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**T**here are 4,500 Canadians awaiting a life-saving organ transplant and we had to do more to help improve the organ and donation system in Canada.

I was thrilled that my Bill C-210 was recently passed into law and that lives will be saved as a result.

This was something to celebrate as only 1.9% of Private Members' Bills ever pass into law. In fact, a Private Member's Bill has not passed in Parliament since 2019.

My Bill will allow Canadians to register as organ and tissue donors through their annual tax return. As a result, we will register millions more donors and increase the likelihood that those awaiting a transplant get that second chance at life.

This work builds on my previous efforts as a Member of the Alberta Legislature where my Private Member's Bill laid the foundation for the creation of the Alberta Organ & Tissue Donor Registry.

My Bill C-210 received unanimous support from all parties at every stage in the House of Commons and Senate. It was also given special expedited

passage in the Senate. This shows compassionate, sensible legislation has the ability to draw all politicians together for the benefit of all Canadians.

I want to thank all those who supported this initiative and took the time to share their personal stories. It took patience and determination to get here. It was a long road, but one worth travelling.

Finally, I want to wish everyone the best summer possible and ask that you take a moment to help those who may not have fared as well through the pandemic. If there is one thing we all learned the hard way, it is our community, our friends and our family that are the most important things in our lives. Be responsible and enjoy spending more time with them this summer.

Stay safe,

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information about government  
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online poll so that you can tell  
me how you want to be  
represented in Parliament.

Finally, I provide a complete list  
of all the issues and concerns  
that are brought to my  
attention throughout the month  
in the letters our community  
writes to me. **Sign up today!**

# MAKING A DIFFERENCE FOR CANADIANS ONE BILL AT A TIME

Members of Parliament have just one opportunity to introduce a piece of legislation per Parliamentary session.

A lottery determines the order and most MPs never get the chance to put forward their proposals. I was fortunate to be picked first in this session. Very few pieces of this type of legislation ever pass — just 1.9%.

However, **Conservative MPs have been very successful as of late getting some very important pieces of legislation through Parliament by getting the support of some, or all, of the other political parties.** While these efforts are rarely covered by the media, they represent the tireless and dedicated efforts of a few MPs to make life better for all Canadians.



**Conservative MP Scot Davidson's Bill C-204** (which I am the co-sponsor) would prohibit the exportation of plastic waste for final disposal from Canada to foreign countries. It's time we deal with our own waste instead of using the rest of the world as a dumping ground. Recycling has failed to keep 90% of our plastics from our landfills and our environment. Dumping it in other nations is not a solution either. The Liberals promised in 2019 that they would ban some single-use plastics in 2021. However, there is no indication they will table the required legislation soon so that it has time to be properly debated and passed this year — likely another broken election promise. **(Liberals opposed)**

**Conservative MP Larry Maguire's Bill C-208** would allow small businesses, farm families and family fishing corporations the same tax rate when selling their operations to a family member as they would if they sold it to a third party. Currently, when a person sells their small business to a family member, the difference between the sale price and the original purchase price is considered to be a dividend. However, if the business is sold to a non-family member, the sale is considered a capital gain. It is unacceptable that it is more financially advantageous for a parent to sell their farm or small business to an absolute stranger than it is to their own children. **(Liberals opposed)**



**Conservative MP Kevin Waugh's Bill C-218** will legalize betting on single-event sports, like the Super Bowl or Kentucky Derby. The gaming industry pays \$6.7 billion in salaries per year and generates over \$9 billion in revenue for governments and charities every year. However, none of that includes single-event sport betting, which is a \$14-billion industry in Canada. Sadly, all of that activity is taking place underground. Offshore websites like Bodog and bet365 take in billions of dollars a year, and criminal organizations operating black market betting rings across the country are taking in billions of dollars more. None of that money is going back toward the public good, and much of it goes toward funding other forms of criminality. **(Liberals & NDP supported)**



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**Conservative MP Matt Jeneroux's Bill C-220** extends compassionate care leave by up to three weeks past the death of a loved one to allow more time for caregivers to grieve and take care of practical necessities before returning to work. Currently, full-time employees can take up to 28 weeks off work through the compassionate care leave benefit to care for a loved one who has a serious medical condition with a significant risk of death.  
**(Unanimously supported)**

