



**Bill C-331  
The Internment of  
Persons of Ukrainian  
Origin Recognition Act**

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**Mark's Bill C-331 Historic  
Passes Senate with Unanimous Consent**

**(Ottawa)** Today, the Senate of Canada gave unanimous consent to Dauphin-Swan River-Marquette MP Inky Mark's Bill C-331, the Internment of Persons of Ukrainian Origin Recognition Act. This Bill will now become law once it receives Royal Assent from the Governor General.

"The passage of Bill C-331 provides for recognition for those Ukrainian-Canadians and others of European descent who were unjustly interned in Canada during the First World War," said Mark "It will allow for redress, which will be dedicated to public education and the promotion of tolerance in this country."

"I would be remiss if I didn't thank my colleagues from all parties in both the House of Commons and Senate for their hard work and determination to see this Bill become law. Despite being on the eve of an election, both the House and Senate had the will and commitment to pass this important legislation.

"I am honoured to have tabled Bill C-331 and equally honoured to have been entrusted with this mission on behalf of Canada's Ukrainian community," Mark continued.

Senators from all parties spoke in favour of the Bill during today's debate in the Senate. They included Senator Terry Stratton, Senator Vivian Poy, Senator Marcel Prud'homme, Senator Sharon Carstairs, and Senator Madeleine Plamondon.

"The passage of C-331 demonstrates the mature Canada that people in this country expect. It makes a loud statement that Canada has grown up, that Canada can accept its past, learn from it and ensure that it is never repeated," Mark concluded.

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