November 17, 2015

Dear [REDACTED],

Re: Your request for access to information under Part II of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act [HCS/060/2015]

On October 30, 2015, the Department of Health and Community Services (the Department) received your request for access to the following records/information:

"I am seeking a copy of the draft legislation that Minister Kent has referenced in media which is apparently ready for introduction to the House of Assembly concerning Secure Treatment and Detox for Youth."

The Department has reviewed your request in the context of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act (the Act) and has determined that access to these records have been refused in accordance with the following exceptions to disclosure, as specified in the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act (the Act):

s.27(1) In this sections, "cabinet record" means ...

(b) draft legislation or regulations submitted or prepared for submission to the Cabinet;

...

27(2) The head of a public body shall refuse to disclose to an applicant (a) a cabinet record

...

Please be advised that you may appeal this decision and ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review the decision to provide partial access to the requested information, as set out in section 42 of the Act (a copy of this section of the Act has been enclosed for your reference). 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. Your appeal should identify your concerns with the request and why you are submitting the appeal.
The appeal may be addressed to the Information and Privacy Commissioner 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 (a copy of this section of the Act has been enclosed for your reference).

Please be advised that responsive records 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 responsive records posted to the Office of Public Engagement's 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 contact the undersigned by telephone at 709-729-7007 or by email at angelapower@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

Angela Power
ATIPP Coordinator