

The following bill from the Senate was read the first time and ordered for a second reading at the next sitting of the House:

Bill S-55, An Act to provide relief in certain cases against loss or hardship suffered as a result of interruptions of normal postal services.—*Mr. Cardin.*

Pursuant to Standing Order 39(4), the following two Questions were made Orders of the House for Returns, namely:

No. 2,045—*Mr. Chatterton*

1. In the case of each of the following ferry services: (a) Newfoundland Ferry Service between North Sydney, N.S., and Port aux Basques and other Island points (b) The P.E.I. Car Ferry Service between Cape Tormentine, N.B., and Borden, P.E.I. (c) Nova Scotia-New England Ferry Service between Yarmouth, N.S., and Bar Harbor, Maine, (i) what were the annual operating deficits paid by the Canadian taxpayer for each of the last three fiscal years (ii) what was the capital contribution by the Canadian Government towards the cost of the vessels and all ancillary services, e.g., wharves, dredging, etc.; and what was the approximate percentage of such contribution of the total capital cost; what arrangement exists for capital depreciation or reimbursement to the Canadian Government of such contribution; what was the basis of establishing such contribution (iii) what is the current ferry charge for passengers and vehicles between the principal ports of call?

2. In the case of the proposed North Sydney-Argentia Ferry Service (i) what is the total capital contribution by the federal government towards cost of vessels and all ancillary works, e.g., wharves, dredging, etc. (ii) what percentage is this contribution of the total capital cost and what was the basis for establishing this contribution (iii) what is the anticipated fare for passengers and vehicles?

3. Has the Canadian Government contributed to the capital cost and operating deficits of any ferry system on the Pacific Coast and, if so, to what systems and how much?

No. 2,222—*Mr. Reid*

Regarding the (a) Department of Labour periodicals *Teamwork in Industry, Rehabilitation in Canada, Technical and Vocational Education in Canada* (b) Department of Fisheries periodicals *Canadian Fish Culturist, Trade News* (c) National Research Council periodical *NRC News* (d) Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development periodical *North* (e) Secretary of State periodical *Citizen* (f) Emergency Measures Organization periodical *EMO National Digest* (g) Department of National Health and Welfare periodicals *Canada's Health and Welfare, Occupational Health Review, Canadian Nutrition Notes, Canada's Mental Health* (h) Department of Trade and Commerce periodicals *Foreign Trade, Canada Courier*:

1. What is the annual cost to the department or agency concerned for each of these periodicals?

2. How many subscriptions are there to each of the above periodicals?

3. What is the Act of Parliament which authorizes or provides for the publication of each of these periodicals?