

Conservative MP says Wireless Industry is Misleading Canadians About Cell Phone Safety

February 2nd, 2014 Ottawa - Conservative MP Terence Young says the Canadian wireless industry is misleading Canadians about the potential health effects of using cell phones and WiFi routers.

Young, the MP from Oakville, ON, has introduced a Private Member's Bill in Parliament that will require safety warnings on all wireless products sold in Canada, because the World Health Organization has declared that they might cause Cancer.

" Warnings for safe use are already buried in the fine print of every device manual," said Young. "But a spokesman for Bell and Telus has publicly responded to my Bill by saying there is 'no health risk'. That is wrong and they know it's wrong. They're behaving like the Tobacco industry did before scientists agreed cigarettes cause lung cancer."

Young pointed out that last week the French national government passed a similar law requiring safety restrictions on all cell phone packaging and advertising.

"In France it's now illegal to have Wi-Fi in day care centers, and the blanket Wi-Fi systems we put in Canadian schools are now restricted in French primary schools," said Young.

Young has received early support from across Canada and across party lines for his Bill, which will carry fines of one hundred thousand dollars a day for any retailer who sells wireless devices without displaying health warnings.

The Bill is applauded by former Microsoft Canada President Frank Clegg who agrees that the wireless industry is misleading Canadians about the safety of their products.

"To state that there is 'no demonstrated public health risk' is simply not true," said Clegg who is now CEO of Canadians for Safe Technology.

"It's well known in our industry that cell phones and Wi-Fi routers are a Cancer risk. The wireless industry is being a poor corporate citizen on this issue. They are warning us in fine print, then denying the warnings in public," said Clegg.

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