

**THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE OF CANADA
ALBERTA MACKENZIE PROVINCIAL COUNCIL**

Legislation Annual Report 2011

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69 Councils reporting

Many letters were written concerning Bill C-384 – to legalize Euthanasia. Petitions were also signed. Many members support Hospices in order to help the aging people so that they are not victims to Euthanasia.

Another concern from one council was the financial assistance of maternity benefits for those who chose abortion. One council had a petition to amend section 163 of the Criminal Code to enact strong and mandatory minimum sentences against perpetrators of child pornography.

One Diocese reported that they had very few Legislation chairpersons, and therefore were not very involved in letter writing, although they did keep informed via newsletters and the League magazine. They support the "Safe Streets and Communities Act."

Another Diocese was busy writing letters on current issues in both Federal and Provincial issues. They did write about the defunding of abortions, raising the age of consent, human trafficking and support Catholic education. Some attended public forums in their communities.

One Diocese reported councils following closely the activity of the local/municipal governments, while others were interested in their School Board affairs, especially where Catholic schools are concerned.

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