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Good afternoon,

There have been a number of bills tabled that are concerning for those who value our provinces democratic and environmental checks and balances.

During periods of crisis, it is common for power plays to be made to exploit confusion for economic gain. Instead of responding to the challenges we face in real time, it appears that this government seeks to push through bills that will favour the desires of the rich over the needs of the citizens. Chipping away at our environmental protections against fracking and uranium mining is not in the best interest of the province, just those who wish to exploit natural resources in the short-term, leaving us to hold the bag once they take what they want. Cleaning drinking water is the most important resource we have, and must be protected at all costs.

Also concerning is the attempts to dictate teaching and research scopes within universities, which our province has many highly reputed schools that contribute significantly to our economic, political and social well-being. This cannot be viewed from any other lens than authoritative, reflecting the far right wing politics that this progressive conservative governments would like us to believe is not their aim.

This government has been responsive to the calls of the public when proposed legislation has been viewed as harmful to the common good. This is what we expect from a duly elected governing body in a democratic system. However, the attack against 'special interest groups' within your internal communication shows us how you may really feel about democracy in action. We are not the enemy, positioning us as such is in bad faith.

Nova Scotians are loyal, strong and hardworking. We expect our leaders to reflect these traits so that we may all share in a more prosperous, healthy and sustainable future for all.

Thank you for your time  
Emily  
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