

I am writing to you because I am concerned about potential issues arising from the current version of Bill C-6. Specifically, I am concerned about what could be called the unintended effects of this bill if it is not clarified. One of these could be silencing or hindering open discussions about sexuality and gender identity because they might be considered to be a kind of conversion therapy. I am also concerned that parents continue to function as the primary educators of their children. As such the bill should clearly indicate that discussions about appropriate behaviour and personal beliefs are to be expected and that they may establish standards of behavior for their children too. The bill should also make it clear that If an LGBTQ person requests counselling related to their sexuality or gender identity the person who provides this service should not be criminalized.