

Submission to the Standing Committee on Justice and Human Rights respecting Bill C-6 An Act to Amend the Criminal Code (Conversion Therapy

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As a father of three grown children with dual US/Canadian citizenship (*two of whom currently reside in Vancouver, BC*), I felt compelled to share the following from a licensed professional therapist's perspective, as I not only have a great deal of professional clinical experience deal with emotionally disturbed teens and sexual abuse Survivors (I am a Certified Clinical Trauma Professional), but also, as a Certified Sex Offender Treatment Provider, I have worked with men who've been convicted of the full range of sexual offenses (*which pertains to this bill, as I hope to be able to demonstrate that such proposed legislation will enable sophisticated predators to more easily prey upon emotionally vulnerable gender-confused young people*). Should you find the following Brief compelling, I would be pleased to be called upon as a witness, to answer any questions you might have pertaining to the concerns I am sharing with you about the proposed Amendment.

Though most legislators who consider passing what has come to be known as "Anti-Conversion Therapy" laws, do so with the best of intentions, little would they suspect they are actually being manipulated into to passing legislation that will end up harming the very people they are trying to help. Alternative lifestyle Activists, their apologists, and select special interests apologists (*those who are either stakeholders and/or have vested interests in the expansion of activities and the resulting consequences [e.g., big pharma, makers of latex, big porn, abortion providers, sexual predators]*), are aggressively lobbying for such legislation, asserting that strong laws are necessary to protect vulnerable and naive clients within alternative lifestyles (including the Trans Movement) from therapist who are bigots and religious zealots" who would seek to



exploit them by “converting” such clients away from the alternative lifestyle or endeavor to influence a client toward de-transitioning, instead of continuing the process of sex change, from sterilization toward eventual amputation of healthy body parts sex organs.

However, little would most lawmakers suspect they are actually being manipulated by those who wish to ensure that vulnerable individuals, who have fallen prey to manipulation and exploitation by sophisticated manipulator and predators within an alternative lifestyle, in order to pass legislation that significantly increase the likelihood of such vulnerable individuals will in fact be exploited... by adept manipulators and sexual predators embedded within alternative lifestyles, who benefit from such vulnerable individuals being unable to find a professional therapist who is (1) sufficiently objective and perceptive to notice the key red flag indicators of abuse and exploitation, (2) sufficiently educated in the ways cult-like systems work toward grooming, recruiting, and retaining naïve participants, and (3) adept in dealing with the underlying dynamics within manipulative relationships, or the underlying reasons why so many abuse survivors are initially drawn into alternative lifestyles, where they can find themselves easy targets for manipulators and sophisticated predators.

By being persuaded to pass such “Anti-Conversion Therapy” laws, well-meaning legislators can unknowingly contribute to vulnerable individuals finding it increasingly unlikely they will find the kind of professional necessary to assist them in objectively assessing their situation and relationships. As a result, it increases the likelihood of them remaining stuck in emotionally unhealthy, psychologically damaging, and/or sexually exploitive relationships or situations. Additionally, since the idea of gender identity has recently absorbed the manufactured ideas foundational to the Trans Movement, any clinician unwilling to “affirm” the clinically delusional belief that a minor can



“We keep you here to help protect you from any unscrupulous bigoted therapists who would try to manipulate you... who would dare to suggest to you that should have the choice to stay with me or leave our lifestyle... all in an effort to Convert you away me, and away from the special things we share together. No, my young naïve sweetness, we shall ensure you are safe, protected from ever sitting down with such a manipulative therapist, who would try to plant such thought in your mind.”



“By remaining just as you are, and never giving another thought to what it could be like beyond these protective walls, you’ll be free to be you. And, we’ll continue to share our very special bond. After all, “Love is Love,” “Love Knows No Age,” and “Love Knows No Limits,” right? And, none of those bigoted therapists will dare suggest there is anything wrong with what we share, for our the legislation will penalize anyone you refuses to affirm your autonomy over your sexual health choices. ”

be “born in the wrong body” will also be found be found in violation of Anti-Conversion Therapy law.

The Justification for Such Legislation is intentionally Misleading.

The justification presented by Activists and their apologists within alternative lifestyles, for enacting Anti-Conversion Therapy laws, is that vulnerable individuals within the alternative lifestyle “Communities,” who elect to seek out personal therapy, need protection against the “bigoted quackery” of nefarious religiously-inclined therapists who covertly lie-in-wait for the opportunity to “convert” vulnerable clients out of homosexuality and away from alternative lifestyles.

