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To: Office of the Legislative Counsel
Subject: How the changes of the FTC will affect me

To Your Honours;

I'm a happy resident of Nova Scotia and want to stay so.

I'm also a former film/tv industry member and continue to support this very successful, local industry.

It is of extreme importance to me for many reasons that I beg you to keep this community intact.

Even though I am no longer an official member of the industry, having spent a number of years in it, these people are my friends and family.

Along with being friends and family, more than 60 percent of my business comes directly from or by referrals these beautiful and creative people honour me with.

On April 9, 2015 I lost a number of clients that were intending to buy or sell properties.

Should this community have to disperse to other provinces or countries, it will no longer be a province I wish to live in.

Sure, I can create new networks or move to another province, but why should I have to?

It would be taking clients from other realtors already established in those areas.

I must add, I am appalled by the opinion of my former colleagues being considered spoiled and living a celebrity's lifestyle.

Finding housing for them or selling their present homes, I can assure you, they are not the elite of Halifax as some may think.

I have worked in the capacity of a realtor to award winning actors, directors, producers and many crew members and I can tell you, none of them have been buying any mansions BUT they sure are paying a large amount of property taxes.

Please, please, PLEASE, support this industry and keep the Nova Scotia that I love and adore thriving in this vibrant and oh so prosperous area of film and television.

And in closing, it is in my humble opinion that in passing the changes proposed on April 9, 2015 during the reading of the budget, we will be killing our provinces best ambassador to the global stage.

With such sincerity and much respect,

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