

The Catholic Women's League of Canada
ALBERTA MACKENZIE PROVINCIAL COUNCIL
LEGISLATION ANNUAL REPORT 2012

Provincial Chairperson: Yvette F.

Diocesan Chairpersons: Calgary	Cathy B.
Edmonton	Margaret K.
Grouard-McLennan	Lucille P.
Mackenzie-Fort Smith	Julia F.
St. Paul	Mary H.

Ladies from one Diocese reported having a speaker at their convention to speak on Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide which is now being discussed in Parliament. Ladies were encouraged to write letter to MPs and the Prime Minister.

One Diocese reported that they follow ethical legislation that is in the process of being passed by Parliament.

Another Diocese reported working on a Government Private Members Bill from Joy Smith from Manitoba on Human Trafficking. They wrote letters to their MP thanking him for supporting the motion 312 on the Abortion issue. Some members attended the Legislation workshop at the National Convention.

A Diocese reported that members met with their Member of Parliament to discuss various topics pertaining to Resolutions.

Many other members reported writing letters, circulation and signing petitions and voting on online polls. Most reported educating their members on current legislation. Several members reported using the National website. One council described encouraging members to participate in the Provincial election by seeking out candidates' views on social justice issues and stewardship of Alberta's limited water resources. Proposed changes to the Alberta Education Act instigated letter writing. Five Councils also took action in support of Motion 312 regarding examination of Criminal Code definition of when life begins.

Another Diocese reported that councils sent hundreds of postcards to the Health Minister requesting removal of candy-flavoured tobacco products and to ban such products. They also reviewed Bills that were being presented at both Provincial and Federal levels.

Yvette F.,

Legislation Chair