

PETITION TO: The Government of Canada

We, the undersigned are concerned citizens of Canada who seek to draw the attention of the Government of Canada for their proposals contained in Bill C-75, *An Act to amend the Criminal Code, the Youth Criminal Justice Act and other Acts and to make consequential amendments to other Acts*, which seeks to hybridize many serious indictable crimes in the *Criminal Code of Canada*. Bill C-75 was introduced by the Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada in the House of Commons on March 29, 2018.

One of the purposes of this Bill is to fix the delays in our criminal justice system. By hybridizing many indictable offences, the Government of Canada will open the possibility that a judge could sentence an offender by way of a summary conviction. However, the enumerated crimes in this Bill are far too serious for this approach. Allowing potential punishment for serious indictable crimes to be as low as a fine weakens our ability to take the criminal justice system seriously, which directly damages our criminal justice system's reputation and legitimacy.

Therefore, your petitioners call upon the Government of Canada to amend Bill C-75 at the earliest opportunity by repealing all clauses within this Bill that propose to hybridize numerous serious indictable crimes.

Signatures

(Sign your own name. Do not print)

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(City and Province)
