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REFORMBC

Hon. tthelakes	James Bay
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INDEPENDENT

Hon. ManslyYT	Hillside	Hon. Shibe_R6	Oak Bay
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PARTY STANDINGS

Total seats – 10

BC Labour – 5 | Azoy Party of BC – 2 | ReformBC 1 | Ind. 2

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SATURDAY, MAY 31, 2025

The House met at 12:43 p.m.

[The Speaker in the chair.]

Orders of the Day

Hon. Dakota_303: I move that Bill 3 be committed to a Committee of the Whole House for consideration forthwith.

[12:45 p.m.]

Motion approved.

The House in Committee.

The committee met at 12:47 p.m.

[rafaelmanman in the chair.]

Committee of the Whole

BILL 3 — PUBLIC SERVICE ACT

The Chair: Members, I call this Committee of the Whole to order. We are considering Bill 3, Public Service Act.

Clauses 1 to 4 inclusive approved.
[12:50 p.m.]

Clauses 5 to 9 inclusive approved.

Hon. hxamz_a: How many clauses are there?

The Chair: This bill has 13.

Clauses 10 to 13 inclusive approved.

Title approved.

Hon. Dakota_303: I move that the committee rise and report the bill complete without amendment.

[12:55 p.m.]

Motion approved.

The committee rose at 12:55 p.m.

The House resumed at 12:55 p.m.

[The Speaker in the chair.]

Reporting of Bills

BILL 3 — PUBLIC SERVICE ACT

rafaelmanman: The committee on Bill 3 reports the bill complete without amendment.

The Speaker: When shall the bill be read a third time?

Hon. Dakota_303: Now.

Third Reading of Bills

BILL 3 — PUBLIC SERVICE ACT

The Speaker: Members, the question is whether Bill 3 shall be read a third time.

Motion approved.

The Speaker: Bill 3, Public Service Act, has been read a third time and passed.

Hon. Dakota_303: I move that Bill 4 be committed to a Committee of the Whole House for consideration forthwith.

[1:00 p.m.]

Motion approved.

The House in Committee.

The committee met at 1:01 p.m.

[rafaelmanman in the chair.]

Committee of the Whole

BILL 4 — CRIMINAL REHABILITATION AND ALTERNATE SENTENCING ACT

The Chair: Members, we will be considering Bill 4, Criminal Rehabilitation and Alternate Sentencing Act.

On clause 1.

Hon. Dakota_303: I move the amendment to clause 1, standing in my name on the orders of the day.

[CLAUSE 1, by deleting the text shown as struck out and adding the underlined text as shown:

Definitions

1 In this Act:

“~~alternate~~alternative sentencing” includes community service and the requirement of obtaining

- (a) employment,
- (b) a certification, or
- (c) a similar achievement;

“**criminal rehabilitation**” includes the requirement of obtaining

- (a) employment,
- (b) a certification, or
- (c) a similar achievement.]

The Chair: Members, we have an amendment on the floor. The amendment has been ruled in order. I encourage members to take a moment to review the amendment before the question is put. We will continue shortly.

Members, the question is the amendment to clause 2 proposed by the Member for Victoria West.

Hon. Dakota_303: Clause 1?

The Chair: Apologies, clause 1.

Amendment approved.

Clause 1 as amended approved.

[1:05 p.m.]

Clause 2 approved.

On clause 3.

Hon. Dakota_303: I move the amendment to clause 3, standing in my name on the orders of the day.

[CLAUSE 3, by deleting the text shown as struck out and adding the underlined text as shown:

Alternate sentencing

3 A judge may utilize ~~alternate~~alternative sentencing in lieu of incarceration or similar sentencing when they determine it appropriate to do so.]

The Chair: Members, the amendment to clause 3 has been ruled in order by the Chair. I again will give members a short period to review the amendment.

Now, members, the question is the amendment to clause 3.

Amendment approved.

