique et social. Au Canada, comme en Ontario, ces changements ont transformé notre mode et notre rythme de vie.

The faith and optimism which Ontarians share with respect to Canadian Confederation emerge from a deep conviction about Canada and about Ontario's place and role within Canada. It is not enough, however, for Canadians to face the challenges posed by Confederation simply with faith and hope. There must be a concrete program in place which sustains national identity, broadens national dialogue and cements the ties of nationhood.

By sponsoring a Forum on Canadian Destiny, in June, the Government of Ontario will provide Canadians from all corners of our country an opportunity for constructive interchange and dialogue which, if pursued, should lead to greater understanding and sharing among regions and language groups.

The Government will also take steps to increase the number of student and teacher exchanges that now take place between Ontario and the other Provinces of this country. We feel that this type of person-to-person contact and communication has tremendous value in furthering understanding. We shall therefore seek the co-operation of industry and organized labour to develop similar exchanges for people in other walks of Canadian life.

At the same time, my Ministers will continue to co-operate with the Federal Government and with the other Provinces in every way to ensure that no needless division separates us in seeking the common goal of national unity and reconciliation.

A citizen's faith in, and commitment to his or her community and country remain the most important elements in building a nation. They are qualities that can make a national crisis manageable and temporary. But faith and commitment, if they are to be sustained, require that there be equitable distribution of economic opportunity.

It remains the Government's conviction that, in light of the level of unemployment across the country and the presence of a strong provincial government in Quebec that is committed to the partition of our country, all federalists who hold fiscal responsibilities must do what they can to keep our economy on a path of honest and strong growth. Economic arguments may not dissuade the hard-core romantics of separatism, but economic results are vital to the survival of this country.

Unfair concentration of economic power in the hands of a few, and denial of opportunity to some, through no fault of their own, represent a potential danger to the people of Ontario and to national unity. It is a threat against which the Government must be prepared to act if the fundamental fairness that binds our nation together is to remain part of the self-view of all Canadians.

In this respect, it is important that Ontario should hold out to Canada and Canadians an example of the stability and fairness that typify the best of democratic society. We must offer an example of a Province where personal success is attainable by all who are willing to make a fair contribution. We must ensure, as the Province of Opportunity, that each citizen can participate fully in all aspects of life in Ontario, because we recognize equality of opportunity as the springboard to significant achievement.

This Government firmly believes that the national Anti-Inflation Program should continue until the Federal Government and the Provinces have developed a clear strategy to moderate inflation after the controls are lifted. Toward this goal, Ontario will set in motion a series of steps that will build upon the initiative begun with the recent Partnership for Prosperity Conference. This exercise, so crucial to our future well-being, will involve extensive consultation with, and the full co-operation of industry, labour and all segments of Ontario Society—an example now also being pursued by the Federal Government.

Joint government/private sector relations cannot go very far, however, if our eleven senior governments are going off in as many different directions. Thus, we must re-establish a sense of shared national purpose, for without common national goals there cannot be confidence, and without confidence there cannot be growth.

Ontario's commitment to the AIB is also coupled with a commitment to ensure basic protections from unacceptable high costs for the citizens of our Province. The Rent Control Program, initiated in 1975, will be continued until the scheduled end of the Anti-Inflation Program, and legislation to this effect will be presented to the House. Further, the Government will present various policy options for continuing protection for tenants, to be implemented after the termination of the Anti-Inflation Program.

It is clear, however, that beyond the positive protection that it offers for tenants, rent control acts as a negative force in the drive to create new rental units in significant numbers. Only when more rental accommodation is available can market forces again take over and rent controls be eliminated. The Ministry of Housing will therefore introduce a specific program to stimulate rental construction in areas of low vacancy. It is the Government's belief that this incentive will markedly increase rental supply, thereby easing the pressure on rents in the future.

Further, working in close co-operation with federal and municipal governments, my Government will continue to increase the amount of rental housing for senior citizens and families of low income. Such efforts in the rental field will complement the recently announced federal/provincial AHOP/HOME program which now places home ownership within the reach of families of very moderate income.

As well, a series of legislative measures will be introduced to improve and secure the rights of condominium owners, both as purchasers and as residents.

To ensure full opportunity and a bright future for our people we need to expand the job-creating sectors of the Ontario and national economies. Concerted and intensive efforts must be made to reverse current high levels of unemployment.

To this end, it is hoped that significant assistance will be furnished through the Federal Budget to be presented on March 31. In turn, Ontario will complement federal actions intended to create employment, and develop our

own fiscal policy to stimulate the economy and expand the Province's work force.

An additional stimulus to the provision of employment expansion opportunities is the continuing success of this Province in restraining government spending. This limits government demand on private capital which can be directed toward the generation of jobs and growth.

The particular unfairness of national unemployment, to young people especially, and to our population as a whole, requires a specific government response.

Special funding to create jobs, in both the private and public sectors, will be a feature of the new Ontario Budget. This initiative will place particular emphasis on the needs of young people who bear an unbalanced proportion of overall unemployment in Canada.

In its commitment to equality of economic opportunity for all Ontarians, the Government will focus special attention on Northern and Eastern areas of the province.

Legislation will be presented to confirm the establishment of the new Ministry of Northern Affairs which will deal with the economic and social development of Ontario's Northern regions.

The fundamental aim of the Government's overall Northern program is to continue to increase the standard of living of Northern residents. This Government opposes any view that would commit the people of Northern Ontario to economic disadvantage through an unreasonable and unthinking rejection of economic development. My Government believes accommodations can and must be made to protect our recreational and natural heritage without condemning part of our population to economic inequality.

In this vein, the Government will present amendments to The Environmental Assessment Act, as recommended by Mr. Justice Hartt, to assist in his examination into the feasibility of a major forest development in Northwestern Ontario. This review will pay particular attention to native, environmental and social considerations. At the same time, steps will be taken by my Government to examine and report on such development potential as might reasonably and responsibly be explored to the benefit not only of the people of the North, but of all Ontario.

Increased efforts to reforest Crown lands, wherever licensed harvesting is permitted, will ensure the perpetual availability of renewable timber resources and continued economic prosperity in the North.

The Ontario Northland Transportation Commission will assume a new role in the development of tourism in Northern Ontario. ONTC and the Ministry of Industry and Tourism will plan and promote new recreational attractions in conjunction with those of established tourism interests, local councils and

local business. The Commission's acquisition of four modern unit trains and delivery of a seventh aircraft to norOntair this spring are expected to figure largely in these efforts.

The impetus for effective economic development east of Metropolitan Toronto and in Eastern Ontario will be provided by locating significant government operations in selected areas. Details will be presented to the House early in the Session.

In recent years, my Government has undertaken various measures to establish a more open and responsive relationship with the people of Ontario. In accepting the recommendations of the Select Committee of the Legislature on the Camp Commission, the Government has paved the way for the most open and balanced legislative forum in Canada. It is a forum whose expanded workload and openness require particular co-operation from all sides of the House. Sittings of the Assembly are already televised and filmed by the media. The Ombudsman's access to documentation on behalf of the citizens of our Province is an example of openness unprecedented in Canadian parliamentary institutions.

In order that further progress might be made in broadening the processes of government and information-sharing, and in order that this progress might be pursued with a proper concern for personal privacy, a Commission on Freedom of Information and Individual Privacy will be named to study and recommend to the Legislature, during this Session, appropriate means of ensuring both.

As further evidence of the Government's intention to follow this direction, a new Audit Act will be introduced giving the Provincial Auditor extensive new powers in serving the public interest through greater scrutiny of government expenditures and by ensuring internal efficiency and economy.

The recommendations of a Committee on Customer Service, which have already been made public, will be acted on through a special task force of senior government officials and the appointment of a new Customer Service Co-ordinator. The major objectives of this program are the simplification of government procedures and the improvement of public service sensitivity to the citizens of Ontario.

As citizens have a right to open and responsive government, they have also a right to due process of law and effective administration of justice. The Attorney General will present The Courts Administration Act to initiate a new approach to judicial administration. The Act will give appropriate recognition to the fundamental principles of judicial independence and ministerial accountability to the public. Family law legislation brought forward initially during the last Session will be reintroduced.

You will be asked to consider amendments to the Police Act. This step follows considerable consultation with police commissions, police forces and representatives of various groups, and is intended to establish a code of behaviour and complaint procedures that will protect both the general citizenry and members of our police forces.

The Ministry of Education will launch three significant initiatives related to language instruction. The first will improve opportunities for young people to learn French as a second language. To achieve this, school boards will be offered increased financial incentives to encourage them to improve and extend French-language instruction programs in elementary schools across Ontario.

Ontario's French-language education system now serves, in 369 French-language schools, 106,000 students whose first language is French. The Government reaffirms its commitment to this system, and will introduce special legislation to guarantee establishment of a French-language secondary school in Essex County.

Increased emphasis on language opportunities will be reflected in innovations that recognize the multicultural nature of our population. More resources will be available for intensive English-language instruction for children of recent immigrants.

At the same time, while recognizing that French and English are the languages of instruction in Ontario's schools, a Heritage Language Program will be supported, as a continuing education offering, to help Ontario's many ethnic groups retain a knowledge of their mother tongues and continuing appreciation of their cultural backgrounds. The Government accepts and values the multicultural character of our Province, and believes that encouraging children to understand the language and culture of their parents contributes to the quality of both education and family life.

In the past decade, Ontario has seen a rapid growth of special services for children and youth. This Province stands second to none in the number, variety and quality of services that now exist.

The Government intends to unify these programs so that the needs of individual children will be better served. More effective co-ordination will be achieved through legislation to consolidate provincial services for children with special needs within a single, integrated organization in the Ministry of Community and Social Services. Special education services will continue to be provided by the Ministry of Education and school boards.

In addition, provisions will be made for common licensing requirements, operating standards, and funding arrangements for group homes, youth residences, children's institutions and related services.

My Government reaffirms that it is a primary responsibility of parents to care for their children, who should remain in their own homes wherever possible. To this end, the new children's division will encourage the development of family support services. It thus follows that the responsibility for developing appropriate services for the care of children with special needs should rest with local communities. Accordingly, legislation will be introduced to give local governments the authority and resources to ensure the provision of special services for their own children.

The health and safety of working men and women in Ontario remain important priorities for my Government. New legislation will be introduced,

incorporating all occupational health and safety matters in one statute. The Ministry of Labour will hold consultations with interested parties with the aim of accommodating in the legislation the needs and concerns of the entire community.

The aspect of prevention in other health and safety programs cannot be overstated. Our seatbelt and speed limit regulations have saved many lives, prevented thousands of serious injuries and saved society much grief and millions of dollars in lost work and hospitalization. Avoiding death and carnage on the highways is a continuing concern of the Government and one which all Ontarians share.

During the Session, legislation will be introduced to establish a probationary period for new drivers, regardless of age. Further changes will await the report of the Select Committee on Highway Safety.

Because the evidence is clear that the most effective health programs are those that place their emphasis on prevention, my Government will take steps, through the Ministry of Culture and Recreation, to introduce a province-wide physical fitness program designed to encourage Ontarians to care about their health and well-being and to avoid, through that care, unnecessary hospitalization, illness and hardship.

My Government's continuing commitment to clean air and water and a healthy environment will be advanced through amendments to The Environmental Protection Act, The Ontario Water Resources Act and The Pesticides Act.

A central unit will be established for monitoring, research and control of hazardous chemicals, such as PCBs, mercury and lead.

An inventory of all abandoned or inactive mine operations which are sources of contamination will be compiled, and responsibility for clean-up will be determined and pursued. Where ownership or responsibility cannot be established, Provincial funds will be used for the clean-up.

