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Dear Members of the Law Amendments Committee,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to Bill No. 1 and Resolution 5, both of which pose serious risks to transparency, accountability, and public trust in our legislative process. These proposed changes undermine fundamental democratic principles and weaken critical safeguards that exist to ensure responsible governance.

Bill No. 1 represents a dangerous step toward reduced oversight and unchecked executive power. By limiting key mechanisms for public and legislative scrutiny, this bill threatens to erode government accountability. The citizens of Nova Scotia deserve a government that operates with transparency, not behind closed doors.

Resolution 5 further compounds these issues by attempting to stifle dissent and public engagement. Policies that hinder legislative oversight, limit debate, or restrict transparency do not serve the people of Nova Scotia—they serve only those who wish to govern without accountability. This resolution sets a troubling precedent that cannot be ignored.

I urge the Law Amendments Committee to reject Bill No. 1 and Resolution 5 in their entirety. The people of Nova Scotia expect and demand legislation that upholds democratic integrity, ensures accountability, and prioritizes public interest over political convenience.

I ask that this email be included in the official record of public opposition to these legislative changes. I would also appreciate confirmation of receipt and any information regarding opportunities for public input on this matter.

Sincerely, Meagan Kelly,