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**To:** BCLTA - Library Board Chairs (lib-bd-chairs@interchange.ubc.ca); BCLTA-Liaisons (bclta-liaisons@interchange.ubc.ca)

**Subject:** BCLTA - Update on Bill C-458 - Letters still needed

**To: Library Board Chairs and BCLTA Liaisons****Bill C-458 - Private Member's Bill Regarding Extension of the Library Book Rate**

Further to our bulletin of August 16th ([www.bclta.org](http://www.bclta.org) - under Communications > Bulletins), we have been asked when this bill will be coming to parliament and if it is too late to urge support from local MPs.

Today we received the following response from Mr. Tweed's office; he is the MP for Brandon-Souris who has put forward the bill.

"Mr. Tweed would like to thank you for your group's support of his Library Bill C-458. Private members' bills stay on the order paper and continue movement through the House based on a draw system. This bill has not yet been chosen to move forward. He will be asking to trade for an earlier spot and will continue working to get this important bill through to royal assent.

Once again, Mr. Tweed thanks you for your support, and although there is no definite time frame at this point, he encourages your members to lobby their local MPs for support as well."

We have received copies of a number of letters sent to local MPs from library boards urging their support of Bill C-458. Thank you for sending us a copy.

If you have not already sent a letter, please refer to the original BCLTA bulletin for full background on this subject and consider adding your support to this important national issue.

Sincerely,

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President, British Columbia Library Trustees' Association