The Government will provide assistance with respect to the increasing cost of municipal services to meet environmental needs. A particular priority, concurrent with my Government's commitment to the East and the North, will be afforded through servicing assistance to these areas. Amendments to legislation will provide municipalities with provincial financing and assistance for alternatives to traditional treatment systems, particularly in smaller communities.

Ontarians can take pride and satisfaction from the development of nuclear power in our Province, a source on which we will be increasingly dependent in the short term. The Pickering Generating Station is one of the safest, most efficient and cost-effective energy-producing facilities in the world. The Bruce Generating plant, now under construction, is among the additional nuclear projects already contributing to our energy supply.

However, it is clear that in the long term it will be increasingly difficult to rely solely on nuclear energy or fossil fuels for our total energy requirements.

A planning process is needed now for the transition to other energy sources. A report will be placed before the House indicating the types of changes envisioned. Greater emphasis will be placed on research, development and demonstration of renewable forms of energy.

The Government is committed to a war on waste at every level of energy utilization, from large-scale activities such as those related to transportation, industrial and community use, to daily use by the individual home or apartment dweller. The ability to provide improved standards of living for an expanding population will depend on the degree to which the people of Ontario share in this commitment.

While my Government has shown an ongoing interest in the growth and prosperity of small businesses, it is recognized that further special efforts are required. For this reason, an Ontario Advisory Committee on Small Business will be established to serve as a forum for small business interests and to make recommendations on improving their management, financial and marketing capabilities.

In addition, my Government will launch a Small Business Management Development Program and will work with universities involved in the Small Business Assistance Program to offer consulting help on a year-round basis.

The Ontario Development Corporation will expand its assistance to small business firms by lowering its lending rate to up to 2% below the basic rate for loans up to \$200,000, and by raising the current loan limits.

Protections for franchise holders, which will help encourage investment in small business, will form part of a new Franchises Act.

A new Securities Act will simplify securities regulations and provide better information and more protection for public investors.

The Ministry of Consumer and Commercial Relations will undertake a major educational program. This will include the establishment of a Consumer Education Resource Centre, a series of consumer information programs through the facilities of TV Ontario, and increased emphasis on consumer information material.

Tourism, a major earner of foreign currency for Canada, employs over 200,000 people in Ontario's hospitality industry. To help redress the national tourism balance of payments deficit that has recently developed, greater emphasis will be placed on promotional activities for vacations in Ontario.

The Government will determine the feasibility of a Hospitality Institute which would seek to improve standards, level of services and management within the 15,000 small businesses in Ontario's tourism industry.

Economic growth and industrial stability are interdependent. The Ministry of Labour will promote new initiatives in labour-management co-operation, including improvements in conciliation and mediation services, and the appointment of a representative committee to advise on collective bargaining matters and other issues of common concern.

The real guarantee of economic security and advancement for the unionized and other working men and women of Ontario remains in the vitality and dynamism of a well functioning free-enterprise economy, stimulated by investment, confidence and faith in the stability and fairness of Ontario's society and institutions.

Legislation will be reintroduced for province-wide, single-trade bargaining in certain sectors of the construction industry. This reform, which will reduce the number of bargaining situations from over 200 to about 20, should do much to promote stability in this vital sector of the economy.

A financial review of the operations of the Workmen's Compensation Board and an analysis of the benefit levels are currently in progress. Once they are completed, the Government will introduce legislation to adjust benefits to meet inflationary stresses and the legitimate needs of disabled workmen and others, who benefit now from one of the most generous and comprehensive compensation schemes in the free world.

The land we live on is a fundamental and finite resource, a fact that makes the responsibility of government to protect and husband its use a matter of paramount importance. Measures will therefore be taken to provide a clear focus and strong co-ordinating function for the development of land use policies, including the protection of our agricultural foodlands.

The Provincial Secretary for Resources Development will be given a strengthened mandate to co-ordinate the land use policies of Ministries and to expedite the resolution of land use issues. Administrative responsibilities will remain with respective Ministries and with municipalities, but central assessment and co-ordination at the provincial level will assure the best uses for our land through an overview of individual, community and provincial interests, which will be implemented through the process of official plan approvals.

In particular, the Government will resist pressures to prejudice the land equity of the farming community. Within the context of the foodland guidelines, brought down by the Ministry of Agriculture and Food, which serve to protect, by definition, the foodland needs of Ontario, farmers cannot be singled out as the target of any unfair land freeze schemes. My Government firmly believes that the present and future needs for foodlands can be met in Ontario without inequitably prejudicing the farming community.

In this Session, the Government will reinforce its programs to increase agricultural productivity with legislation to limit topsoil removal from prime agricultural lands, and with plans to return significant acreages to full production.

The maintenance of valuable foodlands in agricultural production merits an accompanying and increased consumer loyalty toward Ontario food products. Marketing strategies and a promotional campaign for Ontario foods will be pursued in both domestic and export markets to stimulate purchases of high quality Ontario agricultural produce.

Ontario has enjoyed massive increases in per acre production over the last ten years—increases which have produced a greater security of food supply

than has ever been achieved in such a highly urbanized society. Initiatives under the Young Farmer Program, Venture Capital Program and others will enhance the profitability of farming in Ontario and underline the Government's endorsement of the role of free enterprise, sound management and personal initiative in the economic structure of family farming in Ontario.

Many current concerns about future economic security centre on private and public pension plans, their administration and the use being made of these resources.

The Government will appoint a Royal Commission on Pension Plans to make an in-depth review and assessment of pension plan administration throughout Ontario. This step will be taken with a view to necessary changes or other approaches to ensure that contributors receive fair benefit and protection.

The question of pensions is but one aspect of the concern of our society for citizens in their retirement years. My Ministry will continue to give high priority to the needs of the aging population and will increase the number of assessment and placement services to ensure that senior citizens receive care appropriate to their needs.

In particular, more funds will be designated for home care and home support services so that more of our senior citizens may remain in their own homes and avoid unnecessary institutionalization. Efforts will be made to link these funds to involvement by young people in Senior Service program initiatives, thus providing them with employment and service opportunities while adding to the security and well-being of older members of our society.

In all, the wide-ranging program placed before this Assembly is directed at building a sense of promise and of national pride in Ontarians stemming from a fair and balanced society and from the opportunities we have within that society. It is a program of confidence in the future of our Province and nation. It seeks economic stability and the protection of our natural and human resources. It is geared toward achieving growth and generating employment. It is a program aimed at distributing economic opportunity fairly throughout Ontario. With dependable legislative co-operation, it can be achieved by this Assembly by the end of the present year.

My Government's program provides for every Ontarian the opportunity to live in freedom, work in peace and attain self-fulfillment and satisfaction. It assures our people that their Ontario, our Ontario, affords them the capacity to shape their own particular and unique part of the Canadian dream in confidence, security and freedom.

Honourable Members, I now leave you to the discharge of your duties. May Divine Providence guide you in your deliberations.

God bless the Queen and Canada.

Her Honour was then pleased to retire.

PRAYERS

3.45 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker then reported,

That, to prevent mistakes, he had obtained a copy of Her Honour's Speech, which he would read. (Reading dispensed with).

The following Bills were introduced and read the first time:—

Bill 1, An Act to amend The Trustee Act. *Mr. McMurtry.*

Bill 2, An Act to amend The Highway Traffic Act. *Mr. Snow.*

Bill 3, An Act respecting the Withholding or Withdrawal of Treatment where Death is Inevitable. *Mr. Macck.*

Bill 4, An Act to provide for Freedom of Information. *Mr. Lawlor.*

On motion by Mr. Welch,

Ordered, That, the Speech of the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor to this House be taken into consideration on Friday next.

On motion by Mr. Welch,

Ordered, That, tomorrow, Wednesday, the House will not sit in the Chamber but will sit on Wednesday, April 6, and that on succeeding Wednesdays, subject to further order, the House will not sit in the Chamber.

On motion by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Lewis,

Resolved, That, An humble Address be presented to Her Majesty The Queen in the following words:

To the Queen's most Excellent Majesty:

Most Gracious Sovereign:

We, Your Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Legislative Assembly of Ontario, now in session, beg to extend to Your Majesty, on the completion of the twenty-fifth year of Your reign, our most sincere congratulations, and reaffirm to Your Majesty the continuing warm respect and affection in which You are held by Your subjects in Ontario.

A l'occasion des visites de Votre Majesté et des autres membres de la famille royale, nous avons eu l'insigne privilège de Vous souhaiter la bienvenue dans Votre province de l'Ontario et n'avons jamais manqué de bénéficier de Vos gracieux conseils et du charme de Votre présence.

May Divine Providence sustain Your Majesty in health and happiness during a long and glorious reign to the benefit of Your People.

Ordered, That the said Address be engrossed and presented by Mr. Speaker on behalf of the Assembly to the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor for transmission to Her Majesty.

The House then adjourned at 4.05 p.m.

Reports Tabled:—

Fifth Report of the Standing Public Accounts Committee.

Your Committee reports that after a full review of the documentation filed with the Committee and a full discussion with the Minister and officials of the Ministry, it is of the opinion that the Minister, Ministry, Management Board and Cabinet did not ascertain all the pertinent facts before taking over Minaki Lodge and indeed showed gross incompetence and bad management.

The Committee therefore recommends:

1. That every reasonable step should be taken by the Ministry to dispose of the assets of Minaki Lodge by sale to the private market.
2. Failing recommendation number 1, the Government should develop a plan for the future of Minaki Lodge and report to the House as soon as possible.
3. That every Ministry of the Government when presenting a submission to Cabinet for capital funding for a major project, such as Minaki Lodge, must fully develop a complete plan after a thorough investigation and the presentation should include all projected capital and operating costs as well as all related costs (i.e. hydro, roads, etc.).

Your Committee further recommends that the Government should explore the process for acquisition of property by the Development Corporations and examine the appropriateness of retaining ownership by the Development Corporations as compared to direct ownership by a Ministry or by an appropriate Crown Corporation.

Sixth Report of the Standing Public Accounts Committee.

The Committee is of the opinion that the governments exemption of Ronto Development Corporation from land speculation tax by regulation made April 14th 1976, and all circumstances related thereto, require the fullest investigation, which can best be conducted by a Select Committee of the Legislature with power to sit while the House is in session, power to retain counsel and staff and power to send for persons and papers.

The Committee further recommends that the Legislature constitute such a committee as soon as possible in the new session and that the Committee report back to the House no longer than six weeks after its inception.

Sessional Papers:—

First Annual Report of the Ombudsman 1975-1976 (*No. 5*).

Final Report of the Select Committee on the Fourth and Fifth Reports of the Ontario Commission on the Legislature (*No. 6*).

Second Annual Report of the Commission on Election Contributions and Expenses 1976 (*No. 7*).

Ministry of Housing Annual Report 1975/76 (*No. 8*).

Annual Report of the Ministry of Government Services March 31st, 1976 (*No. 9*).

The Ontario Highway Transport Board Annual Report 1976 (*No. 10*).

Select Committee on Company Law First Report on the Automobile Insurance Industry, March, 1977 (*No. 11*).

Select Committee on Company Law, Background Paper, Report I The Motor Vehicle System, March, 1977 (*No. 12*).

Select Committee on Company Law, Background Paper, Report II Financial Structure of the Automobile Insurance Industry in Ontario, March, 1977 (*No. 13*).

Select Committee on Company Law, Background Paper, Report III Determining Automobile Insurance Premiums, March, 1977 (*No. 14*).