**Conservative MP Richard Bragdon's Bill C-228** is *An Act to Establish a Federal Framework to Reduce Recidivism*. It is an important first step in ending the ever-revolving doors of our prison system. We know that within two years, 25% of those released from a federal prison will end up back in prison. That rate increases to nearly 40% Indigenous and other minority communities. We must have an all-hands-on-deck approach to help those who are some of the most wounded and vulnerable in our society. By bringing together the best that the public sector, private sector, non-profits, and faith-based communities have to offer, we can together bring about lasting societal change by reducing recidivism rates.  
**(Only opposed by the Bloc Quebecois)**



## Looking for a job?

If you are seeking employment, visit [www.jobbank.gc.ca](http://www.jobbank.gc.ca) for a list of public and private sector job opportunities.

You can search for job by your location, type, and full time/part time/casual opportunities.

You can also download the app,

## Looking for help?

The pandemic has had a huge impact on the mental health of many, but help is available.

If you need to speak to someone, please call 811, or call the Mental Health Helpline at 877-303-2642. Youth can get help through Kids Help Phone at 1-800-668-6868.

## Looking for benefits?

If you are in need of government assistance benefits, please visit [www.canadabenefits.gc.ca](http://www.canadabenefits.gc.ca)

Just answer 20 simple multiple-choice questions and you will get a comprehensive list of federal and provincial benefits you may qualify for and may not be receiving.

## YOUR OPINION COUNTS!

Should the federal government prohibit the dumping of raw sewage into our rivers and lakes?

☐ Yes

☐ No

☐ Unsure

Do you agree with a proposal in the Senate to lower the voting age to 16 years of age?

☐ Yes

☐ No

☐ Unsure

Do you agree with the Liberal government's efforts to regulate what you post on social media?

☐ Yes

☐ No

☐ Unsure

SURVEY RESULTS ARE PRINTED IN THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER. SUBSCRIBE AT [LENWEBBER.CA](http://LENWEBBER.CA)

### When it comes to addressing the concerns of Canadians...

What do you think of the job the Conservative caucus is doing?

- ☐ EXCELLENT
- ☐ GOOD
- ☐ POOR

What do you think of the job the Liberal caucus is doing?

- ☐ EXCELLENT
- ☐ GOOD
- ☐ POOR

What do you think of the job the NDP caucus is doing?

- ☐ EXCELLENT
- ☐ GOOD
- ☐ POOR

What do you think of the job your Member of Parliament **Len Webber** is doing?

- ☐ EXCELLENT
- ☐ GOOD
- ☐ POOR

# READY TO TRAVEL? EXPECTING VISITORS?

As vaccinations increase and COVID cases continue to decrease, Canadians are now starting to think about travelling or having visitors come to Canada. Any travel at this time puts you at increased risk of contracting COVID and should be carefully considered.

While many aspects of international travel are yet to be determined and travel rules remain fluid, we do know that travel will not return to normal for some time yet.

Anyone travelling in the foreseeable future must accept that rules regarding travel, border entry, testing and quarantine requirements may change at any time and may result in unanticipated delays and additional costs. If you travel, you must be prepared to accept these unknown risks. Many requirements will be imposed by other nations and are beyond the control of the Canadian government.

Until travel returns to normal, it will be important to stay informed about the rules you or your visitors will have to follow.

Those planning on having visitors from outside Canada, or those returning to

Canada, should consult [www.travel.gc.ca/returning](http://www.travel.gc.ca/returning) for the latest information. Requirements will likely be different depending on your mode of travel, port of entry and the purpose of your trip.

Any Canadian travelling outside Canada should download the ArriveCAN app on their phone and register themselves at [www.travel.gc.ca/register](http://www.travel.gc.ca/register) so that the Government of Canada can be aware of your whereabouts and get you critical information if needed. In the past, those registered have been prioritized for assistance abroad.

Any Canadian abroad can receive 24/7 emergency assistance by emailing [sos@international.gc.ca](mailto:sos@international.gc.ca) or by calling collect to 613-996-8885. Those in need of assistance should call directly if possible.

Finally, while the COVID situation in Canada is improving, this is not the case in many countries. Anyone travelling is always advised to consult the Government of Canada travel advisories for their destination at [www.travel.gc.ca/travelling/advisories](http://www.travel.gc.ca/travelling/advisories).

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