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DIRE GOVERNMENT PLANS TARGET THE INJURED, BENEFIT THE POWERFUL & DESTROY LEGAL PROTECTIONS AGAINST THE RECKLESS

(Vancouver, BC) – The Government of British Columbia wants to radically change the entire civil justice system and thereby arm itself with the power to decide if and how innocent individuals will be compensated for harm suffered.

If the government's plans are enacted, the injured will pay for the reckless behaviour of the negligent.

Evidence of the government's six-point plan for fundamental change is found in Attorney General Geoff Plant's so-called Civil Liability Review. However, the first strike has already been launched, somewhat surreptitiously, in the form of Bill 67, *The Transportation Investment Act*.

In the draft policy paper, it reads: "*The Act* also provides for: removing duty of care from the Province for responsibilities of partners (precluding the Province from being sued for the actions or omissions of private-sector partners)."

Among other ills, the above-noted change will protect government should budgetary concerns supersede public safety issues, i.e. inexperienced or negligent highway-maintenance contractors cause death or injury to innocent people.

This is merely the first component of a far-reaching plan that seeks to destroy rights, deny compensation and insulate the powerful, i.e. government and big business.

To be clear, the rights and legal recourse belonging to the people of British Columbia are under attack by its government.

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