

Dear Justice Minister,

I respectfully submit my serious concerns regarding Bill C41, a Bill affecting the lives of every Canadian.

Recently the troubling 'suicide pact' of First Nation youths, became news, at the time Bill C41 was tabled.

These youth and others need to have an ideal, to recognise that every life has value in our society, and deserves protection, but Bill C 41 can no longer guaranty this.

Equal protection of every vulnerable person, especially the disabled, depressed, infirm, is essential to show that every Life has a value in our society.

Legalizing medically aided suicide does not affirm Life as valuable.

Palliative Care, must be accessible to every Canadian as an important goal to be met, before Bill C41 is legalized, and therefore gives all people a choice of how they wish to be cared for before death.

Healthcare..... especially for vulnerable people may cause fear and lack of trust in their medical treatment, since Bill C 41 was tabled.

e.g. subtle pressure to the patient by a caregiver, to greatly increase amounts of morphine with the explicit intention of causing assisted aid in dying.

I question how people be protected from this unnatural death and how can Bill C 41 be written to ensure this does not happen?

I request that a conscience protection clause be included to protect people and Religious Institutions from discrimination, if they refuse to act in any way to intentionally cause death.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments.

Yours sincerely,

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