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**From:** Urban Surf Kings USK for short [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 05, 2018 4:24 PM  
**To:** Office of the Legislative Counsel  
**Subject:** Law Amendments Committee: Bill 72

Dear Law Amendments Committee,

This new Legislation (Bill 72) eliminates the voices of over 50 democratically elected women, 7 representatives of the Mi'kmaq people, and 7 representatives of African Nova Scotians. This is a huge step backwards for women and minority rights. It limits the voices of those who have fought for years to be heard. Whether or not this was the planned outcome of this Legislation is not the point. The point is that this is the outcome. If this was not considered in drawing up this Legislation, it shows that the Government is blind to the institutionalized sexism and institutionalized racism. Replacing those displaced with a 15 member advisory panel does not address the number of voices silenced. Changes must be made to remedy this.

Sincerely,  
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