



## **About Our Private Member's Health Freedom Bill C-420**

Our Health Freedom draft Bill was incorporated into Bill C-420 [see attached] and introduced into the House of Commons on March 20, 2003 by Dr. James Lunney, a Chiropractic doctor. The Bill passed 1<sup>st</sup> reading in April 2003.

History was made on October 22, 2003, when, against Jean Chretien's direct orders, we were successful at passing 2<sup>nd</sup> reading 124 to 85.

In April 2004, the Standing Committee on Health had its first meeting to review Bill C-420 [see attached]. The Federal election then stopped the process.

The great news is that Bill C-420 was reintroduced on October 21, 2004 by Dr. Colin Carrie, a Chiropractic doctor from Whitby. Unanimous consent was obtained to keep the old Bill number.

The significance of Bill C-420 is that it would eliminate the vague use based definition of Drug and the confusion between what is for federal regulatory purposes a "DRUG" or a "FOOD".

This is a very important improvement in health freedom, as it would remove federal jurisdiction from the majority of our products [see attached legal reference book extract dealing with this matter, as well as a page from a Health Canada Policy].

The passage of Bill C-420 would also destroy the current regulatory scheme via the Governor-in-Council to enact the Natural Health Product regulations effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2004.

For your information these regulations are unlawful, and are being challenged by our associated organizations Freedom of Choice in Health Care, and The Alliance of Natural Health Suppliers. For more information contact:

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In addition to correcting this longstanding issue our Health Freedom bill will also eliminate the federal censorship mechanism contained in subsections 3(1) and 3(2) of the antiquated Food and Drugs Act.

Over a million consumers across Canada sent a strong message to government in 1997, making it clear such legislation as Schedule “A” and Section 3(1) and 3(2) of the antiquated Food and Drugs Act could no longer be used to deny Canadians health freedom or relegate foods to drug status. The government responded in November of 1998 by setting up the Standing Committee on Health, which sought input from citizens recommendations were tabled in the House of Commons and accepted on March 26, 1999 by Minister of Health, the Honorable Allan Rock on behalf of Parliament. Further to that process the government set up the Office of Natural Health Products Transition Team (a committee of experts formed from Health Canada, consumers and consumer groups) and accepted their clarification and expansion of the 53 recommendations as submitted in their March 31, 2000 report.