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## Re: Concerns Regarding Bills 1 and 6

I am deeply concerned about the direction of this government, which appears increasingly autocratic and dismissive of public input. Bills 1 and 6 raise serious concerns about transparency, accountability, and environmental protection.

**Bill 1** grants the government excessive control, threatening academic freedom and limiting public oversight. It lacks clear justification and erodes trust in governance. I urge you to reconsider its implications.

**Bill 6** lifts bans on fracking and uranium exploration without public consultation, including with the Mi'kmaq. These bans were based on expert advice and public concern over water contamination and environmental risks. Fracking poses significant threats to groundwater, increases earthquake risks, and contradicts global climate goals. Uranium mining risks long-term contamination without clear economic benefits. Instead of leaning on outdated resource extraction models, the government should focus on sustainable industries like renewable energy, agriculture, and tourism.

Nova Scotia needs leadership that prioritizes ecosystem health, transparency, and long-term economic stability over short-term industrial gains. I urge you to amend Bills 1 and 6 and reconsider your approach to environmental and economic policy.

Sincerely,

