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Hon. Herménégilde Chiasson  
Lieutenant-Governor

Speaker: Hon. Roy Boudreau

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10 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

Due to the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, Mr. Fraser, the Deputy Speaker, took the chair as Acting Speaker.

Ms. Lavoie, Member for Nepisiguit, laid upon the table of the House a petition on behalf of the Chaleur Camp Owners Association in opposition to the increase in fees on Crown land leases. (Petition 50)

The following Bill was introduced and read a first time.

By Hon. Mr. Ouellette,

Bill 62, *An Act to Amend the Agricultural Development Act.*

The following Private Bills were introduced and read a first time:

By Mr. McGinley,

Bill 63, *An Act to Amend An Act Respecting the Law Society of New Brunswick.*

By Mr. Collins,

Bill 64, *An Act to Incorporate Les Religieux de Sainte-Croix d'Acadie.*

Bill 65, *An Act to Amend the Pension Plan for Employees of the City of Moncton Act.*

Ordered referred to the Standing Committee on Private Bills.

Mr. Jack Carr gave Notice of Motion 59 that on Thursday, May 21, 2009, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Ms. Blaney:

WHEREAS ambulance service is a vital and integral aspect of our provincially delivered and operated healthcare system; and

WHEREAS the government chose to consolidate ambulance services into one public sector company; and

WHEREAS Ambulance New Brunswick was designed to better deliver ambulance service to the people of New Brunswick and serves now as a critical component of our healthcare system; and

WHEREAS it has become apparent that there are issues surrounding deployment, proper global positioning systems, up to date road condition information, resources including the number of vehicles and paramedics in the system; and

WHEREAS our publicly delivered healthcare system should not discriminate against a person's ability to pay for services during

an emergency situation or for medically necessary transportation from one place to another; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that this Legislative Assembly unanimously urge the government to reconsider the \$130 ambulance user fee so that all New Brunswickers may continue to utilize this essential emergency service free of charge; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that outstanding issues related to deployment, global positioning systems, up to date road condition information and all available resources be resolved immediately so that New Brunswick's paramedics can do their jobs.

Ms. Dubé gave Notice of Motion 60 that on Thursday, May 21, 2009, she would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Olscamp:

WHEREAS mental illness costs the Canadian economy \$14 billion a year;

WHEREAS mental illness, like physical illness, can take various forms, including affective disorders, eating disorders, suicide, schizophrenia, schizoaffective disorders, obsessive-compulsive disorders, anxiety disorders, personality disorders, alcoholism and addiction, and post-traumatic stress disorder;

WHEREAS 20% of residents will experience mental illness at some point in their lives and the remaining 80% will be affected by the illness of a close relative, a friend, or a colleague;

WHEREAS depression is expected to be one of the leading causes of disability worldwide by 2020 and suicide is one of the 10 leading causes of death in Canada;

WHEREAS discrimination and stigmatization cause people experiencing mental illness and addiction as much distress as the actual disorder;

WHEREAS early detection and intervention in the area of mental health and addiction should also be considered from a general public health perspective, since, like physical health, prevention is crucial to ensuring an individual's general wellness;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge the government to pool all resources in order to ensure better coordination between health professionals, social workers, patients, and families, including striking a committee of deputy ministers who will meet monthly;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge the government to provide more resources, health workers, and social workers to work with people with mental illness and their families;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge the Minister of Health, the Minister of Social Development, the Minister of Education, and the Minister of Post-Secondary Education, Training and Labour to work on awareness campaigns aimed at various target markets: teenagers, employers, Aboriginals, and the general public.

Hon. Mr. Murphy, Government House Leader, announced that it was the intention of government that the House resolve itself into a Committee of Supply to consider the estimates of the Department of Transportation.

Hon. Mr. Murphy gave notice that on Tuesday, May 19, 2009, Bills 28, 29, 34, 42, 51, 55, 56, 57, 58 and 59 would be called for second reading.

It was agreed by unanimous consent to continue sitting through the noon recess and to adjourn no later than 3.30 o'clock p.m.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee of Supply with Ms. Lavoie in the chair as Acting Chair.

And after some time, Ms. Robichaud took the chair.

And after some further time, Ms. Lavoie resumed the chair.

And after some time spent in Committee of Supply, Ms. Robichaud resumed the chair.

And after some time, Mr. Fraser, the Deputy Speaker resumed the chair, and Ms. Robichaud, the Chair, after requesting that Mr. Deputy Speaker revert to Presentations of Committee Reports, reported that the Committee had had under consideration the matters referred to them, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

Pursuant to Standing Rule 78.1, Mr. Deputy Speaker then put the question on the motion deemed to be before the House, that the report be concurred in, and it was resolved in the affirmative.

And then 3.30 o'clock p.m. the House adjourned.