

May 8, 2018

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Re: Your request for access to information under Part II of the *Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act* [Our File #: FIN-54-2018]

On April 12, 2018, the Department of Finance received your access to information request for the following:

“Re: imposition of 15% tax on insurance premiums by the NL Government adopted in the 2016 Budget.

(a) Amount of revenue collected on insurance premiums since implemented on June 30, 2016.
(b) Amount of revenue collected on insurance premiums with a Health/Retiree Benefits component.”

The Department of Finance is pleased to inform you that your request has been granted and is as follows:

- The total amount collected by the Provincial Government of Newfoundland and Labrador for the 15% RST tax on insurance premiums from its inception to April 26, 2018, is \$194,271,804.
- It is important to note however, for part (b) of your request, the Department does not collect information respecting the different types of policy coverages. This information is not required to administer the program on a daily basis. This information would only be considered if an audit was conducted to ensure the tax has been imposed and collected as required by the Revenue Administration Act.

Please be advised that you may ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review the processing of your access request, as set out in section 42 of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act (the Act). A request to the Commissioner must be made in writing within 15 business days of the date of this letter or within a longer period that may be allowed by the Commissioner. The address and contact information of the Information and Privacy Commissioner is as follows:

Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner
2 Canada Drive
P. O. Box 13004, Stn. A
St. John's, NL. A1B 3V8

Telephone: (709) 729-6309
Toll-Free: 1-877-729-6309
Facsimile: (709) 729-6500

You may also appeal directly to the Supreme Court Trial Division within 15 business days after you receive the decision of the public body, pursuant to section 52 of the Act.

Please be advised that this response will be published following a 72-hour period after the response is sent electronically to you or five business days in the case where records are mailed to you. It is the goal to have the response posted to the Completed Access to Information Requests website within one business day following the applicable period of time. Please note that requests for personal information will not be posted online.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned by telephone at 709-729-2082, or by email at bethbartlett@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,



Beth Bartlett
ATIPP Coordinator