

Bill 133

I have a growing concern about the new proposed Presumed Consent Legislation the government of Nova Scotia is **pushing** through. I have just noticed it has already been, rapidly pushed to the **Law Amendment Committee**. From what I can gather, this means you no longer take into account any input from citizens. Bills need to be open so that people that have concerns know what is happening.

I have several questions I would like answered. I would also like an opportunity to attend a house setting to see how NS government operates.

1. WHY? What event has initiated this piece of legislation?

I am assuming you were not getting enough donors. For a few people I talked with on the topic they all seemed to think it was ok to donate their organs. This is fine. It is THEIR CHOICE, not a government evoking an **Assumed Gift** upon death. (It is NOT ok to take whatever body parts you want and sell them as a commodity).

Why force a bill to ASSUME the government of Nova Scotia OWNS our human corps for dissection and chopping up for spare parts? If the issue is, you think there should be more donors. You need to increase awareness for those who want to donate freely. It is their choice you are removing this from the people.

2. This bill assumes people will not know or be bothered to OPT OUT

Are you depending on Lack of knowledge, awareness and full implications of new Legislation
Many people do not know about this bill, do not have computers, maybe be mentally challenged or depressed the vulnerable of our society? How are you planning to deliver this to everyone and let him or her have **FULL access to OPT OUT**! Many do not believe in organ donation for personal reasons, or religious reasons. I have never seen a government be fair or open to all people. It just does not happen. In today's world, everyone seems to assume that we all have computers and are computer literate. For the older population, this is not the correct assumption. You will be taking advantage of a vulnerable section of the population.

3. Organs as a Commodity for Government/private Profit.

What will be done with spare body parts? If you plan on having all of Nova Scotians to HARVEST organs from what is to STOP you as a government from; storing, shipping, selling body parts? What about genetic harvesting. We know tissue and bone can be stored. I believe most people who donate organs or agree to this, believe it will ONLY be done if there is someone in dire need. They would NOT be in agreement for the government or an armslength organization harvesting what they want and assuming they can do so if you do not OPT OUT.

4. Transparency? Corruption – Public Accountability Just consider what a nightmarish future we might have here for a second, BODY PARTS as a COMMODITY, it is very possible and I firmly believe this is where this government is heading.

5. Government Ethics?

We all know that the government doesn't run for the people, it runs and is controlled by business that support their companies. This is the most frightening piece for me right here. Our natural resources are being destroyed for private business profit. What is the difference between this and organ harvesting?

6. Estimate Population of Nova Scotia 2019 – 940,600

With this number how many do you think you will access and be assuming consent for organ donation?
Why do you need so many?

Since it appears all parties, (Liberal, NDP, Conservative) are in favour of this new legislation, as a citizen of Nova Scotia I will have to be deemed a donor by the sitting government, I feel I deserve answers for the above questions. I also want to make it very clear NOT all people in NS are in agreement with Government interference in human remains. **I am OPTING OUT**. I do not feel any government has the right to my remains. I will be making sure everyone I meet is very clear about this new legislation.

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