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Honourable David B. Orsborn
Committee Chair
Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act
Statutory Review 2020
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Dear Mr. Orsborn:

Thank you for your letter dated September 29, 2020 regarding your review of the *Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act, 2015* (ATIPPA, 2015).

I have canvassed my staff as well as the entities which report to me. Please note that, based upon the feedback I have received, the current legislation is working as intended. As such, the Department of Immigration, Skills and Labour recommends no changes to the current legislation and has no comment regarding the other issues associated with the legislation as listed in your Terms of Reference.

With respect to my role as Minister Responsible for Workplace NL, the only issue identified pertains to Schedule A of the legislation. Workplace NL has determined that there are sufficient protections in ATIPPA, 2015 and section 18 of the *Workplace Health, Safety and Compensation Act* no longer needs to prevail per section 7.(2) of ATIPPA, 2015. As such, section t of Schedule A can be removed.

The opportunity to provide input was greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



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