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HANDOUT 6: Bills! Bills! Bills!

Navigate the Parliament of Canada’s website at www.parl.gc.ca using the directions provided. Search out examples of the three types of parliamentary bills – government bills, Private Member’s Bills and Senate Bills. For each example provide a brief outline and an explanation of the purpose of the legislation. Use the chart (“Parliamentary Bills”) provided to complete this step.

These bills will be found under any current session of Parliament. Each year a new session of Parliament is held and it deals with new bills. Choose bills that you understand and that have some meaningful connection to you.

Bill	Title on Order Paper	Summary of Legislation and Purpose
C - 15 (Example)	An Act to amend the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act and to make related and consequential amendments to other Acts.	This government bill is aimed at reducing the production and distribution of marijuana across Canada. It will introduce mandatory minimum prison sentences for convicted offenders. Very few crimes carry a mandatory minimum sentence in Canada and this indicates that the crime is deemed very harmful to the public good.
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