

Un'analisi bioetica dell'ordinanza della Corte costituzionale sul caso Cappato

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A Bioethical Analysis of the Constitutional Court's Decision on the Cappato Case

Abstract: Differently from the Canadian Constitutional Court, the Italian Court didn't issue any specific directions to the Parliament to legislate for making possible voluntary death (assisted suicide and euthanasia). The Court envisages different solutions, including the permission of euthanasia. From the conceptual point of view the Court's analysis depends on the fact that the Court accepts the substantive equivalence between killing and letting die, but does not use the distinction between biological and biographical life.

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