



RESPONSE TO PETITION

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PETITION No.: **421-01549**

BY: **MR. DECOURCEY (FREDERICTON)**

DATE: **JUNE 19, 2017**

PRINT NAME OF SIGNATORY: **THE HONOURABLE JODY WILSON-RAYBOULD**

Response by the Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada

SIGNATURE

Minister or Parliamentary Secretary

SUBJECT

Impaired driving

ORIGINAL TEXT

REPLY

The Government recognizes the impact of impaired driving, takes this criminal activity very seriously and is committed to addressing the significant impact impaired driving has on the safety of our roads and highways. The Government, therefore, introduced Bill C-46, An Act to amend the Criminal Code (offences related to conveyances) and to make consequential amendments to other Acts, which proposes to improve traffic safety by facilitating the detection and prosecution of drivers who are impaired by alcohol or a drug, increasing mandatory minimum fines for drivers with high blood alcohol concentrations, increasing maximum penalties for some offences, and eliminating some defences that encourage risky behaviour and cause delays in trials.

Bill C-46 was adopted at Second Reading and is currently before the Standing Committee on Justice and Human Rights.