

**From:** [Wolsey, Ashley AEST:EX](#)  
**To:** [Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX](#)  
**Subject:** FW: MLA Request - Regional Trades Training Center (Spartan Scaffolding)  
**Date:** February 14, 2018 10:11:16 AM  
**Attachments:** [Spartan Scaffolding.docx](#)  
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Hi Christina,

Please see the attached bullets. Let me know if you need anything else.

Thanks!

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**From:** Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX  
**Sent:** Monday, February 5, 2018 12:28 PM  
**To:** Smollett, Debbie AEST:EX  
**Subject:** Constituent request - Regional Trades Training Center - Spartan Scaffolding

Hi Debbie,

Catching up on a few requests that came through last week. This comes through the Kootenay East Office.

Reading through the correspondence, this Scaffolding company is looking to build a training centre independently. They are not going to partner with a college or go through a rural dividend grant.

MLA Shypitka was inquiring to see if there is any other support/programs/grants that our Ministry could offer for independent skills/trades training centres.

This request got stuck in JTT as they were trying to figure out jurisdiction so the MLA has been waiting for a reply for about a month. If there's any way to get information to him this week that would be really great.

Thank you!  
Christina

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**From:** Ranjan, Ramesh JTT:EX  
**Sent:** Friday, February 2, 2018 11:38 AM  
**To:** Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX  
**Subject:** Fwd: Regional Trades Training Center - Spartan Scaffolding

Hi Christina,

Here's another one that I've been notified by staff it transferred over to AEST. Can you look into it and reply to Heather?

It came in at the beginning of last month and I've just emailed Heather to let her know that we're still looking into it!

Thanks,  
Ramesh

**Ramesh Ranjan**

Executive Assistant to the Honourable Bruce Ralston,  
Minister of Jobs, Trade and Technology  
Ph: [604-220-5303](tel:604-220-5303)

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Smith, Heather LASS:EX" <[Heather.Smith@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Heather.Smith@leg.bc.ca)>  
**Date:** January 3, 2018 at 1:41:40 PM PST  
**To:** "Ranjan, Ramesh JTT:EX" <[Ramesh.Ranjan@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ramesh.Ranjan@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: Regional Trades Training Center - Spartan Scaffolding

Colin is interested if there is any help through the provincial government to help with this type of training centre.



**Heather Smith**

Constituency Assistant  
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302 535 Victoria Ave N.,  
Cranbrook, British Columbia V1C6S3  
Office: 1 877 417 6022  
Fax : (250) 417-6026  
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**From:** Ranjan, Ramesh JTT:EX [<mailto:Ramesh.Ranjan@gov.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 3, 2018 2:17 PM  
**To:** Smith, Heather <[Heather.Smith@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Heather.Smith@leg.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Re: Regional Trades Training Center - Spartan Scaffolding

Hi Heather,

Thanks for sending this over. I have read through the emails from Mr. Sinclair.

Just to clarify - what is the request from Mr. Sinclair? Is he looking for assistance in some way?

Thanks in advance for the clarification.

Sincerely,  
Ramesh

**Ramesh Ranjan**

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Minister of Jobs, Trade and Technology  
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On Jan 3, 2018, at 1:06 PM, Smith, Heather <[Heather.Smith@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Heather.Smith@leg.bc.ca)> wrote:

Good Afternoon Ramesh

Tom has asked that I forward Colin Sinclair's information to you. Colin's contact information is below.

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**Heather Smith**

Constituency Assistant  
Tom Shypitka, MLA  
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Hello Tom,

I am just writing to fill you in on update of the regional training center. We decided not to go ahead with the application for the Rural Dividend Grant.

Instead we are going to build the training center on our own and have it ready for Fall 2018.

We met with the High School who are really keen to see this done and are writing an endorsement letter.

We also have endorsement letters from industry.

Anything you can do to help who be deeply appreciated.

Regards,

Colin

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**From:** Colin Sinclair [<mailto:colin@spartanscaffolding.ca>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 30, 2017 10:04 AM  
**To:** Shypitka, Tom <[s.17](mailto:s.17)>; Smith, Heather  
<[Heather.Smith@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Heather.Smith@leg.bc.ca)>  
**Cc:** 'Kevin Dyer' <[kevin@highpointplumbing.ca](mailto:kevin@highpointplumbing.ca)>  
**Subject:** Rural Dividend Grant

Hello Tom & Heather,

Hey everyone, hope day finds you well!

We are working diligently on our proposal and grant writing prior to submission.

Wanted to update you where we are at.

The college is not applying for this grant, FYI.

Also we are focusing on trades training, specifically plumbing and heating and scaffolding.

The four partners in this venture are ?aq'am Community Enterprises (they will be submitting the proposal), Spartan Scaffolding (partners with ?aq'am), High Point Plumbing & Heating, and Stillwater Consulting Ltd.

The hi-lights we are trying to do is:

- 1) Identify and address the gap from formal training to the workplace so workers are more prepared for the work they do in our area
- 2) Increase pool of skilled workers in the area for employers in trades
- 3) Create a sustainable workforce that will reduce employers burden of training and expenses
  - a. Typical 4 years for new plumber to work side by side to comprehend work that is needed to be done in the Kootenay's
  - b. Increase ability to retain employees and our youth in the area
- 4) Create a foundation for economic growth

Attached is sample outline for both industries and once we have more info will pass along. The curriculum is being built currently with many modules already complete.



We hope to have your support in this venture!

