Dear Mr. Porter

I am writing to you as Minister of Lands and Forests, to let you know that I am very concerned about Bill 4. I own 250 acres in Colchester County. I use my land now for firewood and lumber for my sawmill. If Bill 4 passes, I am worried that government will try to tell me what I can or cannot do with my own land. My family has owned a woodlot for 40 years, we pay our taxes and take care of our land.

I want you to know that I don't want government telling me what I can and can not do with my land. I don't want activists on my property looking for certain plants and animals, declaring they must be protected and shutting down activity. I let my neighbours on my property to enjoy themselves on trails or in the woods. Bill 24 will force me to limit all access on my land so that I don't risk having activists finding a reason to shut it down.

This act is not voluntary - there are triggers in the Act that will allow a Minister, under pressure from activists, to issue an order limiting what I can or cannot do with my land.

Bill 4 threatens the peaceful enjoyment of my land and must not become law.

Thank you,

Gordon McCabe,

private woodlet owner

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