To demonstrate how prevalent and destructive such agenda-driven therapy is, these Activists will parade a multiplicity of anecdotal personal stories of people who were supposedly victimized by such “quacks,” being subjected to what amounts to mental, emotional and physical coercion, brainwashing... and in some cases even medieval-like torture... in order to get these clients to agree to leaving their alternative lifestyle and/or partner(s). The survivors of this so-called “bigoted quackery” recount how these rogue therapists used both covert and overt methods of pressure and brainwashing upon them to cause these vulnerable individuals to capitulate, and adopt the values and goals set forward by the treating “quack.” Each personal story (*a fair number of which appear to be based solely upon personal recollection, without the ability to externally and forensically verify them*) culminates in a similar way... the clients, who were supposedly manipulated away from their supposedly safe, accepting, and protective community and relationship, and talked out of their true identities, were left forever emotionally scarred by such manipulative therapists.



The recounting of such stories from Trans Activists, and the recollections from select former clients (each of who supposedly have recovered sufficiently to return to their former alternative lifestyle), seem to reflect the kind of “treatment” depicted in film *One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest*. However, despite anecdotal personal stories about rogue “right wing conservative” therapists gaining access to unsuspecting clients who were in alternative lifestyles... using extreme aversive methods of medical interventions and psychological manipulation and brainwashing to set them “straight”... little in the way of verifiable forensic evidence is offered to support that such practices have been used by any responsible clinician in the field of professional mental health treatment.

The Intended Consequence of such Legislation is to Regulate and Restrict the Kind of Help a Client can Access.

Therapists who are properly trained in counseling principles understand that therapy is neither intended to persuade or dissuade a client toward anything (except in matters of personal safety). Instead, the goal of therapy is to: (1) assist clients with gaining clarity with respect to their own core values, (2) help clients examine the nature of their personal boundaries, toward ensuring their relationships are empowering, healthy, beneficial, (3) assist clients with the process of maturity with respect to values clarification, emotional differentiation, and character development (which is key to inner peace and contentment), (4) facilitate clients in their journey toward emotional wholeness (which is key in developing healthy personal boundaries), (5) facilitating the clients healing for losses they have experienced, yet never processed, and (6) helping work through the process of any unaddressed trauma. It is through the process of meaningful self-exploration, that a client can find him gaining important insights into what has caused him to make certain lifestyle choices, “settle for less,” allow others to hold them back or limit their options, and possible become involved in certain unhealthy relationships, which



“Now, now, sweetheart... I know you are upset at hearing that you can’t see that therapist. I know you say he was really helping you. But, that is because you were under his spell., and you really don’t know what is best for you and your future. You began to believe him when he told you that you were born with the capacity to choose what is in your best interest, that your intuition will give you a sense of what it true. That is nothing more than his psychobabble, intended to confuse you, to make you begin to question what I and the others in our loving Community have always told you... that you are home now, that we are your true family, and no one will love you the way we will. The very fact that he would try to influence you with those ideas, simply shows you that we had to stop him with the new “Anti-Conversion Therapy” bill, before he could cause any more damage. It was for your own good that we got that legislation passed. Now, I know he implanted the idea that you know what is best for you. But, you must try to forget all about that, and what you discussed with that bigoted quack, because he simply wanted to ruin the special thing we have together. That new legislation will help make sure you never see him again, for he was going to steal you from us... from the ones who always want you to remain safe in the Community. In fact, he likely won’t be deceiving any clients ever again, for he is simply too dangerous & bigoted. And, he must be taught a lesson.”

subsequently can result in them making substantial personal changes, and midcourse corrections. Such changes come from insight, inner clarity with respect to their core values, and from taking pro-active steps, which often results in establishing personal boundaries, ending unhealthy relationships, and setting off in a new direction. That is an indication of inner growth. And, those pose a threat to others who have benefitted from the client's previous acquiescence in the relationship or activity.

However, not everyone around the person may approve of the changes, especially if they were benefitting from the person giving in to selfish people, and "not making waves."



This is not an uncommon experience within unhealthy or toxic marriages or extended families as a client becomes emotionally healthy. The selfish family members, manipulative associates, or emotionally toxic or personality

disordered partners rarely take kindly to the client growing emotionally, becoming emotionally differentiated, and acting on their preferences, nor are they pleased that the therapist helped "rock the boat," "stir the pot," and "ruin a good thing," by helping the client gain clarity about their own core values and preferences, and make changes they feel are necessary to help them become true to themselves and act in their own best interest.

The same holds true within alternative lifestyle relationships. Yet, the unique tactic available to the "jilted partner" within an alternative lifestyle is they are able to sabotage the client's move toward self-actualization by filing a complaint against the therapist, asserting that it was "Conversion Therapy" that caused the client to leave the relationship or "the lifestyle." Thus, it becomes the perfect strategy to ensure that such a client only makes superficial changes, and the perfect weapon to ensure that a therapist will pay a heavy price if he/she helps facilitate a client's self-actualization, differentiation, and establishment of boundaries, resulting in a desire to leave the relationship or lifestyle, much like the dynamics so masterfully portrayed in the animated film, *Tangled*.



