From:

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Sent:

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To:

Office of the Legislative Counsel

Subject:

Bill 75 Law admendments committee

Dear Law amendments committee, my name is William King and I am a grade 12 high school student residing in the riding of Victoria- The Lakes. I would like to express my disgust for this bill. As a current student I see firsthand every day the time and effort teachers put in every day. Without teachers I would not have the public speaking skills I have today, I would not have the desire to be engaged in my community like I am today. Without the efforts of teachers I would not have decided to become an ambassador working with my school's international students. I would not now be trained to know the warning signs of culture shock, I would not have learned my passion for international affairs. Without the efforts of teachers I would not have travelled to Ottawa last may where I was able to meet the High commissioners from Britain and Trinidad and Tobago to Canada, I would not have debated in the senate, or participated in a model Commonwealth Heads Of Government Meeting. Without teachers my life would be on a much different track. We as a province need engaged youth, we need bright minds Like Kenzi Donnelly and Manuel Moncayo-Adams. This bill damages the relations between teachers and the government. We need an honest conversation between the government and the teachers. 9 teachers are not enough when the needs vary vastly from east to west and especially in rural to urban center. Different boards have different needs and there should be several representatives on this council from each. Although truly we do not need to spend money on this council when already teachers have expressed what changes need to be made. The government claims there is no "no fail" policy, there may not be a policy on paper but there is pressure from the principals and the school boards to push forward students. I could go on listing the flaws in this bill and in the honorable minister's claims that are visible upon inspection to a 17 year old but I will end by saying: This bill and bills like it have been twice proven to be unconstitutional and I simply cannot support a bill like this or an MLA or Government who would so boldly put this forward in such blatant disrespect for our country's judicial system and constitution.