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Attn: Law Amendment Committee

RE: Bill 108, Financial Measures Act

My name is Bernadette Serbu. I am 45 years old, and a wife and Mother of two children. I spent most of my life working in the financial industry. I was constantly telling my children they can be whatever they want to be in life, and to do what makes them happy. I realized that I wasn't taking my own advice.

With the support of my husband, I left my 15 year career to do what I always wanted to do. Become an actor. Over the course of about a year, I took many acting classes. Yes. There are people here in Nova Scotia who teach acting classes. Classes on how to audition, classes on preparing your acting resume, classes on how your headshot should look, voice acting classes, stage fighting classes, I could go on and on.

I started going for auditions. I even landed a couple of commercials. I was lucky enough to get a meeting with the top talent agent in the business. Her name is Ciel Crosby. Maybe you've heard of her. Her company's name is Sky Talent Group, which she built from scratch. Within a year of being a client of Sky Talent, I got my first two credits and was able to join Actra.

I took a risk and followed my dream! I took a risk because there was opportunity here! Please don't take away my opportunity! Please don't take away the livelihood of my Agent, Ciel Crosby. Please don't take away the livelihood of all those people who teach acting classes, auditioning classes, voice acting classes, etc.

Most importantly; please don't make me tell my children I was wrong when I told them they could be whatever they want to be in life, and to do what makes them happy.

Sincerely,

Bernadette Serbu

Nova Scotia Actor