

Dear members of the Justice Committee

I wish to voice my opposition to the proposing, possible passing and particularly the composition of Bill C-6 on Conversion Therapy. It is a threat to the freedom of Canadians today and in the future who may wish to get help to choose their sexual behaviour and identity. Governments do not have the right to restrict or deny one's personal choices in the matter of how one lives their life. People today are not denied the freedom to choose who we marry or how we raise our kids, nor to use harmful drugs, smoke tobacco or cannabis, gamble or drink to excess. Nor are we denied by the government the freedom to get help in any of these matters, should we so choose.

For the last thirty years I have noted the great increase in sexual confusion in our society and its resultant effects of brokenness, depression and suicide. We are not dealing with the root causes. Bill C-6 will exacerbate this sad trend. The Bill is the fruit of continuing pressure from the gay lobby and reflects an ideology that has no basis in science. There is no science that supports the idea that one is born gay. There is no 'gay gene'. There are social causes for most of the sexual confusion so prevalent today. And, I am personally aware of many same sex attracted people who have now been able to choose otherwise.

Please do not let one group of Canadians deny other Canadians their freedom to choose how they wish to live their life.

(At a minimum the definition needs to be reworked.)

Sincerely,

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