

ARCS: 292-30 File: PSS-2018-87590

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Sent via email:

Re: Request for Access to Records
Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPPA)

I am writing further to your request received by the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General. Your request is for:

Any and all briefing notes, reports and data on inmate transfers between provincial correctional centres, including: the number of transfers per year over the last 5 years including the originating and receiving institutions; the policy on transfers, including the issue of safety and security for both inmates and correctional officers; and details of and statistics documenting the number of incident reports filed related to inmate transfers. (Date Range for Record Search: From 09/01/2013 To 11/27/2018)

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. Some information has been withheld pursuant to section 15 (Disclosure harmful to law enforcement) of FOIPPA. A complete copy of FOIPPA is available online at:

http://www.bclaws.ca/civix/document/id/complete/statreg/96165 00

BC Corrections advise that security policies and procedures are considered highly confidential and are not released publicly as they help to ensure the safety of staff and inmates.

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Fax: 250 387-9843

The Ministry has also provided the following website that may have information that you may find useful and is available publicly at:

https://catalogue.data.gov.bc.ca/dataset/custody-centre-inmate-transfers-demographics

Your file is now closed.

These records will be published on the BC Government's Open Information website a minimum of five business days after release. To find out more about Open Information, please access the Open Information website at: www.gov.bc.ca/openinformation

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Elizabeth Horn, the analyst assigned to your request, at 250 387-9172. This number can be reached toll-free by calling from Vancouver, 604 660-2421, or from elsewhere in BC, 1 800 663-7867 and asking to be transferred to 250 387-9172.

You have the right to ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review this decision. I have enclosed information on the review and complaint process.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Horn, FOI Specialist

On behalf of Cindy Kukucska, Manager

Justice / Social Team, Information Access Operations

Enclosures

How to Request a Review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner

If you have any questions regarding your request please contact the analyst assigned to your file. The analyst's name and telephone number are listed in the attached letter.

Pursuant to section 52 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FOIPPA), you may ask the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review any decision, act, or failure to act with regard to your request under FOIPPA.

Please note that you have 30 business days to file your review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner. In order to request a review please write to:

Information and Privacy Commissioner
PO Box 9038 Stn Prov Govt
4th Floor, 947 Fort Street
Victoria BC V8W 9A4
Telephone 250 387-5629 Fax 250 387-1696

If you request a review, please provide the Commissioner's Office with:

- 1. A copy of your original request;
- 2. A copy of our response; and
- 3. The reasons or grounds upon which you are requesting the review.