



Motion calls for worker supports

The Conservatives introduced an Official Opposition Day motion today, and debate followed in the House of Commons, calling on the Federal Government to “include in the next federal budget measures to help workers and their families struggling the most in the current economic downturn by:

“(a) introducing sector-specific measures to support workers in the highly impacted hospitality, tourism and charitable sectors;




“(b) providing repayable loans to airlines in exchange for consumer refunds, job guarantees, restrictions on executive compensation and restoration of regional routes; and

“(c) improving support programs, including lending supports, for small and medium businesses to be accessible within 30 days of the passage of this motion to prevent a wave of bankruptcies and layoffs.”

These jobs matter and are vital to both our region’s and country’s economic recovery.

My hope is this motion will pass and we can guide the government towards helping out these industries that have been overlooked, and small businesses, which are struggling more and more as each month passes.

THE LIBERALS ARE ELIMINATING MANDATORY PRISON TIME FOR CRIMINALS WHO:

-  commit robbery with a firearm,
-  weapons trafficking,
-  and drive-by shootings.

LIBERALS ARE MORE INTERESTED IN STANDING UP FOR CRIMINALS, THAN DEFENDING OUR COMMUNITIES.

Law-abiding gun owners are in the Liberals’ sights with C-21 while C-22 goes soft on criminals charged with illegal gun offences.

Bills target owners, not gun crimes

Two pieces of legislation introduced by the Liberal Government this month seem at cross-purposes with one another.

Bill C-21 was tabled in the House last week and puts a number of new restrictions on law-abiding gun owners.

As of April 22, 2022, owners of over 1,500 models prohibited last May will have to cease all use and store their firearms indefinitely, or participate in the government’s buy-back program, which has yet to be outlined. This also includes some replica firearms and airsoft (paintball) guns.

Bill C-22, which was introduced last month, will eliminate mandatory minimum penalties

for a number of firearms and drug offences.

This includes crimes such as robbery with a firearm, weapons and drug trafficking, and production of drugs like heroin, cocaine and fentanyl.

So on one hand, we have firearms legislation that unjustly targets law-abiding gun owners while the other bill reduces mandatory minimum sentences for criminals charged with illegal gun offences.

It’s frustrating for gun owners to continue to be the wrong target. Instead, we need common-sense firearms policies that keep guns out of the hands of dangerous criminals, and drug laws that target traffickers while protecting the vulnerable.