Select Committee on Company Law, Background Paper, Report IV Processing of Claims by the Insurance Industry, March, 1977 (*No. 15*).

Select Committee on Company Law, Background Paper, Report V The Repairs System, March, 1977 (*No. 16*).

Special Warrants Approved between the Third and Fourth Sessions of the Thirtieth Parliament, March 29, 1977 (*No. 17*).

SECOND DAY

THURSDAY, MARCH 31ST, 1977

PRAYERS

2.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Auld delivered to Mr. Speaker a message from the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor signed by her own hand, and the said message was read by Mr. Speaker and is as follows:—

PAULINE M. MCGIBBON

The Lieutenant Governor transmits Estimates of certain sums required for the services of the Province for the year ending the 31st March, 1978 and recommends them to the Legislative Assembly.

Toronto, 31st March, 1977.

(*Sessional Paper No. 3—Volume 2, 1977-78*).

Ordered, That the message of the Lieutenant Governor, together with the Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker made the following statement respecting a Petition from the Member for Timiskaming:—

As the Members of the House are aware, the provisional rules which govern our proceedings at this time lay particular stress on the proper use of Petitions and the response thereto. For this reason it is essential that Petitions presented to the House are completely in order as prescribed by the Standing Orders of the House. For this reason I will take this Petition under my consideration, scan it, and advise the House tomorrow whether or not it is a Petition which may properly be received by the House. At that time I will endeavour to make a comprehensive statement respecting the rules and precedents governing Petitions.

The following Bills were introduced and read the first time:—

Bill 5, An Act to amend The Proceedings Against the Crown Act. *Mr. Kennedy*.

Bill 6, An Act to reform the Law respecting Property Rights and Support Obligations between Married Persons and in other Family Relationships. *Mr. McMurtry*.

Bill 7, The Marriage Act, 1977. *Mr. McMurtry*.

Bill 8, An Act to reform the Law respecting Succession to the Estates of Deceased Persons. *Mr. McMurtry.*

Bill 9, An Act to reform the Law respecting the Status of Children. *Mr. McMurtry.*

Bill 10, An Act to amend The Election Finances Reform Act, 1975. *Mr. Johnson* (Wellington-Dufferin-Peel).

Bill 11, An Act to amend The Personal Property Security Act. *Mr. Handleman.*

Bill 12, An Act to provide for Class Actions. *Mr. Lawlor.*

Bill 13, An Act respecting Occupiers' Liability. *Mr. Lawlor.*

Bill 14, An Act to amend The Labour Relations Act. *Miss Stephenson.*

On motion by Mr. Welch,

Ordered, That Standing Committees of the House, for the remainder of the present Parliament, be as follows: Social Development, Resources Development, Administration of Justice, General Government, Public Accounts, Statutory Instruments, Procedural Affairs, and Members' Services.

That the House recommends this committee structure to future Legislatures.

That wherever possible, matters be referred to Standing Committees, thereby minimizing the necessity for Select Committees.

That a Speaker's Panel is hereby established to consist of Mr. Speaker, the Deputy Speaker and Chairman of Committees of the Whole House, the Deputy Chairman of Committees of the Whole House, and the Chairmen of all Standing and Select Committees.

That committees schedule for consideration all matters referred to them after discussion by the Speaker's Panel, as desirable; such scheduling shall insure as far as possible that there is no interference with the business in the House, giving particular attention to clause 31 of the Order of December 16, 1976, and such committee consideration shall not conflict with time-scheduling agreements made by the Parties in consultation.

That the Statutory Instruments Committee above referred to, include the committee provided for by section 12 of the Regulations Act, and have the terms of reference as set out in that section, and that the said committee, in addition to those powers, shall review and consider:—

1. The role of the committee with particular reference to the recommendations of the Select Committee on the Fourth and Fifth

Reports of the Ontario Commission on the Legislature, and the practices of the Parliaments of Canada and the United Kingdom,

and

2. The establishment of guidelines to be observed in the delegation by statute of power to make Statutory Instruments and the use made of such delegated power.

The said committee to report its recommendations to the House and that in addition to the normal powers of Standing Committees it shall have power to employ counsel and such other staff as the committee considers necessary.

That the Procedural Affairs Committee review and report to the House its observations and opinions on the operation of the Standing and Provisional Orders of the House, and such additional matters as may be referred to it by the House or by Mr. Speaker from time to time, and that the Committee also have power to review the operation of particular Boards, Agencies and Commissions, for which annual reports have been Tabled in the House and referred to it, and the Committee may review the operation of these bodies as it selects with a view to reducing possible redundancy and overlapping.

That the eight points in the first paragraph on page 29 of the Second Interim Report of the Select Committee on the Fourth and Fifth Reports of the Commission on the Legislature respecting proposed powers of committees, stand referred to the Procedural Affairs Committee.

That there be referred to the Procedural Affairs Committee the recommendation of the Select Committee for the enlargement of the committee staff of the Clerk's Office so that clerks may be permanently assigned to specific committees.

That the Procedural Affairs Committee be appointed for the full life of this Parliament with no substitution of members, but that substitution be permitted on all other Standing Committees provided that notice of substitution be given to the Chairman of the Committee prior to the commencement of the meeting.

That the Members' Services Committee examine the services to Members from time to time, and without interfering with the statutory responsibility of the Board of Internal Economy in such matters the committee be empowered to recommend to the consideration of the House matters it wishes to draw to the special attention of the Board.

That all Standing Committees have the normal powers to examine and enquire into all such matters and things as may be referred to them by the House, and to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon with the usual power to send for persons, papers and things, as provided in section 35 of the Legislative Assembly Act.

An motion by Mr. McKeough,

Ordered, That the Treasurer of Ontario be authorized to pay the salaries of the civil servants and other necessary payments pending the voting of Supply for the period commencing April 1, 1977 and ending September 30, 1977, such payments to be charged to the proper appropriation following the voting of Supply.

The following Bill was read the second time:—

Bill 2, An Act to amend The Highway Traffic Act. *Ordered for Third Reading.*

The following Bill was read the third time and was passed:—

Bill 2, An Act to amend The Highway Traffic Act.

The Honourable the Lieutenant Governor of the Province entered the Chamber of the Legislative Assembly and took her seat upon the Throne.

Mr. Speaker addressed Her Honour in the following words:—

“May it please Your Honour:

The Legislative Assembly of the Province has at its present Sittings thereof passed a certain Bill to which, in the name and on behalf of the said Legislative Assembly, I respectfully request Your Honour’s Assent.”

The Clerk Assistant then read the title of the Bill that had passed as follows:—

“The following is the title of the Bill to which Your Honour’s Assent is prayed:

Bill 2, An Act to amend The Highway Traffic Act.”

To this Act the Royal Assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the following words:

“In Her Majesty’s name, the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor doth assent to this Bill.”

The House then adjourned at 4.10 p.m.

Sessional Papers:—

Ontario Finances, March 31st, 1977 (*No. 18*).

Freedom of Information, The Right of Privacy and Government Information Practices (*No. 19*).

Second Report of the Select Committee on the Ombudsman (*No. 20*).

THIRD DAY

FRIDAY, APRIL 1ST, 1977

PRAYERS

10.00 O'CLOCK A.M.

The Order of the Day for the Consideration of the Speech of the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session having been read,

Mr. Johnson (Wellington-Dufferin-Peel) moved, seconded by Mr. Shore,

That an humble Address be presented to the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

To the Honourable Pauline M. McGibbon, O.C., B.A., LL.D., D.U. (Ott.), B.A.A. (Theatre) Lieutenant Governor of Ontario.

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious Speech Your Honour has addressed to us.

And a debate having ensued, it was, on motion by Mr. Deans,

Ordered, That the debate be adjourned.

On motion by Mr. Davis,

Ordered, That, on Thursday, April 7, the House will meet from 10.00 a.m. until 1.00 p.m., and when the House adjourns on that day, it will stand adjourned until Tuesday, April 12.

On motion by Mr. Welch,

Ordered, That, the membership of the Standing Committees established on March 31 be as follows:

Social Development Committee—15 members, as follows:

Belanger, Conway, Dukszta, Ferris, Grande, Jones, Kennedy, Kerrio, Leluk, McClellan, Sandeman, Shore, Sweeney, Villeneuve, Wiseman.

Resources Development Committee—15 members, as follows:

Bain, Eakins, Eaton, Ferrier, Gaunt, Hodgson, Johnson (Wellington-Dufferin-Peel), Lane, Laughren, Martel, McNeil, Reed (Halton Burlington), Riddell, Rollins, Yakabuski.

Administration of Justice Committee—15 members, as follows:

Drea, Edighoffer, Gigantes, Grossman, Johnston (St. Catharines), Kennedy, Lawlor, Leluk, Lupusella, Maeck, Philip, Renwick, Roy, Singer, Stong.

General Government Committee—15 members, as follows:

Cassidy, Di Santo, Evans, Good, Gregory, Irvine, McEwen, McCague, Morrow, Reid (Rainy River), Rollins, Ruston, Smith (Nipissing), Warner, Wildman.

Public Accounts Committee—11 members, as follows:

Angus, Drea, Germa, Grossman, Hall, Mackenzie, Makarchuk, Peterson, Sargent, Shore, Williams.

Statutory Instruments Committee—8 members, as follows:

Belanger, Davison (Hamilton Centre), Johnson (Wellington-Dufferin-Peel), Jones, Mancini, McKessock, Samis, Williams.

Procedural Affairs Committee—8 members, as follows:

Breaugh, Campbell, Cunningham, Eaton, Foulds, Haggerty, Irvine, Morrow.

Members' Services Committee—8 members, as follows:

Davidson (Cambridge), Evans, Givens, Lane, McNeil, Miller, Moffatt, Swart.

The House then adjourned at 12.02 p.m.

Sessional Paper:—

Public Accounts of Ontario, 1975-76, Volume 2—Financial Statements of Crown Corporations, Boards and Commissions, and Volume 3—Details of Expenditures (No. 2).

FOURTH DAY
MONDAY, APRIL 4TH, 1977

PRAYERS

2.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker made the following statement respecting Petitions:—

On Thursday last, I informed the House that I would take Mr. Bain's Petition under consideration and inform the House as to whether or not it constitutes a proper Petition to the House under the Standing Orders, and that at the same time I would make a comprehensive statement with respect to Petitions.

As I stated on Thursday, we are proceeding at this session under the provisional changes to, and additions to, the Standing Orders as adopted by the House in 1970. These provisional changes and additions were adopted unanimously by the House on December 16, 1976. Paragraph 5 of that order specifies that the Government shall provide a response to the House within two weeks to all Petitions presented to the House. If this provision is to work, I am sure the Members will agree that the Petitions must be only those properly within the jurisdiction of the House and presented by petitioners who knew when they signed that they were signing a Petition to the Legislature. If frivolous Petitions, or Petitions which are intended for individual Ministers, or on matters which are not within the jurisdiction of the House to remedy, are continuously tabled, the whole procedure of presenting Petitions, which is a very ancient and important one, having originated in the 13th century, will be compromised to the point where it is useless.

The public Petition serves as the only mechanism by which an individual or the community can directly ask Parliament to change some aspect of the general law, rectify some personal or local grievance, or reconsider a general administrative decision. I refer you to May's Parliamentary Practice, Nineteenth Edition, at page 811, and W. F. Dawson's Procedure in the Canadian House of Commons, page 238. The history of the modern Petition actually dates from the 17th century. In 1669, the Commons passed two resolutions which constitute the legal and philosophic foundation of the modern Petition. These read as follows:

“That it is the inherent right of every commoner in England to prepare and present petitions to the House of Commons in case of grievance, and the House of Commons to receive the same.”

