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Kenny Chiu, the Conservative Party of Canada's Member of Parliament from British Columbia, has previously introduced Bill C-282, a Private Member's Bill known as the *Foreign Influence Registry Act*, during a parliamentary sitting.



Kenny Chiu

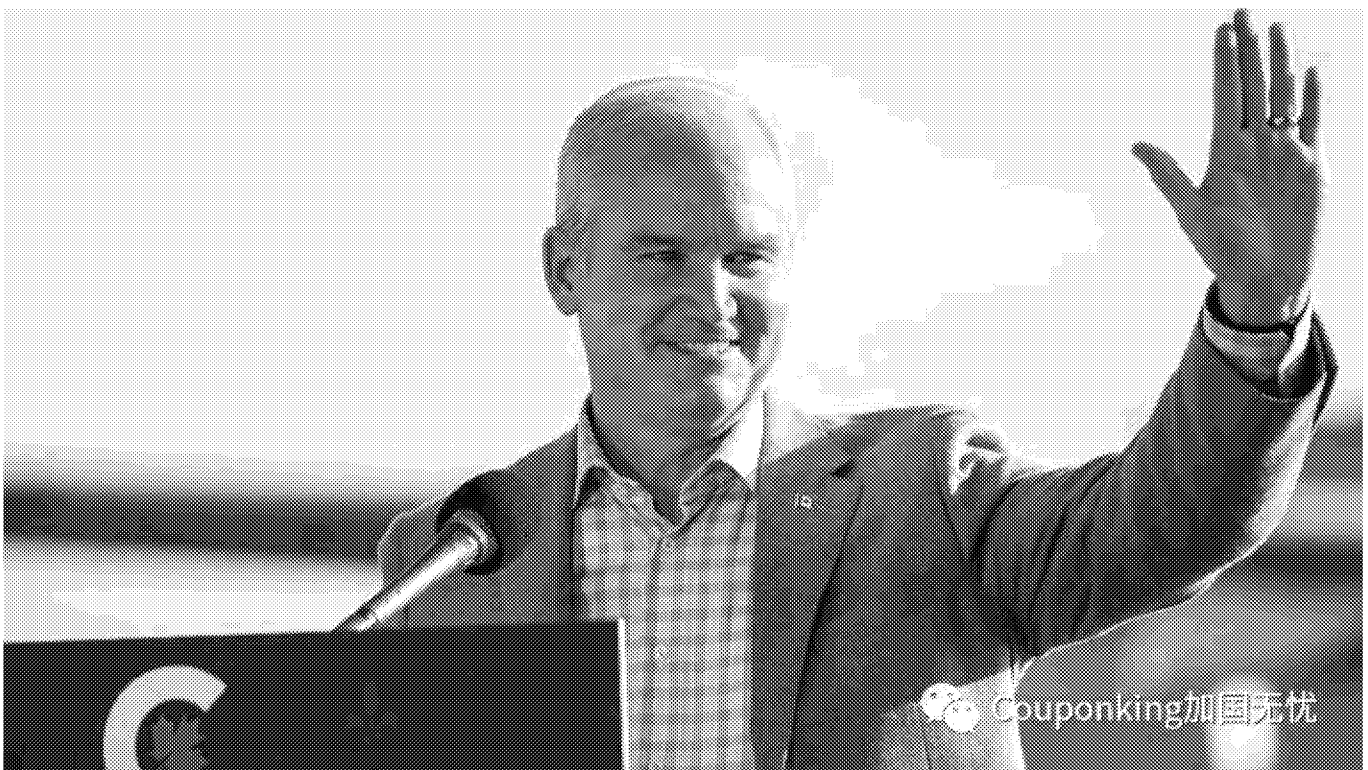
The Bill has passed its first reading before the dissolution of Parliament, and three stages of reading are required according to the parliamentary legislative procedure. If Kenny Chiu were to be re-elected in the [next] federal election, the *Foreign Influence Registry Act* would likely become part of Canadian law.

Why must Chinese Canadians pay attention to this Bill?

