

# WASTEFUL SPENDING ON GUN REGISTRY REVEALED

Recently, Roger Gallaway, a Liberal MP from Ontario, took a bold step forward to express his frustration with the gun control registry when he suggested that \$96 million of funding should be cut from the program for the remainder of this fiscal year. Such a cut from the National Firearms Centre would serve to shut down the operation of the registry. Anne McLellan, Deputy Prime Minister and the Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness, expressed her disappointment that a member of her caucus would hold such an unfavorable view toward the registry. One should wonder why there are not more than a handful of Liberal MP's who are opposed to this flawed and wasteful legislation.

Due to pressure, Mr. Gallaway later withdrew his motion. Conservative MP, Peter MacKay, Deputy Leader and critic for Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness, reintroduced the motion for a vote in the House. It was defeated by the combined efforts of the Liberals, Bloc

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and NDP. With the recent announcement that the gun registry will not be fully operational until December 31, 2007 and with costs escalating to an estimated \$2 billion, it is apparent that the registry needs to go. When will the government admit that there are better ways to keep Canadians safe than promoting the useless gun registry?

*To put this wasteful spending into perspective, consider what \$2 billion dollars could have been used for:*

- A program for farmers designed to address the losses sustained from the affects of frost, loss of crop grades, and low commodity prices
- 8 years of salary for 4,444 new police officers
- The acquisition and installation of approximately 500 MRIs
- A bursary for every university student in the province to fund his or her education, amounting to \$84,545.15 per student.
- Five years of total drug expenditures in Saskatchewan

Are you tired of the Liberal government's waste and mismanagement of your tax dollars? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Are you in favor of cutting \$96 million dollars from the gun registry? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Response and comments attached to questions raised with respect to agriculture. Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Please note any brief comments or suggestions below:

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