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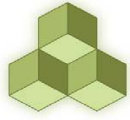
Dear: Minister

Re: Bill C-36 – the Canada Consumer Product Safety Act

I will be treating this as a public open letter as the issues are important to all Canadians. I will similarly treat your response as public.

I was hoping that you could provide me with some information that would assist me in assessing Bill C-36. What I am requesting of you is the following:

1. a copy of the regulations that would be passed under Bill C-36 if it becomes law. It is clear from the Bill, that there will be extensive regulations. The Bill appears to point to some type of certification process. It is difficult to assess the impact and ramifications of the regulatory scheme Bill C-36 would bring about, without seeing the proposed regulatory scheme. For this reasons a copy of the expected regulations are necessary;
2. Bill C-36 is clearly based on the assumption that consumer products are posing a risk that necessitates the changes set out in the Bill. I would appreciate copies of all risk analyses done that show the actual risk posed by consumer products, and/or which show that the changes in Bill C-36 are necessary to address these risks;
3. the projected cost to the government of administering Bill C-36;
4. the projected cost to the consumer products industry to comply with Bill C-36;



5. the projected cost to the consumer through price increases resulting from industry compliance with Bill C-36;
6. how the cost to the government of administering Bill C-36 is to be met – i.e. where are the funds to come from;
7. whether Health Canada is going to be able to access administrative fines, forfeited security deposits from compliance agreements, and/or seized property to off-set the costs of administering Bill C-36.

I look forward to receiving this information from you in a timely way.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Shawn P. Buckley", enclosed within a large, light blue oval scribble.

Shawn P. Buckley