“That it is an undoubted right and privilege of the Commons to judge and determine, touching the nature and matter of such petitions, how far they are fit and unfit to be received.”

In all jurisdictions of which I am aware, Petitions may be sent to the Table, as provided in Standing Order 83. If, after examination, the Speaker rules that the Petition is in order, it is deemed to be received by the House and may be read by the Clerk if required, as provided in Standing Order 85.

clause (b) of which provides that no debate may take place at that time unless it complain of some urgent personal grievance requiring immediate remedy, in which case it will be taken into consideration immediately.

Now, as to the substance of the Petition, it must, as I mentioned previously relate to a subject matter over which Parliament has some control, hence the House will not receive a Petition relating to a matter which has been delegated to the control of another body. For example, in the House of Commons of Canada, a Petition complaining that certain recommendations of the House had not been implemented by the Canadian Radio Television Commission, was held by Mr. Speaker Lamoureux to be outside the House's purview. Moreover, a Petition may not specifically ask for the expenditure of money; this principle is incorporated in our Standing Order 84.

In dealing with the substance of Petitions, Mr. Speaker Jerome in the House of Commons of Canada recently made the following observations:

"This is a representative institution, and the elected representatives are the ones who should carry into this Chamber opinions or reflections on the performance of the government, not messages from outside brought in here in some other guise. A Petition which seeks to place before the House the opinions of people who are not responsible, elected members, ought to be viewed in accordance with the strict interpretation."

For the above reasons it is my intention to receive Petitions and give myself time to study them. I anticipate that on the sitting day following the presentation of a Petition by a Member, I will be able to rule on the propriety of the Petition. I therefore point out to the House that when sending a Petition to the Table, a Member should not make any comment on its contents. If and when the Petition is declared to be in order, Standing Order 85 will then apply.

I also feel obliged to caution Members that in the past documents purporting to be Petitions have been offered to the House. These documents have, in fact, been altered after they were signed by the Petitioner. I will insist that Petitions be properly addressed to the House by the Petitioner and that no alteration of the document takes place. My point simply is, that Petitioners must have known that they are petitioning parliament, not simply signing a document as an expression of views to an agency of government. The House has gone a long way in modernizing the procedure on Petitions and eliminating some of the ancient forms of speech which are still required in Petitions presented to other jurisdictions. As stated, the only requirement we have really retained is that the petitioners must be aware of what they are signing, and this must be evident on the document they sign.

Finally, it appears clear to me that the House wishes to provide an avenue for the citizens of this province to address grievances directly to parliament. The House has declared itself in this matter and it is incumbent on all of us to maintain the integrity of this procedure. I ask for the assistance and co-operation of all Members.

Referring specifically to Mr. Bain's Petition, tabled last Thursday, while it does not appear evident that the signers knew that they were petitioning parliament, I am giving it the benefit of the doubt on this occasion and will accept it, but I urge upon the Members that in future when a Petition is circulated it indicate that it is addressed to the Lieutenant Governor and the Legislative Assembly and is, in fact, a Petition to the Legislature for the redress of a grievance.

Under provisional rule 5 the Government has until Monday, April 18th to respond to this Petition.

The following Bills were introduced and read the first time:—

Bill 15, An Act to regulate Transactions involving the Purchase of Tax Refunds by Discount. *Mr. Davison* (Hamilton Centre).

Bill 16, An Act to amend The Ontario Human Rights Code. *Mrs. Campbell*.

Bill 17, An Act to amend The Public Utilities Act. *Mr. Newman* (Windsor-Walkerville).

Bill 18, An Act to relieve Persons from Liability in respect of voluntary Emergency Medical and First Aid Services. *Mr. Haggerty*.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion for an Address in Reply to the Speech of the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session having been read,

The debate was resumed, and, after some time,

Mr. Lewis moved, seconded by Mr. Deans,

That the Motion for an Address in Reply to the Speech of the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor now before the House be amended by adding thereto the following words:—

While it is recognized that the concerns expressed in the Speech from the Throne, delivered by Her Honour, are genuine attempts to redress grievances resulting from many years of government mismanagement;

And while it is recognized that those portions of Her Honour's address which dealt with questions of national unity are eminently supportable;

Nonetheless we must insist that this Conservative government has once again failed to establish priorities and policies which would resolve the following major concerns in the Province of Ontario:

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3. The failure to moderate increases in the cost-of-living by refusing to recognize that:
 - (a) The present property tax formula places an unfair burden on middle, low, and fixed-income families;
 - (b) Food prices, energy prices, land and housing costs are above the consumers reasonable capacity to pay.
4. The failure to protect, adequately, our natural resource heritage, be it water, minerals, forests or agricultural land, compounded by the continued absence of a land-use plan for Ontario.
5. The failure to call for a complete overhaul of the Workmen's Compensation Board to civilize it, to humanize it, and to make it respond sensitively to many of the people it was created to serve.

And for all the foregoing enumerated reasons, this government no longer enjoys the confidence of this House.

On motion by Mr. Smith (Hamilton West).

Ordered, That the debate be adjourned.

The House then adjourned at 6.00 p.m.

Sessional Papers:—

Petition from the Member for Timiskaming respecting Ontario Hydro rates (*No. 21*).

Annual Report of the Ministry of the Attorney General, 1975-76 (*No. 22*).

FIFTH DAY

TUESDAY, APRIL 5TH, 1977

PRAYERS

2.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker addressed the House as follows:—

I beg to inform the House that the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor has received a reply from Her Majesty the Queen to the Message of Congratulation ordered by the House on Tuesday, March 29th. Her Majesty's Message reads as follows:—

I warmly thank the Legislative Assembly of Ontario for their kind message of Loyalty and Congratulations on the 25th Anniversary of my Accession to the Throne. It gives me much pleasure to receive this Message which I greatly appreciate.

ELIZABETH R.

On motion by Mr. Welch,

Ordered, That, the Committees of the House be authorized to meet concurrently with the House as the Committees may determine for the balance of this parliament.

The following Bills were introduced and read the first time:—

Bill 19, An Act to regulate Trading in Commodity Futures Contracts.
Mr. Handleman.

Bill 20, The Securities Act, 1977. *Mr. Handleman.*

Bill 21, An Act to amend The Business Corporations Act. *Mr. Handleman.*

Bill 22, An Act to amend The Labour Relations Act. *Mr. Haggerty.*

Bill 23, An Act to amend The Education Act, 1974. *Mr. Stong.*

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Amendment to the Motion for an Address in Reply to the Speech of the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session, having been read,

The debate was resumed.

THE EVENING SITTING

8.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

The debate continued and, after some time, it was,

On motion by Mr. Cunningham,

Ordered, That the debate be adjourned.

Two matters were debated on the motion to adjourn and the House then adjourned at 10.53 p.m.

Sessional Papers:—

Ontario Science Centre Annual Report, April 1, 1974 to March 31, 1975 (No. 23).

McMichael Canadian Collection Annual Report 1975-76 (No. 24).

Art Gallery of Ontario Annual Report 1972-73 (No. 25).

Art Gallery of Ontario Annual Report 1973-74 (No. 26).

Art Gallery of Ontario Annual Report 1974-75 (No. 27).

Art Gallery of Ontario Annual Report 1975-76 (No. 28).

Report of the Financial Protection Task Force March 1977 (No. 29).

Background material relating to Bill 2, An Act to amend The Highway Traffic Act (No. 30).

Background material relating to Bill 6, The Family Law Reform Act (No. 31).

Background material relating to Bill 7, The Marriage Act, 1977 (No. 32).

Background material relating to Bill 8, The Succession Law Reform Act (No. 33).

Background material relating to Bill 9, The Children's Law Reform Act, 1977 (No. 34).

Background material relating to Bill 11, An Act to amend The Personal Property Security Act (No. 35).

Background material relating to Bill 14, An Act to amend The Labour Relations Act (No. 36).

Background material relating to Bill 19, An Act to regulate Trading in Commodity Futures Contracts (*No. 37*).

Compendium of background material relating to proposed legislation respecting Services for Children (*No. 38*).

SIXTH DAY

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6TH, 1977

PRAYERS

2.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Bills were introduced and read the first time:—

Bill 24, The Audit Act, 1977. *Mr. McKeough*.

Bill 25, The Medical Data Bank Act, 1977. *Mr. Newman* (Windsor-Walkerville).

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Amendment to the Motion for an Address in Reply to the Speech of the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session, having been read,

The debate was resumed and, after some time, it was,

On motion by Mr. Conway,

Ordered, That the debate be adjourned.

The House then adjourned at 6.00 p.m.

Sessional Paper:—

Compendium re Bill 24, The Audit Act, 1977 (*No. 39*).

SEVENTH DAY

THURSDAY, APRIL 7TH, 1977

PRAYERS

10.00 O'CLOCK A.M.

Mrs. Campbell from the Standing Procedural Affairs Committee presented the Committee's report which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee has carefully examined the following Applications for Private Acts and finds the Notices, as published in each case, sufficient:—

Webwood Investments Limited
 The Trustees of the Toronto General Burying Grounds
 Canada Trustco Mortgage Company
 Borough of York
 Village of Erie Beach
 John A. Schmalz Agenices Ltd.
 Borough of Scarborough
 Fred LeBlond Cement Products Ltd.
 Borough of East York
 Brockville General Hospital
 Kevalaine Corporation Ltd.
 Township of Dover
 Monsignor Zoel Lambert—Casgrain Township
 Roman Catholic Episcopal Church—Diocese of Alexandria
 County of Peterborough
 Frank Postl Enterprises Ltd.
 City of Ottawa
 Lombardo Furniture & Appliances Ltd.
 City of Sault Ste. Marie
 Perfume & Cosmetic Bars

Your Committee further recommends that copies of the Canadian Parliamentary Guide be purchased for distribution to the Members of the Assembly.

The following Bills were introduced and read the first time:—

Bill 26, An Act to establish the Ministry of Northern Affairs. *Mr. Davis.*

Bill 27, An Act to amend The Employees' Health and Safety Act, 1976.
Mr. Laughren.

Mr. Auld delivered to Mr. Speaker a message from the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor signed by her own hand, and the said message was read by Mr. Speaker and is as follows:—

PAULINE M. MCGIBBON

The Lieutenant Governor transmits Estimates of certain sums required for the services of the Province for the year ending the 31st March, 1978 and recommends them to the Legislative Assembly.

Toronto, 7th April, 1977.

(*Sessional Paper No. 3—Volume 4, 1977-78*).

Ordered, That the message of the Lieutenant Governor, together with the Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Amendment to the Motion for an Address in Reply to the Speech of the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session, having been read,

The debate was resumed and, after some time, it was,

On motion by Mr. Di Santo,

Ordered, That the debate be adjourned.

The House then adjourned at 1.00 p.m.

Sessional Papers:—

Annual Report for the Ministry of Transportation and Communications for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1976 (*No. 40*).

Answer to question asked in the House by Eric Cunningham, M.P.P. for Wentworth North respecting U.T.D.C. and related documents (*No. 41*).

Statement of Expenditures for the Ministry of the Solicitor General from April 1, 1976 to February 28, 1977 (*No. 42*).

EIGHTH DAY

TUESDAY, APRIL 12TH, 1977

PRAYERS

2.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

On motion by Mr. Welch,

Ordered, That Mr. Smith (Nipissing) be substituted for Mr. Gaunt on the Standing Resources Development Committee and that Mr. Gaunt be substituted for Mr. Smith (Nipissing) on the Standing General Government Committee.

