

*Adjournment Debate*

It is reported in the media that Mr. Grossman, the Ontario provincial Minister of Health, said that the Hawkesbury and District General Hospital will be closely monitored to ensure that health care does not suffer under a private management firm. Also, the hiring of AMI is seen as an experiment, and the hospital will be told to break its contract with the firm if it attempts to cut services as a money-saving measure. The hospital will not be permitted to charge for any insured services or to extra-bill patients, and it will be dealt with in exactly the same way as every other hospital in Ontario. All measures taken by AMI must be approved by the hospital board.

Hospital officials and the Ontario Ministry of Health officials are reported to feel that the contract will not result in a deterioration of patient care. In fact, it is hoped and believed that the quality of care will improve under increased management efficiency.

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** Order, please. The motion to adjourn the House is now deemed to have been adopted. Accordingly, this House stands adjourned until tomorrow at 2 p.m.

At 6.24 p.m. the House adjourned, without question put, pursuant to Standing Order.

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