

Le prochain vote sur C-391 : trop serré!

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Ce 22 septembre, la Chambre des communes votera sur la recommandation émise par le comité parlementaire SECU d'abandonner le projet de loi C-391, une loi qui mettrait un terme à l'enregistrement de 7 million de carabines et de fusils de chasse. Un vote favorable sauvera le registre. Si la motion est rejetée, le projet de loi fera l'objet d'un vote final en troisième lecture.

- ➔ Il y a **307 votes admissibles** à la Chambre des communes (*le Président de la Chambre, Peter Milliken, ne votera qu'en cas d'égalité*). Il semblerait que **2 sièges seront vacants** lors du vote (2 sièges vacants actuellement. Noter que Inky Mark du Parti conservateur a annoncé sa démission, mais on ne sait pas quand il partira)
- ➔ 144 députés conservateurs, 2 députés indépendants (*Arthur et Guergis*) ainsi que **8 députés néo-démocrates (Bevington, Cullen, Hugues, Hyer, Maloway, Rafferty, Stoffer, Ashton)** = **154 en appui au C-391**, c'est-à-dire qui ont voté pour C-391 en deuxième lecture et qui n'ont pas indiqué de changement dans leur intention de vote (donc ils voteront contre la motion du SECU).
- ➔ 75 Libéraux, 48 Bloc, 24 NPD + 4 NDP (*Angus, Thibeault, Gravelle et Allen*) = **151 contre le C-391**, c'est-à-dire qu'ils ont indiqué qu'ils voteront POUR la motion du comité SECU.

Pour sauver le registre, il faut que deux députés changent de

vote. En cas d'égalité, le président de la Chambre votera. Pour des questions de procédures, il pourrait voter contre la motion du SECU.

Parmi les 12 députés du NPD qui avaient voté pour le C-391 en deuxième lecture, voici des récentes citations des huit qui indiquent qu'ils voteront pour C-391 (*en anglais seulement*):

1. **John Rafferty** (Thunder Bay–Rainy River, ON) (**7 sept.**) "The MP for Thunder Bay–Rainy River is standing firm on his commitment to scrap the long gun registry. (...) But I've heard loud and clear from the people of my riding and I have not changed the way I intend to vote." <http://b93news.blogspot.com/2010/09/rafferty-staying-firm-against-long-gun.html>
2. **Bruce Hyer** (Thunder Bay–Sup North, ON) (**7 sept.**) "I absolutely will vote to continue the debate I will not vote to kill that bill," Hyer said. <http://www.tbnewswatch.com/news/108245/Area-MPs-say-they%27ll-still-vote-to-end-long-gun-registry>
3. **Hughes** (Algoma–Manitoulin, ON) (**25 août**) "Hughes said she will vote against the motion to defeat it but is still thinking about how to vote if the bill makes it to third reading, the stage before the Senate." <http://www.canada.com/news/Dozen+could+decide+fate+long+registry/3438155/story.html>
4. **Bevington** (Western Arctic) (**1 sept.**) "While he acknowledged he hasn't had an overwhelming number of public complaints regarding the registry, he said his vote against it will be in keeping with the concerns of most Northern residents. "It's pretty clear in the NWT ... the support for changing the registry is there." He said the registry undermines traditional practices, aboriginal rights and restricts the ease of hunting. That's a position echoed by NWT Conservative candidate Brendan Bell." http://nnsl.com/northern-news-services/stories/papers/sep1_10gr.html
5. **Cullen** (Skeena–Bulk Valley, BC) (**7 sept.**) "Nathan Cullen is remaining rock solid in his stand regarding the Long-Gun Registry. "He will not be supporting it. He thinks it's a total waste of money," said [Constituency Assistant Shelley] Browne. "He believes in gun control strongly but this isn't the way to do it, this isn't a useful crime prevention tool." His vote, she said, will be towards killing the registry. In a 2009 media release Cullen said it is "time to stop dividing the country over guns." http://www.bclocalnews.com/bc_north/thenorthernview/news/102323169.html
6. **Maloway** (Elmwood–Transcona, MB) (**31 août**) "[Maloway] said he was not consulted by Layton or anyone else on the proposed bill. "I got a heads-up on Saturday that there would be announcement by the leader Monday morning on the gun registry," said Maloway. Regardless, said Maloway, he still plans to vote with Hoeppner. "Nothing there changes my view on the long-gun registry," said Maloway. He also said Layton's proposal is too little too late. "This bill just went through committee last spring," said Maloway. "Where were all these amendments at the committee?" <http://www.winnipegfreepress.com/canada/layton-jumps-to-save-registry-101861078.html>
7. **Stoffer** (Sackville–Eastern Shore, NS) (**31 août**) "[Stoffer] said he appreciates Layton is looking for a compromise but said he had not been consulted on specifics, such as Layton's proposal that penalties for non-registration begin as non-criminal fines. "The registry itself gives people a false sense of security over gun control and gun safety," Stoffer said. Like Layton, Stoffer blamed the Conservatives for playing politics with the long-gun registry. Stoffer said if the Tories were serious about killing it, they would have included the measure in a budget bill." <http://www.niagarafallsreview.ca/ArticleDisplay.aspx?e=2736069>
8. **Ashton:** Hasn't said anything since voting for C-391 at second reading