"Now, there is no use trying to leave me, since you don't know what is best for you. Our legislation took care of that bigoted therapist, so you can forget about ever seeing that kind of manipulator ever again. You are right where you belong. You were born for this, and this is who you are,... so stop trying to run from it. This is for your own good, so stop fighting it. You know you want this. And, I worked hard to lobby for that bill... so you could be protected from such therapists. I intend to ensure you remain with me, so I can protect you from making decisions you'll regret."

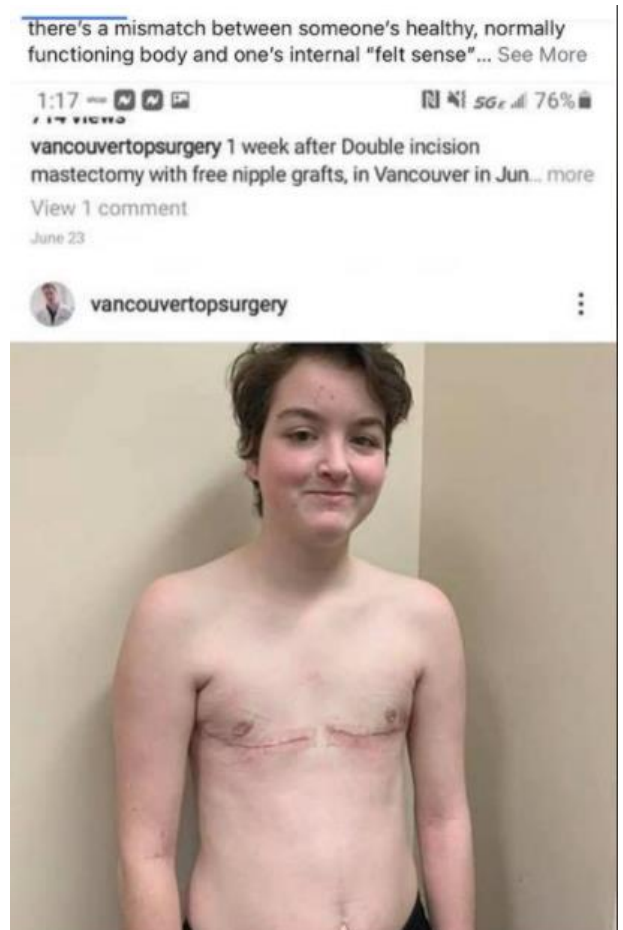
The Real Motivation to Push for such Laws is Carefully Concealed

So, what is it that such Activists are actually trying to accomplish, by lobbying so hard for such legislation? Why is it that they and their apologists are so driven by their supposed care and concern for such “vulnerable” members within alternative lifestyles who would seek out individual therapy, that they are willing to go to the lengths of lobbying for the passage of laws to punish therapists who would help clients with their own goals? Is it truly their desire to protect clients, or do they covertly intend to teach such therapists a lesson for daring to facilitate a client’s

personal growth, which may result in their a change of direction, boundaries, and relationships? Why is it they would find it objectionable for such a person to meet with someone of their own choosing, to assess the pros and cons of certain life style choices and decisions? And, why would they find it objectionable for a responsible therapist to ensure that a vulnerable gender-confused young person is properly evaluated for mental health issues, is thoroughly assessed for signs of sexual grooming, abuse, and/or exploitation, and is genuinely fully informed about the process, the implications, and the risks of sex change treatment, in order to ensure they young person can fully consent, in order to make choices that are in their own best interest, both in the short and long term?



Truth be told, this effort toward seeing punitive laws enacted is born out of the personal agendas of the Activists, their apologists, and select special interests who stand to gain by ensuring anyone that everyone within an alternative lifestyle and/or relationship remains “as is,” regardless of whether such a lifestyle or relationships are what they want for themselves, are still a good fit for them in terms of their own core values and personal development, or are in keeping with what they want for themselves and their future. Though such Activists will assert they are looking out for the welfare of such vulnerable clients, they purposely avoid the reality that professional licensing boards and civil courts exist to address issues of therapist professional malpractice. That is because it is typically not the client who complains when he/she elects to no longer participate in alternative lifestyle activities, or ends a relationship within an alternative lifestyle, but those who stand to lose some benefit that was derived from the client remaining “as is.” That is why the prospect of someone within an alternative lifestyle finding a skilled professional non-agenda-driven therapist of their own choosing... with whom they can freely discuss personal and relationship issues, and re-examine their own choices, decisions, and values... is such a threat to them, if such therapy results in the client concluding that an alternative lifestyle and relationship is not in keeping with their core values, and they subsequently elect to leave the relationship and the lifestyle. Additionally, as it is not uncommon to have many such clients reveal during therapy that they entered the lifestyle when they were relatively young, vulnerable, and impressionable at the time, and subsequently influenced by someone older and “more experienced” to become physically involved with a same-sex partner, such disclosure can often reveal they were possibly groomed, unduly influenced. Thus, predators would have a vested interest in ensuring the individual not find a competent objective therapist who is able to discern situations of exploitation.