The following Bills were introduced and read the first time:—

Bill 28, An Act to amend The Residential Premises Rent Review Act, 1975 (*2nd Session*). *Mr. Handleman*.

Bill 29, An Act to provide for successor Rights on the Transfer of an Undertaking to or from the Crown. *Mr. Auld*.

Bill 30, An Act to amend The Municipal Elections Act, 1972. *Mr. Smith* (Hamilton West).

The following Private Bills were introduced, read the first time and referred to the Standing Administration of Justice Committee:

Pr2, An Act respecting the Trustees of the Toronto General Burying Grounds. *Mr. Drea*.

Pr4, An Act respecting Canada Trustco Mortgage Company. *Mr. Peterson*.

Pr6, An Act respecting Webwood Investments Limited. *Mr. Stong*.

Pr9, An Act respecting the Borough of East York. *Mr. Leluk*.

Pr11, An Act respecting Lombardo Furniture and Appliances Limited. *Mr. Burr*.

Pr13, An Act respecting Kevalaine Corporation Limited. *Mr. Grossman*.

Pr16, An Act respecting Fred Leblond Cement Products Limited. *Mr. Morrow*.

Pr19, An Act respecting The Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation for the Diocese of Alexandria, in Ontario, Canada. *Mr. Villeneuve*.

Pr24, An Act respecting Frank Postl Enterprises Limited. *Mr. Johnston* (St. Catharines).

The following Private Bills were introduced, read the first time and referred to the Standing General Government Committee:

Pr5, An Act respecting the Borough of York. *Mr. MacDonald*.

Pr20, An Act respecting the Village of Erie Beach. *Mr. Spence*.

The following Private Bill was introduced, read the first time and referred to the Standing Social Development Committee:

Pr7, An Act respecting the Brockville General Hospital. *Mr. McCague*.

The Government House Leader outlined the schedule for House business and committee meetings for the Session (*See Hansard*).

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Amendment to the Motion for an Address in Reply to the Speech of the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session, having been read,

The debate was resumed.

THE EVENING SITTING

8.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

The debate continued and, after some time, it was,

On motion by Mr. Sargent,

Ordered, That the debate be adjourned.

The House then adjourned at 10.30 p.m.

Sessional Papers:—

First Annual Report of the College Relations Commission, 1975 (*No. 43*).

McMaster University Financial Report for year ended April 30, 1976 (*No. 44*).

Ontario Law Reform Commission Report on The Impact of Divorce on Existing Wills, 1977 (*No. 45*).

Compendium of background material re: Bill 28, An Act to amend The Residential Premises Rent Review Act, 1975 (*2nd Session*) (*No. 46*).

NINTH DAY

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13TH, 1977

The following Committees met:—

The Select Committee on Highway Safety.

The Select Committee on Highway Transportation of Goods.

TENTH DAY

THURSDAY, APRIL 14TH, 1977

PRAYERS

2.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Germa from the Standing Public Accounts Committee presented the Committee's report which was read as follows:

Your Committee recommends to the Legislature that a commissioner be appointed under The Public Enquiries Act from the Court of Appeal of the Province of Ontario to inquire into and make recommendations upon all matters related to the Government's exemption of Ronto Development Corporation from land speculation tax made by regulation on April 14th, 1976.

Your Committee further recommends that the terms of reference for this inquiry be placed before the Legislature for approval within 10 days.

And a debate arising, after some time, it was,

On motion by Mr. Breithaupt,

Ordered, That the debate be adjourned.

On motion by Mr. Welch,

Ordered, That section (h) of Clause 37 in provisional standing orders, as approved by the House December 16th, 1976, be amended by deleting the section and substituting the following:

- (h) No question will be put to the House before 5.50 p.m. The votes on all items not opposed at 5.50 p.m. shall be stacked and put forthwith. If a division is requested by five members, there will be a five-minute division bell, following which all questions will be put forthwith.

On motion by Mr. Welch,

Ordered, That section (j) of Clause 37 in provisional standing orders, as approved by the House December 16th, 1976, be amended by adding the following:

and that all Bills intended for debate be introduced, at latest, on the Tuesday of the second week previous to the week in which such Bill is to be debated; and that notice of a Motion intended to be debated be printed on the Tuesday of the second week previous to the week in which such motion is to be debated.

The following Bills were introduced and read the first time:—

Bill 31, An Act to require The Essex County Board of Education to provide a French-language Secondary School. *Mr. Wells.*

Bill 32, An Act to amend The Labour Relations Act. *Mr. Stong.*

Bill 33, An Act respecting Certain Rights of Patients receiving Health Care Services in Ontario. *Mr. Dukszta.*

Before the Orders of the Day, Mr. Speaker addressed the House as follows:—

It has been suggested that before the first Private Members' period under the Provisional Rules, I should outline as clearly as possible what I understand to be the consensus of the House respecting the procedure to be followed.

My understanding is this. When the Routine Proceedings have been completed, the Orders of the Day are, of course, the two prescribed items of Public Business. The time from the commencement of such proceedings until 5.50 p.m. will be divided equally between the two Orders. When debate on the first Order has concluded, the Speaker will immediately call the second Order for debate. When debate on both Orders has been concluded, if no petition adverse to a vote has been filed in accordance with Provisional Order 37 (f), the Speaker will put a question on the first Order as follows.

“Shall there be a vote on this motion. Any Members opposed to a vote must now rise.”

If 20 Members rise a vote is of course blocked, but if any less than 20 Members stand a vote will be ordered and stacked. The same procedure will then be followed with respect to the second Order of the Day. If votes on both the Orders are blocked that of course ends the proceedings. If, however, a vote is ordered with respect to either one or both of the Orders, the Speaker will proceed to call for the voice-vote, the Ayes and Nays, in the usual way and give his opinion as to whether the Ayes or Nays have it. If that opinion is accepted the vote is so recorded. If, however, 5 Members stand in their places in the usual way to call for a recorded vote in either one or both cases, there will be a five-minute division bell after which the recorded vote or votes will be taken.

The time allotment for each Member speaking will remain as heretofore with this exception; the mover may, if he wishes, reserve any part of his 20 minutes for reply at the end of the debate. He must, however, advise the Speaker beforehand of his intention to do so and as to how many minutes he is so reserving.

Answers were Tabled to questions nos. 1, 3, 4, 5, 16, 17 and 19. (*See Hansard*).

Interim answers to questions nos. 2, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 18 and 20 were Tabled. (*See Hansard*).

Mr. Maeck moved Second Reading of Bill 3, An Act respecting the Withholding or Withdrawal of Treatment where Death is Inevitable and a debate arising, at 4.55 p.m. further proceedings on the motion were then reserved until 5.50 p.m. and:—

Mr. Lawlor then moved Second Reading of Bill 4, An Act to provide for Freedom of Information and a debate arising, after some time,

Mr. Speaker put the Question:—

Shall there be a vote on Bill 3, An Act respecting the Withholding or Withdrawal of Treatment where Death is Inevitable which Question was decided in the affirmative,

Mr. Speaker then put the Question:—

Shall there be a vote on Bill 4, An Act to provide for Freedom of Information which question was decided in the negative, more than twenty Members indicating their objection.

Mr. Speaker then put the motion for Second Reading of Bill 3, which motion was carried on the following division:—

AYES

Auld	Johnson (Wellington- Dufferin-Peel)	Norton
Belanger	Jones	Parrott
Birch	Kennedy	Philip
Bryden	Lane	Samis
Cassidy	Lewis	Sandeman
Cunningham	MacBeth	Scrivener
Davidson	MacDonald	Shore
(Cambridge)	Maeck	Singer
Davison	Makarchuk	Smith
(Hamilton Centre)	McCague	(Hamilton Mountain)
Drea	McMurtry	Stephenson
Dukszta	Meen	Taylor
Eaton	Miller (Muskoka)	Timbrell
Evans	Moffatt	Villeneuve
Ferrier	Morrow	Warner
Germa	Newman	Wildman
Gregory	(Durham York)	Wiseman
Grossman		Young—50.
Hodgson		

NAYS

Bain	Lawlor	Renwick
Bernier	Mackenzie	Rhodes
Breaugh	Mancini	Riddell
Breithaupt	Martel	Ruston
Brunelle	McClellan	Smith
Burr	McKeough	(Nipissing)
Conway	McNeil	Stong
Deans	Miller	Swart
Di Santo	(Haldimand-Norfolk)	Sweeney
Eakins	Newman	Welch
Ferris	(Windsor-Walkerville)	Wells
Foulds	Nixon	Williams
Good	Reed	Worton
Grande	(Halton-Burlington)	Ziemba—41.
Hall	Reid	
Kerrio	(Rainy River)	

And the Bill was accordingly read the second time and in accordance with the vote of the House was referred to the Standing Social Development Committee.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Amendment to the Motion for an Address in Reply to the Speech of the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session, having been read,

The debate was resumed.

THE EVENING SITTING

The debate continued and, after some time,

Disorder arose and the Member for Port Arthur (Mr. Foulds) refused to withdraw unparliamentary language when directed to do so by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker named the Member for Port Arthur and suspended him from the service of the House for the remainder of this sitting.

The debate continued and, after some time,

On motion by Mr. Mancini,

Ordered, That the debate be adjourned.

The House then adjourned at 10.30 p.m.

Sessional Papers:—

Compendium of background material on Relocation of Ontario Government Facilities (*No. 47*).

Twelfth Annual Report of the Pension Commission of Ontario for the year ending March 31, 1976 (*No. 48*).

Thirtieth Report of the Liquor Licence Board of Ontario, April 1, 1975 to March 31, 1976 (*No. 49*).

Annual Report of the Liquor Control Board of Ontario, March 31, 1976 (*No. 50*).

Ministry of Culture and Recreation Annual Report 1975-76 (*No. 51*).

Ontario Heritage Foundation Annual Report to March 31, 1976 (*No. 52*).

ELEVENTH DAY

FRIDAY, APRIL 15TH, 1977

PRAYERS

10.00 O'CLOCK A.M.

A motion by Mr. Smith (Hamilton West) to adjourn the House was lost on a division of:—

AYES—20

NAYS—49

Mrs. Campbell from the Standing Procedural Affairs Committee presented the Committee's report which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee has carefully examined the following Application for a Private Act and finds the Notices, as published, sufficient:—

Village of Port McNicoll.

Your Committee further recommends that, in accordance with the Order of the House of March 31st, paragraph 7, the latest annual report of all Agencies, Boards and Commissions be referred to the Committee.

The following Bills were introduced and read the first time:—

Bill 34, An Act to amend The Airports Act. *Mr. Snow.*

Bill 35, An Act to amend The Public Vehicles Act. *Mr. Snow.*

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Amendment to the Motion for an Address in Reply to the Speech of the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session, having been read,

The debate was resumed and, after some time, it was,

On motion by Mr. Newman (Windsor-Walkerville),

Ordered, That the debate be adjourned.

The Answer was Tabled to question (*No. 21*). (*See Hansard*).

The House then adjourned at 1.00 p.m.

Sessional Papers:—

Compendium of background information on Bill 35, An Act to amend The Public Vehicles Act (*No. 53*).

Compendium of background information on Bill 34, An Act to amend The Airports Act (*No. 54*).

TWELFTH DAY

MONDAY, APRIL 18TH, 1977

PRAYERS

2.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Bills were introduced and read the first time:—

Bill 36, An Act to establish Electrical Service Areas in The Regional Municipality of Waterloo. *Mr. McKeough.*

Bill 37, An Act to amend The Ontario Human Rights Code. *Mr. Newman* (Windsor-Walkerville).

The Answers were Tabled to questions Nos. 22, 23 and 24 (*See Hansard*).

