- 1. It should be noted that I whole heartedly support this bill.
- 2. I consider that 1 day every 4 years is ridiculous; I suggest that it would be more appropriate that four days every year be designated as possible days on which referendums could be held. (As is the case in Switzerland.)
- 3. I suggest that 1% of the voters is too large of a hurdle. Currently that would be approximately 145,000 voters that is many more than the total membership of any Political Party that has all of the say on what legislation is tabled in our Parliament.
- 4. I suggest that 13 months to collect signatures to a petition is sufficient and propose that two years would be more appropriate.
- 5. I suggest that any "application fee" if it is necessary at all, should be prescribed in the Legislation that it should be expressed as a multiple of male total average weekly earnings (MTAWE) (so that it remains appropriate over time) that it should be funded if the referendum is successful on the basis that the proposer has obviously performed a public service.