**The reason is simple. Once this Bill has passed all readings and becomes the law, every individual or organization connected to China may be considered**

**to be a representative or spokesperson of the Chinese government and be requested to undergo special registration.**

So, what's the problem with being registered? Following the registration, any activities related to the mainland Chinese community and any normal events involving economic, cultural and technological exchanges between Canada and China may be suppressed. The freedom of expression of ethnic Chinese could also be suppressed. It is also very likely that [the Bill] would have profound negative impact to the Chinese community.



Erin O'Toole, leader of the Conservative Party of Canada

If you still don't get it, then take a look at the following brief introduction, which will give you a clear understanding of the Bill.

Kenny Chiu, an MP of the Conservative Party of Canada, proposed the *Foreign Influence Registry Act*, which states that any person, company or organization, excluding official representatives of foreign governments, under the control of, or influenced by, any foreign government or political organization must register with the Department of Justice Canada. If any of these individuals or

organizations want to communicate with MPs and public officials, they also have to report and register with the government. Information required to be registered includes the name of the individual or the foreign influence that the individual represents and any financial transactions conducted with that foreign influence. Failure to register or providing incorrect information will result in a maximum penalty of CAD 200,000 and imprisonment for two years. (Link to the Bill: <https://www.parl.ca/DocumentViewer/en/42/bill/C-282/first-reading>)



A protest against China's *Hong Kong National Security Law* initiated by Kenny Chiu in Canada

The Private Member's Bill, introduced by Kenny Chiu, requires only individuals or organizations with connections to, or ties with, particular "hostile nations" to be registered; however, it does not mention which countries are considered to be a "hostile nation." And Chiu is known for his anti-China political stance. **With Chiu's introduction of the Bill at the time when Sino-Canadian relations are at an all-time low, it's obvious that the Bill is targeting Chinese individuals and organizations from mainland China in Canada. His objective is to curb any pro-China opinions and speech within Canada and to keep various individuals and organizations from mainland China under control and surveillance (including how we use WeChat).**

The Bill stipulates that individuals and organizations under the control of, or

influenced by, any foreign governmental authority will be considered as acting on behalf of the foreign government.

**Based on this definition, any individual or organization engaging in the following will be deemed as being influenced by the Chinese government and will hence be designated as acting on behalf of the Chinese government: Establishing hometown associations or organizing [related] events and receiving a congratulatory letter from home country government authorities for establishing an alumni association or organizing [related] events; it also includes any individual and organization attending Chinese National Day receptions or Lunar New Year celebrations organized by the Chinese Consulate, organizations inviting consular officers to attend an event, and individuals and organizations having connections with, and ties to, any senior-ranked Chinese officials; it even includes individuals who have worked for mainland Chinese organizations, including the government and state enterprises, and organizations that received sponsorship from any private Chinese enterprises.**

From the editor: Our MP Mr. Kenny Chiu is going to make a clean sweep of all pro-China associations! 🇨🇳

What do we know about Chiu's background, given his antagonistic political orientation against China? He was born in Hong Kong, immigrated to Canada in the 1980s and joined the Conservative Party of Canada. In 2019, he was elected as the MP for the Steveston-Richmond East federal electoral district.

From the editor: It goes without saying that you're a product of your environment. Mr. Chiu is top supporter of the insurgency in Hong Kong. He's now under sanction by the Chinese government and can't return to Hong Kong for the time being.

After winning the election, Chiu, in his capacity as an MP, was invited by the Hong Kong Anti-extradition Bill movement to go to Hong Kong and monitor the district council elections as a representative from the international

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community. Later in the parliamentary sittings, he launched a series of attacks against the Chinese and Hong Kong authorities. He also served as vice president of the Parliament's Subcommittee on International Human Rights, voting to support the condemnation against China on a bill concerning Uyghurs in Xinjiang and seeking to sanction government officials from China and Hong Kong. **As a result, Chiu was named by the Chinese government in the counter-sanction list in 2021, prohibiting him from entering Chinese territory.**

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