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Amendment to the Motion for an Address in Reply to the Speech of the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session, having been read,

The debate was resumed.

THE EVENING SITTING

The debate continued and, after some time,

The Amendment to the Motion as follows:—

That the Motion for an Address in Reply to the Speech of the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor now before the House be amended by adding thereto the following words:—

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And while it is recognized that those portions of Her Honour's address which dealt with questions of national unity are eminently supportable;

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 - (c) Major development and building of diversified housing for low and middle-income citizens;
 - (d) An intensive program of secondary and tertiary-manufacturing based on our resource sector.
2. The failure to call for an early end to the A.I.B. despite increasing public concern that controls are now hurting far more than they are working.
3. The failure to moderate increases in the cost-of-living by refusing to recognize that:
 - (a) The present property tax formula places an unfair burden on middle, low, and fixed-income families;
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4. The failure to protect, adequately, our natural resource heritage, be it water, minerals, forests or agricultural land, compounded by the continued absence of a land-use plan for Ontario.
5. The failure to call for a complete overhaul of the Workmen's Compensation Board to civilize it, to humanize it, and to make it respond sensitively to many of the people it was created to serve.

And for all the foregoing enumerated reasons, this government no longer enjoys the confidence of this House.

having been put, was lost on the following division:—

AYES

Angus	Di Santo	Makarchuk
Bain	Dukszta	Martel
Bounsall	Ferrier	McClellan
Breaugh	Foulds	Philip
Bryden	Germa	Renwick
Burr	Grande	Samis
Cassidy	Laughren	Sandeman
Davidson	Lawlor	Swart
(Cambridge)	Lewis	Warner
Davison	Lupusella	Wildman
(Hamilton Centre)	MacDonald	Young
Deans	Mackenzie	Ziemba—34.

NAYS

Auld	Hall	Miller
Belanger	Handleman	(Mus-koka)
Bennett	Henderson	Morrow
Bernier	Hodgson	Newman
Birch	Johnson	(Durham York)
Breithaupt	(Wellington- Dufferin-Peel)	Newman
Brunelle	Jones	(Windsor-Walkerville)
Bullbrook	Kennedy	Nixon
Campbell	Kerr	Norton
Conway	Kerrio	O'Neil
Cunningham	Lane	Parrott
Davis	Leluk	Peterson
Drea	MacBeth	Reid
Eakins	Maeck	(Rainy River)
Eaton	Mancini	Rhodes
Edighoffer	McCague	Ruston
Ferris	McEwen	Scrivener
Gaunt	McKeough	Shore
Good	McMurtry	Singer
Gregory	McNeil	Smith
Grossman	Meen	(Hamilton Mountain)
Haggerty	Miller	Smith
	(Haldimand-Norfolk)	(Nipissing)

NAYS—Continued

Smith (Hamilton West)	Stephenson	Wells
Snow	Taylor	Williams
Spence	Timbrell	Worton
	Welch	Yakabuski—71.

Pair: Stokes and Smith (Simcoe East)

The main motion, having been put, was carried on the same vote reversed,

And it was,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Ontario, as follows:—

To the Honourable Pauline M. McGibbon, O.C., B.A., LL.D., D.U. (Ott.), B.A.A. (Theatre), Lieutenant Governor of Ontario.

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious Speech Your Honour has addressed to us.

Ordered, That the Address be engrossed and presented to the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor by those Members of this House who are Members of the Executive Council.

The House then adjourned at 10.35 p.m.

Sessional Papers:—

Annual Report of the Ministry of Health 1975-76 (*No. 55*).

Report of the Executive Co-ordinator of Women's Programs on the Status of Women Crown Employees and summary thereof (*No. 56*).

Teaching and learning French as a second language—A new program for Ontario students (*No. 57*).

Annual Report of the Registrar General for the year ending December 31st, 1976 (*No. 58*).

Report of the Minister of Education for the fiscal year 1975-76 (*No. 59*).

Annual Report of the Board of Governors The Ontario Institute for Studies in Education 1975-76 (*No. 60*).

Annual Report of the Ontario Municipal Board for year ended December 31st, 1976 (*No. 61*).

Compendium of background information on Bill 36, An Act to establish Electrical Service Areas in The Regional Municipality of Waterloo (*No. 62*).

Government Response to Petition tabled April 4th, 1977 from the Member for Timiskaming respecting Ontario Hydro Rates (*No. 63*).

THIRTEENTH DAY

TUESDAY, APRIL 19TH, 1977

PRAYERS

2.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker addressed the House as follows:—

On Friday last during the Question Period, a rather unusual procedure developed, brought about, I think it is fair to say, by the large number of ministers absent from the House during the Question Period.

There are two points that should be mentioned as far as the procedural aspect is concerned; first, as was pointed out, the ordinary rule as set out in Standing Order 31 (a) is that motions to adjourn the House may be moved prior to the Orders of the Day only by leave of the House. I suggest that leave of the House does not necessarily predicate the unanimous consent but is something which the Speaker must judge according to the circumstances at the time. In view of what went before on Friday, and as no objection to the motion was made, I presumed leave of the House, and I feel that I was correct in this presumption. I point out that there is precedent for this action.

The second point on which I feel I should comment is that a member must under ordinary circumstances, gain the floor in the usual way before he has the right to move such motion. He may not interrupt the member who has the floor by alleging a point of order for the purpose of moving the adjournment. However, again the circumstances were unusual. It was in the Question Period; that is, no one was holding the floor to speak on a debate and as the Leader of the Opposition, who had the floor to ask a question, took no objection to Mr. Smith's interruption, again I gauged the mood of the House to be such that it was desirable to allow the bells to ring on the motion in order to bring the House back to some semblance of order.

With respect to the other point raised by the Government House Leader, while it is true that he does not have any specific duties prescribed by the rules until the Orders of the Day have been entered upon, it is surely the duty of the Executive Council to see that there are sufficient members of the Council in the House during the Question Period to make it meaningful. Certainly the Speaker can not be expected to take on this obligation.

Mrs. Campbell from the Standing Procedural Affairs Committee presented the Committee's report which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee has carefully examined the following Applications for Private Acts and finds the Notices, as published in each case, sufficient:—

City of Ottawa

City of Toronto

The following Bills were introduced and read the first time:—

Bill 38, An Act respecting Toxic and Hazardous Substances. *Mr. Lewis.*

Bill 39, An Act to Prohibit Discrimination in Business Transactions.
Mr. Grossman.

The Acting Government House Leader outlined the schedule for consideration of estimates and the amount of time agreed on for each set of estimates (*See Hansard*).

The Answers were Tabled to questions Nos. 26 and 27 (*See Hansard*).

The Interim Answers were Tabled to questions Nos. 25 and 28 (*See Hansard*).

Debate on the motion for Second Reading of Bill 28, An Act to amend The Residential Premises Rent Review Act, 1975 (2nd Session), was adjourned.

THE EVENING SITTING

8.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. McKeough moved, seconded by Mr. Welch, That this House approves in general the Budgetary policy of the Government, and in doing so presented his Budget and Budget papers. (*Sessional Paper No. 4*).

And a debate having ensued, it was on motion by Mr. Cassidy,

Ordered, That the debate be adjourned.

By unanimous consent, the following Bills were introduced and read the first time:—

Bill 40, An Act to amend The Income Tax Act. *Mr. McKeough.*

Bill 41, An Act to amend The Ontario Unconditional Grants Act, 1975. *Mr. McKeough.*

Bill 42, An Act to amend The Succession Duty Act. *Mr. McKeough.*

Bill 43, An Act to Authorize the Raising of Money on the Credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund. *Mr. McKeough.*

Bill 44, An Act respecting the Registration of Venture Investment Corporations. *Mr. McKeough.*

Bill 45, An Act to amend The Tobacco Tax Act. *Mr. McKeough.*

Bill 46, An Act to provide Employment Opportunities for Youth in Ontario. *Mr. McKeough.*

Bill 47, An Act to amend The Retail Sales Tax Act. *Mrs. Scrivener.*

Bill 48, An Act to amend The Land Transfer Tax Act, 1974. *Mrs. Scrivener.*

Bill 49, An Act to amend The Land Speculation Tax Act, 1974. *Mrs. Scrivener.*

Bill 50, An Act to amend The Corporations Tax Act, 1972. *Mrs. Scrivener.*

Bill 51, An Act to amend The Gift Tax Act, 1972. *Mrs. Scrivener.*

Bill 52, An Act to amend The Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax Act. *Mrs. Scrivener.*

Bill 53, An Act to impose a Tax on Certain Pollutants of the Environment in Ontario. *Mrs. Scrivener.*

The House then adjourned at 9.35 p.m.

Sessional Papers:—

A Report of the Ontario Council of Health—The Distribution of Hospital and Nursing Home Beds in Metropolitan Toronto, March, 1977 (*No. 64*).

Ministry of Transportation and Communications Construction Program 1977-78 (*No. 65*).

Consolidations of: Corporation and Income Tax Legislation, including Mining Taxes; The Land Speculation Tax Act, 1974; The Land Transfer Tax Act, 1974; Succession Duty and Gift Tax Legislation; The Retail Sales Tax Act; The Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax Act (*No. 66*).

FOURTEENTH DAY

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20TH, 1977

The following Committees met:—

The Select Committee on Highway Safety.

The Standing Administration of Justice Committee.

The Standing General Government Committee.

The Standing Resources Development Committee.

The Standing Social Development Committee.

FIFTEENTH DAY

THURSDAY, APRIL 21ST, 1977

PRAYERS

2.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Welch delivered to Mr. Speaker a message from the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor signed by her own hand, and the said message was read by Mr. Speaker and is as follows:—

PAULINE M. MCGIBBON

The Lieutenant Governor transmits Estimates of certain sums required for the services of the Province for the year ending the 31st March, 1978 and recommends them to the Legislative Assembly.

Toronto, 21st April, 1977.

(*Sessional Paper No. 3—Volume 3, 1977-78*).

Ordered, That the message of the Lieutenant Governor, together with the Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker having informed the House of the death of Major Soame, late Sergeant-at-Arms,

On motion by Mr. Welch, seconded by Mr. Deans, it was,

Ordered, That, this House note with profound regret the passing of Major G. Reginald Soame, C.D., Sergeant-at-Arms of the Ontario Legislature from February, 1972 to October, 1976, and that the House do now observe one minute of silence in his memory.

Mrs. Campbell from the Standing Procedural Affairs Committee presented the Committee's report which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee has carefully examined the following Application for a Private Act and finds the Notices, as published, sufficient:—

Borough of North York.

Mr. Renwick from the Standing Administration of Justice Committee presented the Committee's Report which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee begs to report the following Bills without amendment:—

Bill Pr2, An Act respecting the Trustees of the Toronto General Burying Grounds.

Bill Pr4, An Act respecting Canada Trustco Mortgage Company.

Bill Pr6, An Act respecting Webwood Investments Limited.

Bill Pr9, An Act respecting the Borough of East York.

Bill Pr11, An Act respecting Lombardo Furniture and Appliances Limited.

Bill Pr13, An Act respecting Kevalaine Corporation Limited.

Bill Pr16, An Act respecting Fred Leblond Cement Products Limited.

Bill Pr19, An Act respecting The Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation for the Diocese of Alexandria, in Ontario, Canada.

Bill Pr24, An Act respecting Frank Postl Enterprises Limited.

Your Committee further recommends that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill Pr19, An Act respecting The Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation for the Diocese of Alexandria, in Ontario, Canada.

