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LifeCanada's monthly news bulletin offers quick news reports on the latest developments in life issues throughout Canada and around the world. We provide information on current research developments, pro-life events and activities, news reports and much more. Please consider forwarding this monthly E-Newsflash to family, friends, and others who would like to be kept up-to-date and informed on life issues. Sign up for E-Newsflash [here](#).

## ***2008 International Pro-Life Conference***

The annual Canadian pro-life conference will have an international flavor this year—LifeCanada and Campaign Life Coalition have joined forces with the International Right to Life Federation for an international pro-life conference, Creating a Culture of Life Around the Globe. Held in Toronto on October 2-4, the conference offers an exciting line-up of speakers, including presentations from leading international pro-life groups, front-line pro-life activists from the US and key players in the Canadian pro-life movement.

US Attorney Brian Rooney with the Saint Thomas More Law Center will speak on the increasing assault on freedom of speech in North America. From closer to home, Saskatchewan's Dr. Sheila Harding will speak on the eroding doctor/patient relationship in Canada, in light of the increasing push to legalize euthanasia and physician-assisted suicide.

From the UK, hear anti-slavery activist William Wilberforce's great grandson, Father Gerard Wilberforce, who says his ancestor would be fighting against abortion if he were alive today.

Don't miss this important opportunity to learn about current pro-life developments, be inspired by the courageous work of international activists and network with pro-life workers from around the globe! [Click here for more information.](#)

## ***Poll Finds Canadian Majority does NOT Support Abortion on Demand—Despite Media Spin***

Reports on a new online poll on abortion have claimed that the results show "91 percent of Canadians" support a woman's right to abortion. ("We're a 'pro-choice country'", the Toronto Sun, June 22, 2008). In fact, the poll results show just the opposite. A majority of Canadians questioned said they wanted more restrictions on abortion, with more women than men rejecting abortion on demand.

When asked if abortion should be permitted in all cases, restricted in some cases, or only permitted to save the life of the mother, **46%** of respondents said abortion should be permitted in all cases. A total of **48%** said abortion should be more restricted than it is now, with 22% saying it should only be permitted in cases of rape, incest or to save the life of the mother and 7% saying only to save the life of the mother.



Rejection of abortion on demand was even higher among women, with 50% saying abortion should only be permitted under some circumstances, compared to 44% who supported abortion in all cases.

When asked if abortion should be legal or illegal, Canadians were almost equally divided, with 49% saying abortion should be legal in all circumstances and 47% saying abortion should only be legal in some circumstances or not at all.

The Angus Reid online poll was conducted June 4-5, 2008 among a randomly selected, representative sample of 1,003 adult Canadians. The margin of error for the total sample is +/- 3.1%, 19 times out of 20. [Click here to view the poll results.](#)

## ***Bill to Legalize Euthanasia Before Parliament***

Legislation that would permit euthanasia and assisted suicide in Canada has been brought before parliament by Bloc Quebecois MP Francine Lalonde. The legislation is similar to bill C-407, introduced by MP Lalonde in June 2005. Bill C-562 would amend the Criminal Code to permit euthanasia and assisted suicide for people experiencing physical or mental pain who have not found relief through treatment or who have expressly refused to receive treatment. Under Lalonde's bill, individuals experiencing chronic depression would be eligible for assisted suicide. The person requesting euthanasia or assisted suicide would have to make the request "while appearing to be lucid".

"The bill is a direct threat to the lives of people with disabilities and/or chronic conditions who are often viewed as being without any prospect of relief," said Alex Schadenberg, executive director of the Euthanasia Prevention Coalition - Canada, in an online analysis of the bill. "People with disabilities and chronic conditions will often view their life experience differently from those who are making a judgment of their quality of life."

The Euthanasia Prevention Coalition has asked concerned Canadians to contact their MP and ask them not to support bill C-562.

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LifeCanada is hosting a "No Show" evening to celebrate life on Canada Day! Save the cost of evening gown, tux, and travel—help us put every penny we can toward the work of educating Canadians on respect for life.

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respect for life in Canada. We cover difficult topics such as the ethics of end-of-life care, what's wrong with In Vitro Fertilization therapy, and why the crime of rape does not justify abortion.

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