Clause 3 as amended approved.

Clause 4 approved.

On the title.

Hon. Dakota_303: I move the amendment to the title, standing in my name on the orders of the day.

[IN THE TITLE, by deleting the text shown as struck out and adding the underlined text as shown:

Criminal Rehabilitation and ~~Alternate~~Alternative Sentencing Act]

The Chair: Members, the amendment has been ruled in order by the Chair. The question is the amendment to the title of Bill 4.

Amendment approved.

[1:10 p.m.]

Title as amended approved.

Hon. Dakota_303: I move that the committee rise and report Bill 4 complete with amendment.

Motion approved.

The committee rose at 1:11 p.m.

The House resumed at 1:11 p.m.

[The Speaker in the chair.]

Reporting of Bills

BILL 4 — CRIMINAL REHABILITATION AND ALTERNATIVE SENTENCING ACT

rafaelmanman: The committee on Bill 4 reports the bill complete with amendment.

The Speaker: Splendid. When shall the bill be read a third time?

Hon. Dakota_303: Now.

Third Reading of Bills

BILL 4 — CRIMINAL REHABILITATION AND ALTERNATIVE SENTENCING ACT

The Speaker: Members, the question is third reading of Bill 4.

Motion approved.

The Speaker: Bill 4, Criminal Rehabilitation and Alternative Sentencing Act, has been read a third time and passed.

Hon. Dakota_303: I move that Bill 5 be committed to a Committee of the Whole House for consideration forthwith.

Motion approved.

The House in committee.

The committee met at 1:15 p.m.

[rafaelmanman in the chair.]

Committee of the Whole

BILL 5 — LEGAL PROFESSION STATUTES AMENDMENT ACT, 2025

The Chair: We will be considering Bill 5, Legal Profession Statutes Amendment Act, 2025.

Clauses 1 to 5 inclusive approved.

Hon. Shibe_R6: Slow down.

The Chair: My apologies, member. Would you like me to return to a certain clause in particular?

Hon. Shibe_R6: Nothing in particular. I'd just appreciate time to read.

The Chair: Of course, member. I will proceed slower.

Clauses 6 to 9 inclusive approved.
[1:20 p.m.]

Clauses 10 to 20 inclusive approved.
[1:25 p.m.]

Hon. hxamz_a: How many clauses are there in this bill?

The Chair: 29 clauses, member.

An Hon. Member: Does bro even know what we're voting on?

Hon. hxamz_a: No.

Clauses 21 to 29 inclusive approved.

Title approved.

Hon. Dakota_303: I move that the committee rise and report Bill 5 complete without amendment.

Motion approved.

The committee rose at 1:30 p.m.

The House resumed at 1:30 p.m.

[The Speaker in the chair.]

Reporting of Bills

BILL 5 — LEGAL PROFESSION STATUTES AMENDMENT ACT, 2025

rafaelmanman: The committee on Bill 5 reports the bill complete with amendment.

The Speaker: Splendid. When shall the bill be read a third time?

Hon. Dakota_303: Now.

Third Reading of Bills

BILL 5 — LEGAL PROFESSION STATUTES AMENDMENT ACT, 2025

The Speaker: Members, the question is third reading of Bill 5.

Motion approved.

The Speaker: Bill 5, Legal Profession Statutes Amendment Act, 2025, has been read a third time and has passed.

Hon. Dakota_303: I move that Bill 6 be committed to a Committee of the Whole House for consideration forthwith.

Motion approved.

Sergeant-at-Arms: Permission to approach.
[1:35 p.m.]

The Speaker: Permission granted.
Members, this House stands suspended until further notice.

The sitting was suspended from 1:36 p.m. to 1:46 p.m.

Hon. Shibe_R6 moved adjournment of the House.

Motion approved.

The Speaker: Have a great weekend. This House stands adjourned until further notice.

The House adjourned at 1:48 p.m.

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