

# **SECOND REPORT**

## **OF THE**

# STANDING COMMITTEE ON PROCEDURE

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To The Honourable
The Legislative Assembly of
The Province of New Brunswick

Mr. Speaker:

Your Standing Committee on Procedure begs leave to submit this their Second Report of the Session.

Your Committee met on Tuesday, May 9, 2006, and considered the application by the Paramedic Association of New Brunswick for the introduction of a Private Bill entitled An Act Respecting the Paramedic Association of New Brunswick.

It was reported to the Committee that the Clerk of the House was unable to certify that the applicant had met the requirements of Standing Rule 111, with respect to the publication of notices. It was further reported that the applicant has requested that the applicable requirements of the Standing Rules be waived to permit the introduction of the Bill during the current session. Accordingly, pursuant to Standing Rule 114(2), the application was placed before the Standing Committee on Procedure for consideration.

The application by the Paramedic Association was originally filed on May 14, 2004, for introduction during the First Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature. Publication of the notices of legislation for the original application was completed in compliance with the Standing Rules. Notice was published for three consecutive weeks during the month of March, 2004, in L'Acadie Nouvelle, the Daily Gleaner, the Times Transcript, and the Telegraph Journal. The notice of legislation was also published once in the Royal Gazette in the month of May, 2004. However, the Bill was not introduced as further consultation was required with the Department of Health and Wellness and other interested stakeholders.

A second application by the Paramedic Association was filed on March 31, 2005, for introduction during the Second Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature. The applicant relied on the notices of legislation published in 2004, which provided for the possible introduction of the Bill during the Second Session and were accordingly deemed acceptable. However, the Bill was not introduced as further consultation was again required with the Department of Health and Wellness and other interested stakeholders.

A third application by the Paramedic Association was filed on April 27, 2006, for introduction during the Third Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature. The applicant once again wishes to rely on the notices of legislation published in 2004. However, since the notices of legislation were published over 25 months ago, the Clerk is unable to certify that the requirements of the Standing Rules have been satisfied.

Pursuant to Standing Rule 114(2), the Standing Committee on Procedure may waive any requirements of the Standing Rules, or may issue such other Order as it deems appropriate.

Accordingly, in order that the Bill entitled An Act Respecting the Paramedic Association of New Brunswick may be introduced during the current session of the Legislature, your Committee waives the requirements of Standing Rule 111 to permit the introduction of the Bill.

And your Committee asks leave to make a further report.

Hon. Bev Harrison Chairman