

Canada runs out of time for assisted death law

The Canadian government yesterday acknowledged it would miss a court-imposed deadline to bring in a law allowing medically-assisted death, and predicted many sick patients would have trouble finding doctors willing to help end their lives.

The topic prompted a political debate that dragged out for so long that the final version of the draft legislation is not ready. It could be months before a law is adopted and even then, legal challenges are likely.

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