



Dog Legislation Council of Canada

Promoting and supporting responsible dog ownership
and public bite-prevention education.

Encouraging and fostering non-breed-specific dangerous dog laws.

The Dog Legislation Council of Canada (herein referred to as the DLCC), is a federally incorporated not for profit organization dedicated to the promotion of breed-neutral legislation and public dog bite prevention education.

In Ontario, we have had children attacked by dogs - both before and after the breed ban.

One attack by a publicly perceived "friendly" breed, put a child into a coma all the while, the Ontario Legislature was debating a ban on "pit bulls".

The only factor common to each incidence, is the negligence of the dog owner; either by willful neglect or deliberate intent.

We have had two fatalities since the ban was implemented in Ontario, neither caused by a "pit bull".

Neither death would have been prevented by banning a dog based on its appearance.

Statistics show that over 99% of all dog owners are responsible dog owners and over 99% of all dogs never bite anybody.

Perspective is important.

It is the collective expectation of all Canadians, that public policy is based on fact and not media based fears and fiction.

That is why, the DLCC offers it official support of this Bill, which promotes and supports responsible dog owners and strengthens a dog owners liability for the actions of their dogs.

Respectfully,

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