



# The Catholic Women's League of Canada

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## LEGISLATION & RESOLUTIONS ANNUAL REPORT 2010

45 Councils Reporting

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This year this Standing Committee gave a lot of attention to petitions. Several were handed out to councils during the year and the majority of councils responded by signing and sending. We received responses from those organizations that we supported and from those M.P.'s and Senators whose bills before Parliament that we supported. One Senator with whom I spoke, said that he was not aware until now that anyone noted what the Senators were doing, much encouraged them in their work of getting bills passed into law.

Responses to the Annual Report Form questions were very general. Some council follow closely the activity of their local/municipal politicians, while other councils are keenly interested in their school board affairs, particularly where there are Catholic schools. Still others support the provincial and federal issues.

Euthanasia was one of the most followed issues. Several councils took out memberships in the Euthanasia Prevention Coalition. Trafficking of persons was another hot topic with most councils reporting that they had participated in opposing the prostitution of women and girls at the 2010 Olympics.

Other issues brought to the fore this year included affordable housing for seniors and those with disabilities; preventing coercion of pregnant women to abort; responsible mining; asking the government to stop funding Planned Parenthood, an organization that promotes abortion.

Councils carry out little research on their own except for very local issues. They find the reporting from all levels of the League to be helpful when keeping their councils informed.

Respectfully submitted,  
For God and Canada

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