Mr. Gaunt from the Standing General Government Committee presented the Committee's Report which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee begs to report the following Bills without amendment:—

Bill Pr5, An Act respecting the Borough of York.

Bill Pr20, An Act respecting the Village of Erie Beach.

The following Bills were introduced and read the first time:—

Bill 54, An Act to establish the Ontario Waste Disposal and Reclamation Commission. *Mr. Newman* (Windsor-Walkerville).

Bill 55, An Act respecting Ryerson Polytechnical Institute. *Mr. Parrott*.

The following Private Bill was introduced, read the first time and referred to the Standing Administration of Justice Committee:

Bill Pr27, An Act respecting The Perfume & Cosmetics Bars Limited. *Mr. Peterson*.

Mr. Singer moved, seconded by Mr. Nixon,

That in the opinion of this House:—1. the Government should establish a Register of all properties owned by the Province of Ontario or by any of its Boards or Agencies, which Register shall be set out the following: (a) the date on which the land was acquired; (b) the size of the parcel of land; (c) the total acquisition price; (d) the purpose for which it was acquired, and the approximate date that it is anticipated that it will be used for such purpose; (e) the present use of the land; (f) the authority which allowed its acquisition; (g) the amount of commissions paid to any persons or agents concerning the acquisition and to whom they were paid; (h) the amount of legal fees paid in connection with such acquisition and to whom they were paid; (i) that such Register be open to inspection by any interested person. 2. the Government should establish guidelines for all future acquisitions which will ensure the clarity of procedures and fairness whenever land is acquired; and that such guidelines be approved by this House; that when any land not now owned by the Province of Ontario or any of its Boards or Agencies is acquired that

within three months of the date of such acquisition full details concerning the acquisition are added to the Register referred to above. 3. when any land owned by the Province of Ontario or any of its Boards or Agencies has been disposed of, full details of such disposition be added to the Register referred to above within 3 months of such disposition and a debate arising,

after some time,

Mr. Rhodes moved, seconded by Mr. Smith (Hamilton Mountain),

That the introductory words of the first sentence of the Resolution be amended to read as follows:—

The government should establish a system of registration for all properties purchased by the Province of Ontario or by any of its Boards or Agencies on or after January 1, 1970, which system of registration shall set out the following; and

That sentence two of the Resolution be amended by adding to it the following words provided that when more than one parcel of land is being acquired for a project the registration is not required until within three months after the date of the last acquisition.

at 4.40 p.m. further proceedings on the motion were then reserved until 5.50 p.m. and:—

Mr. Johnson (Wellington-Dufferin-Peel) then moved Second Reading of Bill 10, An Act to amend The Election Finances Reform Act, 1975 and a debate arising after some time,

Mr. Speaker put the Question:—

Shall there be a vote on Mr. Singer's Resolution which question was decided in the affirmative,

Mr. Speaker then put the Question:—

Shall there be a vote on Bill 10, An Act to amend The Election Finances Reform Act, 1975 which question was decided in the affirmative,

Mr. Speaker then put the Question:—

Shall the amendment to Mr. Singer's Resolution carry which motion was decided in the affirmative,

Mr. Speaker then put the Question:—

Shall Mr. Singer's Resolution as amended carry which motion was decided in the affirmative, and it was.

Resolved, That in the opinion of this House:—1. The government should establish a system of registration for all properties purchased by the

Province of Ontario or by any of its Boards of Agencies on or after January 1, 1970, which system of registration shall set out the following: (a) the date on which the land was acquired; (b) the size of the parcel of land; (c) the total acquisition price; (d) the purpose for which it was acquired, and the approximate date that it is anticipated that it will be used for such purpose; (e) the present use of the land; (f) the authority which allowed its acquisition; (g) the amount of commissions paid to any persons or agents concerning the acquisition and to whom they were paid; (h) the amount of legal fees paid in connection with such acquisition and to whom they were paid; (i) that such Register be open to inspection by any interested person. 2. the Government should establish guidelines for all future acquisitions which will ensure the clarity of procedures and fairness whenever land is acquired; and that such guidelines be approved by this House; that when any land not now owned by the Province of Ontario or any of its Boards or Agencies is acquired that within three months of the date of such acquisition full details concerning the acquisition are added to the Register referred to above provided that when more than one parcel of land is being acquired for a project the registration is not required until within three months after the date of the last acquisition. 3. when any land owned by the Province of Ontario or any of its Boards or Agencies has been disposed of, full details of such disposition be added to the Register referred to above within 3 months of such disposition.

Mr. Speaker then put the motion for Second Reading of Bill 10, An Act to amend The Election Finances Reform Act, 1975 which motion was declared carried, and the Bill was accordingly read the second time and *Ordered for Third Reading.*

The following Bill was read the third time and was passed:—

Bill 10, An Act to amend The Election Finances Reform Act, 1975.

The debate on the motion for Second Reading of Bill 28, An Act to amend The Residential Premises Rent Review Act, 1975 (2nd Session), was resumed,

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8.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

The debate continued and, after some time,

On motion by Mr. Deans,

Ordered, That the debate be adjourned.

One matter was debated on the motion to adjourn and the House then adjourned at 10.40 p.m.

Sessional Papers:—

Statement of Expenditures and other material related to the Estimates of the Ministry of Housing (*No. 67*).

Report on the Attorney General's Committee on the Appellate Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of Ontario (*No. 68*).

Copy of Order-in-Council dated April 20, 1977 appointing Mr. Justice John David Cromarty a commissioner to inquire into Ronto Development Co. exemption from Land Speculation Tax (*No. 69*).

Ontario Educational Communications Authority Annual Report, 1976 (*No. 70*).

SIXTEENTH DAY
FRIDAY, APRIL 22ND, 1977

PRAYERS

10.00 O'CLOCK A.M.

Mr. Wells delivered to Mr. Speaker a message from the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor signed by her own hand, and the said message was read by Mr. Speaker and is as follows:—

PAULINE M. MCGIBBON

The Lieutenant Governor transmits Estimates of certain sums required for the services of the Province for the year ending the 31st March, 1978 and recommends them to the Legislative Assembly.

Toronto, 22nd April, 1977.

(*Sessional Paper No. 3—Volume 1, 1977-78*).

Ordered, That the message of the Lieutenant Governor, together with the Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time:—

Bill 56, An Act to amend The Employment Standards Act, 1974. *Mr. Newman* (Windsor-Walkerville).

Debate on the motion for Second Reading of Bill 31, An Act to require The Essex County Board of Education to provide a French-language Secondary School, was adjourned.

The House then adjourned at 1.00 p.m.

Sessional Papers:—

Annual Report of the Ontario Stock Yards Board for year ended June 30th, 1976 (*No. 71*).

Annual Report of the Ontario Food Terminal Board for year ended March 31st, 1976 (*No. 72*).

SEVENTEENTH DAY
MONDAY, APRIL 25TH, 1977

PRAYERS

2.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Bills were introduced and read the first time:—

Bill 57, An Act to amend the Regional Municipality of Durham Act, 1973. *Mr. Breaugh*.

Bill 58, An Act to amend The Consumer Protection Act. *Mr. Newman* (Windsor-Walkerville).

The Answers were Tabled to questions Nos. 28, 29, 30, 31 and 32 (*See Hansard*).

The following Bills were read the second time and *Ordered for Third Reading*:—

Bill Pr2, An Act respecting the Trustees of the Toronto General Burying Grounds.

Bill Pr4, An Act respecting Canada Trustco Mortgage Company.

Bill Pr5, An Act respecting the Borough of York.

Bill Pr6, An Act respecting Webwood Investments Limited.

Bill Pr9, An Act respecting the Borough of East York.

Bill Pr11, An Act respecting Lombardo Furniture and Appliances Limited.

Bill Pr13, An Act respecting Kevalaine Corporation Limited.

Bill Pr16, An Act respecting Fred Leblond Cement Products Limited.

Bill Pr19, An Act respecting The Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation for the Diocese of Alexandria, in Ontario, Canada.

Bill Pr20, An Act respecting the Village of Erie Beach.

Bill Pr24, An Act respecting Frank Postl Enterprises Limited.

The following Bills were read the third time and were passed:—

Bill Pr2, An Act respecting the Trustees of the Toronto General Burying Grounds.

Bill Pr4, An Act respecting Canada Trustco Mortgage Company.

Bill Pr5, An Act respecting the Borough of York.

Bill Pr6, An Act respecting Webwood Investments Limited.

Bill Pr9, An Act respecting the Borough of East York.

Bill Pr11, An Act respecting Lombardo Furniture and Appliances Limited.

Bill Pr13, An Act respecting Kevalaine Corporation Limited.

Bill Pr16, An Act respecting Fred Leblond Cement Products Limited.

Bill Pr19, An Act respecting The Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation for the Diocese of Alexandria, in Ontario, Canada.

Bill Pr20, An Act respecting the Village of Erie Beach.

Bill Pr24, An Act respecting Frank Postl Enterprises Limited.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the motion That this House approves in general the Budgetary policy of the Government, having been read,

The debate was resumed, and, after some time,

Mr. Cassidy moved, seconded by Mr. Lewis, that all the words after "that" be struck out, and the following added:

this House deplores the mismanagement by the Government of Ontario's economy; condemns the misrepresentation by the Treasurer of the Government's fiscal situation and Ontario's economic prospects; rejects the policy which accepts a permanent army of 200,000 unemployed; regrets the failure of the Treasurer to provide any long term direction for Ontario's industrial development and future prosperity; condemns the slavish addiction to ideology which has led the Treasurer to offer corporate tax handouts as his only remedy for our short term economic stagnation; and, above all, calls for a re-ordering of expenditure programs to create jobs in order to put the province back on the road to economic strength and security.

On motion by Mr. Peterson,

Ordered, That the debate be Adjourned.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that, in the name of Her Majesty the Queen, the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor had been pleased to assent to the following Bills in her Chambers:—

Bill 10, An Act to amend The Election Finances Reform Act, 1975.

Bill Pr2, An Act respecting the Trustees of the Toronto General Burying Grounds.

Bill Pr4, An Act respecting Canada Trustco Mortgage Company.

Bill Pr5, An Act respecting the Borough of York.

Bill Pr6, An Act respecting Webwood Investments Limited.

Bill Pr9, An Act respecting the Borough of East York.

Bill Pr11, An Act respecting Lombardo Furniture and Appliances Limited.

Bill Pr13, An Act respecting Kevalaine Corporation Limited.

Bill Pr16, An Act respecting Fred Leblond Cement Products Limited.

Bill Pr19, An Act respecting The Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation for the Diocese of Alexandria, in Ontario, Canada.

Bill Pr20, An Act respecting the Village of Erie Beach.

Bill Pr24, An Act respecting Frank Postl Enterprises Limited.

The House then adjourned at 5.05 p.m.

Sessional Papers:—

Annual Report of Ontario Place Corporation for year ended March 31st, 1976 (No. 73).

An Evaluation of the Ontario Home Renewal Program (No. 74).

EIGHTEENTH DAY

TUESDAY, APRIL 26TH, 1977

PRAYERS

2.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker addressed the House as follows:—

Yesterday three Petitions were tabled by Mr. Moffatt, Mr. Breaugh and Mr. Godfrey. I stated that I would examine them and report to the House today as to whether or not these Petitions are in order.

I direct the attention of the House to Standing Order 84, which reads as follows:

“No petition can be received which prays for any expenditure, grant or charge on the public revenue, whether payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, or out of moneys to be provided by the House”.

I then must direct the attention of the House to the last sentence of paragraph 1 of the three Petitions, which reads as follows:

“As an immediate solution, we require that increased funding from the Province be made available in the amount requested by the Region in December of 1975 of the Treasurer of Ontario”.

