

From: Gail Davidson

To: All Members of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia

Re: REPEAL of THE HEALTH PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS ACT

Request

I write to ask that you immediately exercise your power and duty as an MLA to immediately:

1. Take all measures necessary to ensure that the **Health Professions and Occupations Act** is repealed or withdrawn in its entirety and never comes into force; or,
2. Provide written justification for the **Health Professions and Occupations Act** including justification for the widespread delegation of powers to appointees to make, adopt and enforce laws, impose punishments, override protected rights, determine allegations, suspend licenses, define ethical and eligibility standards and make by-laws regarding informed consent and other essential aspects of health care.

Background

The **Health Professions and Occupations Act (ACT)** was improperly pushed through on 24 November 2022 without the consultation, disclosure, informed debate and voting required in a democracy. Perhaps the largest bill ever presented to the BC Legislative Assembly at 645 sections over 276 pages, the Act involves the amendment or repeal of 35 statutes and concerns the governance, licensing, discipline and control of approximately 130,000 health care workers in 25 health professions and occupations in BC. The ACT lacks a legitimate purpose and has never been subjected to disclosure, debate and acceptance or rejection by health care workers, the Legislative Assembly or the 5 million BC residents in need of personalized medical care. Passed undemocratically the ACT authorizes the undemocratic adoption, creation and enforcement of a myriad of regulations determining rights and the delivery and receipt of health care.

Apparent Purpose of the ACT

The ACT appears to be a trial statute to remove the democratic processes and safeguards that slow change and prevent absolute control and in so doing, hamper pharma profits. In keeping with goals of the WEF/OECD Agile Nations Charter adopted by Canada,¹ the ACT will, create instant pharma markets: prevent and punish individualized health care; extinguish protected rights including rights to informed consent to medical treatment, freedom from non-consensual medical or scientific experimentation and freedom from coercion to accept a treatment not voluntarily chosen; mandate vaccinations; impose severe penalties for non-compliance, criticism or opposition; and, prevent effective oversight by the public, health care workers, MLAs or the courts.

The ACT allows BC authorities and dozens of appointees to adopt, change and enforce laws without notice, justification, access to information, consultation, informed debate, consensus, voting by the Legislative Assembly and without meaningful access to remedies for rights violations. The Act paves the way for BC to partner with big Pharma (instead of with BC

¹ See “Agile Nations”: Nations Sign First Agreement to Unlock Potential of Emerging Tech, December 2020 <https://www.oecd.org/gov/regulatory-policy/agile-governance-for-the-post-pandemic-world-wef-oecd-joint-event.htm>, and Agile Nations Charter, Canada <https://www.canada.ca/en/government/system/laws/developing-improving-federal-regulations/modernizing-regulations/agile-nations-charter.html>

residents), unhampered by “the [regulatory irritants and roadblocks](#)”² of democracy. Presently of the people of BC use pharma: the ACT enables Pharma--with the aid of state powers--to use the people.

Dangers of the ACT to health care in BC³

The ACT poses sweeping dangers to the delivery and receipt of health care in BC. For example, the ACT:

1. Impairs or destroys rights to provide and receive personalized health care with arbitrarily imposed mandates, prohibitions and severe penalties for non-compliance;
2. Puts political appointees in charge of governance and licensing of health care workers, lawmaking regarding health care, seizure of health records, definition of ethical standards and informed consent, without oversight by MLAs, health care workers or the courts;
3. Seeks to criminalizes medical advice or opinions, to patients and the public, that are not sanctioned by state authorities;
4. Criminalizes freedom of expression and authorizes violation of other essential rights including rights to privacy, due process, informed consent to medical treatment, freedom from coercion or force to accept medical treatment not voluntarily chooses, freedom from medical or scientific experimentation and the right to work;
5. Authorizes the adoption as BC law, of laws and rules enacted or made by other states or by organizations without notice, justification, consultation, voting or oversight;
6. Allows appointees to mandate vaccination for 130,000 health care workers as a condition of licensing and/or employment;
7. Creates involuntary markets for pharma products through mandated vaccination;
8. Authorizes appointees to change the meaning of words.

In keeping with your solemn duties as an MLA to exercise parliamentary oversight by, *inter alia*, asking government to act on issues affecting residents of BC,⁴ I urge you to immediately:

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Thank you in advance for your reply.

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² Canada Gazette, Part I, Volume 156, Number 51: Regulations Amending Certain Regulations Made Under the Food and Drugs Act (Agile Licensing) <https://canadagazette.gc.ca/rp-pr/p1/2022/2022-12-17/html/reg1-eng.html>

³ A summary of some sections of concern will be provided on request.

⁴ Role of an MLA <https://members.leg.bc.ca/home/work-of-an-mla/role-of-an-mla/>