

Dear Sisters in the League,

We have been given a wonderful opportunity to let our voices be heard in regards to the re writing of the prostitution laws in Canada, as Peter McKay is asking for input from Canadians as to how to rewrite the laws that were struck down by the Supreme Court late last year.

We have a very short turn around here as letters need to be received by March 17<sup>th</sup>. Thank goodness for the speed and efficiency of internet!

Here's what we encourage you to do:

1. Check out the National Website regarding the public consultation on prostitution by googling Catholic Women's League of Canada, click on Media, click on News Releases, click on Feds ask for input on Prostitution Laws
2. Choose either the [Justice Department website](#) where you can make a comment or [Consultations.Prostitutions@justice.gc.ca](mailto:Consultations.Prostitutions@justice.gc.ca) where you can email comments.
3. A suggested comment could read ... "As a Canadian woman and as a member of the Catholic Women's League of Canada, I support the Nordic Model which recognizes that the root cause of the exploitation of women through prostitution is the demand of male customers, without which the global industry of trafficking and prostitution would collapse. This model would criminalize the pimps and johns but not the prostitutes themselves, who are the victims of exploitation and are in need of exit strategies to regain control of their lives."
4. Please remember you are responding on an individual basis, NOT on behalf of the League. Our National President, Betty Anne Brown Davidson is the ONLY person who speaks on behalf of the League.
5. Forward this email to all members in your address book and encourage them to do the same.

Together we can make a difference. Thank you.

Blessings,

Margie Royle

Diocesan Chair of Legislation