Such Legislation is Ultimately to Ensure that Therapists either “Play Ball or Get off the Field.”

Though Activists who lobby for such legislation portray themselves as being solely motivated by their care and concern for those within alternative lifestyles, their actions toward those who have permanently left the lifestyle of their own volition belie the fact that they are really not about empowering vulnerable people, but about using them as a means to their end, and silencing anyone who might serve as a hinderance. And, when such individuals no longer serve their purpose, or begin to give an alternative narrative, the Activists quickly morphs into a very dismissive, demeaning, and mean-spirited antagonist toward the once-beloved community member, intent upon marginalizing and silencing them. And, what became the common experience of those who left the gay lifestyle, is now being experienced by those who are de-transitioning out of the Trans Movement. Ironically, this same kind of negative responses and personal attacks by alternative lifestyle Activists, are now being leveled against homosexuals who are sounding the alarm about the dangers posed by Trans Movement for young vulnerable gender-confused young people (*many of whom have untreated mental health issues, are survivors of sexual abuse, or are on the autism spectrum*) and the psychological, emotional, and physical harm being done to them by those who would suggest that kids can be born in the wrong body, thus supposedly able to be made whole by undergoing sex change treatments, involving medical sterilized and eventually amputating various healthy body parts. Therefore, what becomes clear is that those Activists are simply furthering an Agenda, instead of truly being concerned about client welfare.



And, what would that Agenda be which is at the heart of the push for such “Anti-Conversion Therapy” legislation? Fulfilling the goals of the various “special interests” and stakeholders who stand to greatly benefit from the expansion of the newest alternative lifestyle, the Trans Movement. These stakeholders are already reaping the benefits of their strategic plans and alliances, and are not about to have people stand in their way or unmask the truth behind their push of what amounts to the greatest man-made psychological ruse ever foisted upon vulnerable youth and their families. Who would make up the bulk of these special interests? Those who stand to achieve what is most important to them, all of which stems from manipulating vulnerable young people, by overriding their intuition, by playing upon the normal mental, emotional, physical, and cognitive developmental characteristics of the adolescent brain, and strategically employing effective principles, practices, methods, and techniques utilized by the most sophisticated of cults, such as the now-infamous sex-cult NXIVM.

The reality is that those pushing for such legislation are Trans Activists, who are not intending to protect vulnerable homosexuals from bigoted quacks, but are intending to ensure that therapists, who now serve in the crucial role as gate keepers between young people seeking transgender medical treatment, and those who stand to profit from delivering those services, and those who stand to derive deviant benefit from young people being sexually transitioned. As such, these Activists and their apologists must ensure that therapists support their efforts (by fast-tracking minors via referrals to gender medical treatments), and do not act to in any way that would either slow the flow of minors, or begin to raise questions and alarm over the nature of such treatments. If the therapist “plays balls,” then he/she can expect job security and the ability to bill for their time. However, if they raise concerns or objections, they will be silenced, either by means of loss of license, “anti-discrimination” policies, or civil and legal actions stemming from “Anti-Conversion Therapy” laws.



The Unintended Consequences of Such Laws.

- The scope of this legislation be expanded via policy.

Whenever this legislation is adopted, the next push is toward Lowering the Age of Consent, which is achieved under the justification of young people being able to make autonomous decisions when it comes to their own subjective determination of their own bodies, in matters related to transitioning, sexual expression, and sexual expression in relationships.

- The intent of this legislation be expanded via the courts?

Once so-called rogue, biased, and bigoted therapists are silenced, the only thing left standing in the way of the Trans Activists are parents. Hence, you can expect what is happening in countries, such as Canada, where the Trans Agenda has been embraced by those in the highest positions of power... parental rights are not just eroded, but Trumped. And, should a parent not go along with the scheme quietly, they will silence them, as they first silenced dissenting therapist.



Such laws are now being reversed by Governments and Courts.

As the fallout of the Trans Movement and early sexualization of kids comes to light, and the detrimental effects such laws and policies are having when it comes to undermining parental rights, an increasing number of countries are seeing through the Activists' Agenda, and the harm being caused by sophisticated manipulators recruiting vulnerable young people into alternative lifestyles. As such, we are seeing such laws being repealed, and policies being changed to ensure that the safety and welfare of vulnerable minors and the rights of parents are adequately protected... which is exactly why you are seeing such lobbying efforts to pass Anti-Conversion Therapy legislation, before the true surfaces about who is really behind this



push, and their ultimate goal they are looking to achieve from the enactment of such legislation.