

A call to action on behalf of our neighbours in need.....

RE: Bill C-304: Secure, Adequate, Accessible and Affordable Housing Act

NDP MP Libby Davies introduced this private members' Bill in the federal House of Commons. It has passed second reading and has been referred to committee. It is expected to return to the House for third reading during the current session.

The summary of the Bill states its purpose is to "...require the Minister responsible for the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation to consult with the provincial ministers of the Crown responsible for municipal affairs and housing and with representatives of municipalities and Aboriginal communities in order to establish a national housing strategy".

Full text of Bill C-304 available at http://www2.parl.gc.ca/content/hoc/Bills/402/Private/C-304/C-304_1/C-304_1.PDF

Please consider contacting your federal Member of Parliament and tell them that you think it is important that they and their party support the passage of Bill C-304.

Suggested message;

As a volunteer with the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, I know first-hand how important the availability of secure, adequate and affordable housing is to the neighbours in need we assist in our charitable endeavours. Canada is the only major country in the world without a national housing strategy. As one of your constituents, I urge you and your party to support Bill C-304, the Secure, Adequate, Accessible and Affordable Housing Act.

Your Name

Your Address

You can find contact information for your MP by inputting your postal code at:

<http://www.parl.gc.ca/common/index.asp?Language=E>

Also, copy Diane Finley, the Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development (responsible for CMHC) at: FinleD@parl.gc.ca

...and Libby Davies, the Bill's sponsor, at: DavieL@parl.gc.ca

Sincerely;

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