

Georgetown doctor argues for tough restrictions on abortion

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OTTAWA—A Georgetown doctor was one of seven pro-life physicians who argued for tough restrictions on access to abortion before a House of Commons committee Tuesday.

Dr. Deborah Zeni and her colleagues in Canadian Physicians for Life called for jail terms of up to two years for anyone who performs an abortion unless the procedure is the only way to counter serious risks to a pregnant woman's health.

Dr. Zeni is a general practitioner in Georgetown, and active in local mental health and parent-child groups.

The doctors were testifying before the legislative committee reviewing Bill C-43, the federal government's proposed new abortion law.

The law would require women seeking an abortion to first gain the permission of a doctor.

Tempers flared at the committee

meeting when two pro-choice MPs - Quebec Tory Lise Bourgault and Nova Scotia Liberal Mary Clancy - questioned the doctors on the subject of the mental health of a woman with an unwanted pregnancy.

Dr. Paul Ranalli, a neurologist at the University of Toronto, said even in the case of a teenage girl pregnant through incest, the girl's desire for an abortion would not be enough to make him approve the procedure.

Another of the doctors called an abortion in that case "a second violation" that would not help the incest victim.

"Who are you?" Ms. Bourgault shot back angrily. "You have really gone too far. You're doctors, after all."

Although the CPL's proposed amendment would include mental health in its definition of health risks, an abortion could not be performed unless a doctor deemed it to be the only treatment available.

When asked if they could suggest an instance when this would be true, however, none of the doctors did so.

Dr. Zeni, a family doctor in Georgetown, cited the case of a pregnant woman she treated in her Georgetown practice. The woman was diagnosed as psychotic.

"The treatment of choice was treatment of the psychosis, not an abortion," she said.

Later, Dr. Zeni said medical studies have shown an abortion will "generally" make a psychologically vulnerable or unstable woman's condition worse.

Dr. Zeni and the other six doctors dodged questions on whether they would refer a woman patient, coming to them to approve an abortion request, to another doctor.

Instead of answering the question directly, each doctor replying, said they would fully explore other options.

"If you ask me whether I counsel abortions, obviously you can see from the fact I am here that no, I can't," Dr. Zeni said in an interview. "Because I don't see it as a medically appropriate treatment for an unwanted pregnancy."

Halton may appeal land severance

Halton Regional council will decide today (Wednesday) if the Region should continue its attempts to prevent a Halton Hills man from severing a part of his land to build his daughter a home.

The Region's planning and public works committee decided Feb. 28 to appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board a Land Division Committee's decision that would allow Barry Whitworth to build a house on his property located on the north side of Sideroad 5 east of the Ninth Line.

Halton Hills council rejected its staff recommendation earlier this year that the LDC's decision be appealed to the OMB.

Mr. Whitworth runs a 67-acre beef farm at this location and he wants to use an acre to build a house for his daughter, committee members were told at last Wednesday's meeting.

The LDC had approved the severance because it didn't involve "prime agricultural land and is for a family transaction," according to a LDC report.

But the Region's staff in its

report points out among other things that the land in question is prime agricultural land.

Halton's staff said Wednesday it arrived at this decision after an official with the provincial ministry of environment visited the site and deemed it prime agricultural land.

Mr. Whitworth argued the house would be located along a wooded area of the property and therefore wouldn't destroy any viable farm land.

Acton Regional Councillor Rick Bonnette represented a minority of committee members and voted to uphold the LDC's decision. He argued that council formed the LDC to make decisions about these types of land severances and by defeating LDC's decision the committee was undermining the role of the LDC.

But Burlington Regional Councillor Rob Forbes countered saying that the committee is in an "adversarial" role with the LDC.

The Region's staff also disagreed with the LDC's reasoning that because the severance was for Mr. Whitworth's daughter, it should be permitted.

Town cracks down

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shortage of apartments in town, but the town doesn't want housing that is unsafe."

The owners of Ready Mix in Acton were fined \$300 for failing to obey a stop-work order, and building without a permit.

The town asked for a minimum fine of \$150 per offence because the owners were "very co-operative". The owners stopped construction on the illegal addition as soon as the town laid the charges, said Mr. Holmes.

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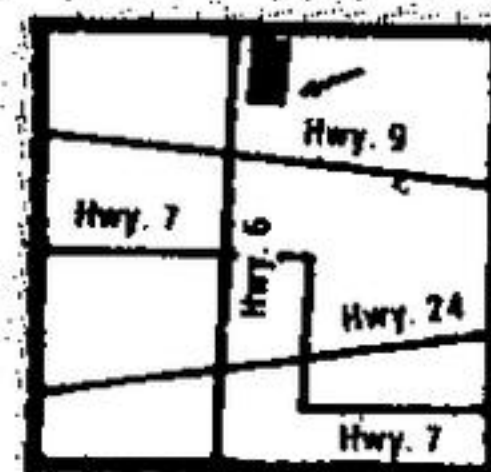
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