



## NATIONAL HEALTH FREEDOM ACTION

### June 16, 2008: Health freedom alert on Canada's bill C-51.

*(Canada's NHPPA has sent this alert to let all people in the health freedom community know what is going on in Canada with bill C-51. National Health Freedom Action (NHFA) in the U.S.A. is sending it on to you. Natural Health Products Protection Agency (NHPPA ) was founded by Canadian health freedom leaders in 2008).*

#### **Here is what NHPPA has to say!!!!**

"The NHPPA has fielded many inquiries concerning whether Bill C-51 should be stopped or amended. Because of the tremendous threat posed by Bill C-51 the NHPPA is taking the position that:

- Bill C-51 must be stopped, not amended, and
- The "Amend" Bill C-51 campaign threatens to undermine the Stop Bill C-51 efforts and permit Bill C-51 to pass with only superficial amendments.

#### **Bill C-51 is too Dangerous to Take Chances With**

Bill C-51 is the most significant threat to the Natural Health Community in generations. Some of the problems with Bill C-51 include:

- It is an offence not to follow the instructions of a Health Canada Inspector regardless of whether that direction creates a health risk. Natural Health Practitioners who are told to stop providing a treatment will be committing an offence if they continue to help their patients. Manufacturers of Natural Health Products will be committing an offence if they continue to provide products people rely upon for their health. In effect, Bill C-51 enables Inspectors without medical training to make health decisions;
- the scope of the definition of "sell" is expanded in a manner that will include single sales of compounded NHPs by natural health practitioners;
- trade agreements and foreign laws can be imposed without Parliamentary scrutiny;
- Pre-approval by Health Canada of all "therapeutic products" regardless of risk profile becomes mandatory. Exceptions are only by regulation on a single narrow ground;
- Fines for violations are increased by unprecedented factors of 500 and 1000 times. Directors and officers are made personally liable. Few in the NHP Community could survive a prosecution if Bill C-51 passes;
- Inspectors can seize private property for any reason, for any length of time, and without judicial oversight or pre-approval;
- Inspectors can destroy seized property without Court approval;
- Property owners are liable for seizure, transportation and destruction costs regardless of whether the seizure and destruction was justified.

**For more urgent detail and discussion go to:**  
<http://nhppa.org/?p=28#more-28>

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