The House will see that these Petitions are in direct contravention of Standing Order 84 and therefore cannot be received. I am directing the Petitions be returned to the Members.

Perhaps I might suggest that the petitioners might make their representation to the Treasurer in some other way.

Mr. Bullbrook raised a point of Order relating to the use of the word “misrepresentation” in the amendment to the Budget motion moved by Mr. Cassidy yesterday.

After some time Mr. Speaker ruled the expression Out of Order, and, on motion by Mr. Cassidy, the word "misinterpretation" was substituted.

The following Private Bills were introduced, read the first time and referred to the Standing General Government Committee:

Bill Pr8, An Act respecting the Borough of Scarborough. *Mr. Drca.*

Bill Pr21, An Act respecting the Borough of North York. *Mr. Williams.*

The following Private Bill was introduced, read the first time and referred to the Commissioners of Estate Bills:—

Bill Pr25, An Act respecting Certain Lands in the Township of Casgrain. *Mr. Lanc.*

The following Bills were introduced and read the first time:—

Bill 59, An Act to amend The Environmental Assessment Act, 1975. *Mr. Kerr.*

Bill 60, An Act to amend The Pension Benefits Act. *Mr. Di Santo.*

Bill 61, An Act to amend The Workmen's Compensation Act. *Mr. Di Santo.*

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the amendment to the motion, That this House approves in general the Budgetary policy of the Government, having been read,

The debate was resumed.

THE EVENING SITTING

8.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

The debate continued and, after some time, it was,

On motion by Mr. Handleman.

Ordered, That the debate be adjourned.

The debate on the motion for Second Reading of Bill 28, An Act to amend The Residential Premises Rent Review Act, 1975 (*2nd Session*) was resumed, and after some time, the motion was carried and the Bill was accordingly read the second time and *Ordered for Committee of the Whole House*.

During the debate, Mr. Deputy Speaker suspended the sitting of the House for ten minutes, for grave disorder.

The debate on the motion for Second Reading of Bill 31, An Act to require The Essex County Board of Education to provide a French-language Secondary School, was resumed, and after some time, was again adjourned.

Two matters were debated on the motion to adjourn and the House then adjourned at 10.47 p.m.

Sessional Papers:—

Annual Report of the Ontario Cancer Treatment and Research Foundation, 1975 (*No. 75*).

Manpower Control in The Ontario Government (*No. 76*).

Treasurer's response to Mr. Ziembra's question of April 22nd, 1977, re Budget Lock-up (*No. 77*).

Consolidation of the Environmental Assessment Act and Minister's Statement relating thereto re Bill 59, An Act to amend The Environmental Assessment Act, 1975 (*No. 78*).

NINETEENTH DAY

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27TH, 1977

The following Committees met:—

The Standing Resources Development Committee.

The Standing Social Development Committee.

. TWENTIETH DAY
THURSDAY, APRIL 28TH, 1977

PRAYERS

2.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Private Bills were introduced, read the first time and referred to the Standing General Government Committee:—

Bill Pr3, An Act respecting the Township of Dover. *Mr. Spence.*

Bill Pr12, An Act respecting the Village of Port McNicoll. *Mr. Smith* (Simcoe East).

Bill Pr28, An Act respecting the City of Ottawa. *Mr. Morrow.*

Bill Pr31, An Act respecting the City of Toronto. *Mr. Grossman.*

The following Private Bill was introduced, read the first time and referred to the Standing Administration of Justice Committee:—

Bill Pr14, An Act respecting John A. Schmalz Agencies Limited. *Mr. Breithaupt.*

The following Private Bill was introduced, read the first time and referred to the Standing Social Development Committee:—

Bill Pr18, An Act respecting the City of Sault Ste. Marie. *Mr. Lane.*

The following Bills were introduced and read the first time:—

Bill 62, An Act to amend The Ministry of Labour Act. *Miss Stephenson.*

Bill 63, The Regional Municipalities Amendment Act, 1977. *Mr. McKeough.*

Bill 64, An Act to amend The District Municipality of Muskoka Act. *Mr. McKeough.*

Bill 65, An Act to amend The County of Oxford Act, 1974. *Mr. McKeough.*

Bill 66, An Act to amend The Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto Act. *Mr. McKeough.*

Bill 67, An Act to amend The Municipal Act. *Mr. McKeough.*

Bill 68, An Act to amend The Public Utilities Act. *Mr. McKeough.*

Bill 69, An Act to amend The City of Timmins-Porcupine Act, 1972. *Mr. McKeough.*

Bill 70, An Act to amend The Pension Benefits Act. *Mr. Bain.*

Bill 71, An Act to require a Single Price for Gasoline and Heating Oil sold in Ontario by a Wholesaler. *Mr. Lane.*

Bill 72, An Act to amend The Condominium Act. *Mr. Wildman.*

Bill 73, An Act to control Professional Fund-raising Corporations. *Mr. Newman* (Windsor-Walkerville).

Mr. Dukszta moved Second Reading of Bill 33, An Act respecting Certain Rights of Patients receiving Health Care Services in Ontario and a debate arising, at 4.40 p.m. further proceedings on the motion were then reserved until 5.50 p.m. and:—

Mrs. Campbell then moved Second Reading of Bill 16, An Act to amend The Ontario Human Rights Code and a debate arising, after some time,

Mr. Speaker put the Question:—

Shall there be a vote on Bill 33, An Act respecting Certain Rights of Patients receiving Health Care Services in Ontario which Question was decided in the negative, more than twenty Members having indicated their objection.

Mr. Speaker then put the Question:—

Shall there be a vote on Bill 16, An Act to amend The Ontario Human Rights Code which Question was decided in the negative, more than twenty Members having indicated their objection.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider a certain Bill:—

THE EVENING SITTING

8.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

After some time Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported, That the Committee had directed him to report progress on Bill 28, An Act to amend The Residential Premises Rent Review Act, 1975 (*2nd Session*).

Ordered, That the report be now received and adopted.

Three matters were debated on the motion to adjourn and the House then adjourned at 11.25 p.m.

Sessional Papers:—

Compendium of background information on Bill 59, An Act to amend The Environmental Assessment Act, 1975 (*No. 78 part 2*).

Report of the inquiry in respect to the affairs of the Township of Malden (*No. 79*).

Consolidations of The Municipal Act, The Public Utilities Act, The Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto Act and Consolidation of Affected Private Acts and relevant amendments (respecting Municipal Hospitals) re Bills 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68 and 69 introduced by Mr. McKeough (*No. 80*).

Compendium of background information on Bill 62, An Act to amend The Ministry of Labour Act (*No. 81*).

TWENTY-FIRST DAY
FRIDAY, APRIL 29TH, 1977

PRAYERS

10.00 O'CLOCK A.M.

Mr. Renwick from the Standing Administration of Justice Committee presented the Committee's Report which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee begs to report the following Bill without amendment:—

Bill Pr27, An Act respecting The Perfume & Cosmetic Bars Limited.

Mr. Gaunt from the Standing General Government Committee presented the Committee's Report which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee begs to report the following Bills without amendment:—

Bill Pr8, An Act respecting the Borough of Scarborough.

Bill Pr21, An Act respecting the Borough of North York.

The following Bills were introduced and read the first time:—

Bill 74, An Act to amend The Employment Standards Act, 1974. *Mr. Bounsall.*

Bill 75, An Act to amend The Labour Relations Act. *Mr. Bounsall.*

Bill 76, An Act to prohibit the Use of Non-Returnable Beverage Containers. *Mr. Riddell.*

Bill 77, An Act to amend The Territorial Division Act. *Mr. Bain.*

Bill 78, An Act to amend The Ontario Human Rights Code. *Mr. Angus.*

The following Bills were read the second time and *Ordered for Third Reading*:—

Bill Pr8, An Act respecting the Borough of Scarborough.

Bill Pr21, An Act respecting the Borough of North York.

Bill Pr27, An Act respecting The Perfume & Cosmetic Bars Limited.

The following Bills were read the third time and were passed:—

Bill Pr8, An Act respecting the Borough of Scarborough.

Bill Pr21, An Act respecting the Borough of North York.

Bill Pr27, An Act respecting The Perfume & Cosmetic Bars Limited.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider a certain Bill:—

After some time Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the following Bill with certain amendments:—

Bill 28, An Act to amend The Residential Premises Rent Review Act, 1975 (*2nd Session*).

Ordered, That the report be now received and adopted.

The following Bill was read the third time and was passed:—

Bill 28, An Act to amend The Residential Premises Rent Review Act, 1975 (*2nd Session*).

The Honourable the Lieutenant Governor of the Province entered the Chamber of the Legislative Assembly and took her seat upon the Throne.

Mr. Speaker addressed Her Honour in the following words:—

“May it please Your Honour:

The Legislative Assembly of the Province has at its present Sittings thereof passed certain Bills to which, in the name and on behalf of the said Legislative Assembly, I respectfully request Your Honour's Assent.”

The Clerk Assistant then read the titles of the Bills that had passed as follows:—

“The following are the titles of the Bills to which Your Honour's Assent is prayed:

Bill 28, An Act to amend The Residential Premises Rent Review Act, 1975 (*2nd Session*).

Bill Pr8, An Act respecting the Borough of Scarborough.

Bill Pr21, An Act respecting the Borough of North York.

Bill Pr27, An Act respecting The Perfume & Cosmetic Bars Limited.”

To these Acts the Royal Assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the following words:

“In Her Majesty's name, the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor doth assent to these Bills.”

Her Honour was then pleased to retire.

The House then adjourned at 1.05 p.m.

Sessional Paper:—

Final Report of the Select Committee on Highway Transportation of Goods (*No. 82*).

PROCLAMATION

(Great Seal of Ontario)

PAULINE M. MCGIBBON

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom, Canada and Her other Realms and Territories Queen, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith.

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME,

GREETING:

PROCLAMATION

ROY MCMURTRY } **W**HEREAS We have thought fit, by and with the advice
Attorney General } of Our Executive Council of Our Province of Ontario,
 to dissolve the present Legislative Assembly and to call forthwith a new
 Legislative Assembly;

NOW KNOW YE that WE DO HEREBY DISSOLVE the present Legislative Assembly of Our Province of Ontario, and DO HEREBY MAKE KNOWN Our Royal Will and Pleasure to call a new Legislative Assembly of Our said Province; and WE DO DECLARE that, by and with the advice of Our said Executive Council, WE have this day given orders for issuing Our Writs in due form for holding a general election of members to serve in the new Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, the said Writs to bear date the twenty-ninth day of April, A.D., 1977, and to be returnable forthwith after the execution thereof; and WE DO FURTHER DECLARE that, as appointed by Our Lieutenant Governor in Council, the day for the nomination of candidates for the said general election shall be the twenty-sixth day of May, A.D., 1977, and the day on which polling shall take place where a poll is granted shall be the ninth day of June, A.D., 1977.

OF ALL WHICH PREMISES all Our loving subjects and all others whom it doth or may in anywise concern are hereby required to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF We have caused these Our Letters to be made patent and the Great Seal of Our Province of Ontario to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS:

THE HONOURABLE PAULINE M. MCGIBBON, An Officer of the Order of Canada, Bachelor of Arts, Doctor of Laws, Doctor of University, Bachelor of Applied Arts (Theatre), Honorary Fellow Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons (Canada), LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF OUR PROVINCE OF ONTARIO,

at Our City of Toronto in Our said Province this twenty-ninth day of April in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy-seven and in the twenty-sixth year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND

JOHN R. SMITH,
Minister of Government Services.