Thank you for your time,

Regards,

Colin

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**From:** [Smollett, Debbie AEST:EX](#)  
**To:** [Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX](#)  
**Subject:** FW: MLA Request: Constituent request - Tax receipts for government training program  
**Date:** February 6, 2018 1:28:41 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Hi Christina...I checked in with staff at LMID and they advise that the participant likely received a training wage of \$350/wk over the 12 weeks he was in the course (\$4200). He should have received a T4A from Horton Ventures for this amount and then included it as taxable income when submitting his taxes with the CRA.

WorkBC Services Centre  
281 1ST Avenue North, Williams Lake, BC  
Phone: (250) 398-5133 / Fax: (250) 398-5103 / Toll Free: 1-866-392-3189  
Email: [inquiries@hortonventures.com](mailto:inquiries@hortonventures.com)

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Hope this helps.

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**From:** Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX  
**Sent:** Monday, February 5, 2018 12:32 PM  
**To:** Smollett, Debbie AEST:EX  
**Subject:** Constituent request - Tax receipts for government training program

Hi Debbie,

Another request through JTT. I don't know much about the Targeted Initiative for Older Workers, I would love more info about how the program works in general.

This particular constituent is having a tax related issue and is not sure how the funding was actually allocated. Is this something we can help with?

This issue is not as time sensitive.

Thanks!  
Christina

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**From:** Ranjan, Ramesh JTT:EX  
**Sent:** Friday, February 2, 2018 11:34 AM  
**To:** Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX  
**Subject:** Fwd: Tax receipts for government training program

Hi Christina,

Great to see you again this week! I've got a constituent from Minister Mungall's office who is looking for information regarding a program that transferred over to AEST, according to our staff.

Can you look into this and reply to Laurie? Feel free to CC me in the reply as I'd love to see it through.

Ramesh

**Ramesh Ranjan**

Executive Assistant to the Honourable Bruce Ralston,  
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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Langille, Laurie K LASS:EX" <[Laurie.Langille@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Laurie.Langille@leg.bc.ca)>  
**Date:** January 30, 2018 at 1:16:48 PM PST  
**To:** "Ranjan, Ramesh JTT:EX" <[Ramesh.Ranjan@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ramesh.Ranjan@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Tax receipts for government training program

Hello Ramesh,

I have a constituent who participated in the Targeted Initiative for Older Workers (TLOW) program in Williams Lake in 2015. He has been told that he needs to provide the CRA a receipt for the training he received from his WorkBC training provider so that they stop taking the money off of his Old Age Pension payments.

Could you please help me find out how that program works? Since it was a Federal-Provincial governments funded program, wouldn't they have paid the WorkBC provider directly? Or are the funds allocated to the beneficiary as a taxable income, which my constituent claims the CRA is telling him (and that he has to pay it back)?

Please call me if you require further information. Thanks very much.

Sincerely,



**Laurie Langille**  
Constituency Assistant to the  
**Hon. Michelle Mungall**  
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**From:** [Chandi, Serena AEST:EX](#)  
**To:** [La Rose, Yael AEST:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [Lust, Monica AEST:EX](#); [Schwan, Marianne AEST:EX](#); [Smollett, Debbie AEST:EX](#); [Wolsey, Ashley AEST:EX](#); [Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX](#)  
**Subject:** FW: MO Request - Constituent casework re: Student Aid BC  
**Date:** February 6, 2018 4:02:25 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Hi Yael,

I've forwarded your e-mail below to our student claims officer to provide a few bullets regarding our branch and our process for student complaints.

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Serena Chandi  
Director of Policy and Strategic Planning  
Private Training Institutions Branch  
Ministry of Advanced Education, Skills and Training  
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**From:** Schwan, Marianne AEST:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 6, 2018 3:39 PM  
**To:** Chandi, Serena AEST:EX  
**Cc:** Lust, Monica AEST:EX  
**Subject:** FW: MO Request - Constituent casework re: Student Aid BC

Hi Serena ~ Monica is offline at the moment according to Lync, so can you confirm that this sort of request would normally go to you? Or would this go directly to Ian or Cindy to prepare a few bullets?

Marianne Schwan  
Director, Regulation

Private Training Institutions Branch  
Ministry of Advanced Education, Skills and Training  
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P: 604-569-0033 | D: 604-569-0019 | F: 778-945-0606 | Toll Free: 1-800-661-7441  
privatetraininginstitutions.gov.bc.ca

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**From:** La Rose, Yael AEST:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 6, 2018 3:33 PM  
**To:** Lust, Monica AEST:EX; Schwan, Marianne AEST:EX  
**Subject:** Fw: MO Request - Constituent casework re: Student Aid BC

Hi Monica, Marianne:

Are you able to provide a few bullets back to me for the DMO on the complaint below?

Thanks,  
Yael

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**From:** Smollett, Debbie AEST:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 06, 2018 3:18 PM  
**To:** Wolsey, Ashley AEST:EX; La Rose, Yael AEST:EX  
**Subject:** MO Request - Constituent casework re: Student Aid BC

Yael...see highlighted below, can you provide a few bullets back to us?  
Ashley...believe the rest is I&P?

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**From:** Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 6, 2018 1:36 PM  
**To:** Smollett, Debbie AEST:EX  
**Cc:** Wolsey, Ashley AEST:EX  
**Subject:** Constituent casework re: Student Aid BC

Hi folks, I spoke with this constituent direct regarding her current situation with SABC.

Name: s.22  
DOB: s.22

Current situation – s.22 tells me:

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Background:

- s.22



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s.22 ideal outcome is that she would like to have her loan forgiven in its entirety.

If that is not possible, she would like some more information on RAP-PD (I have that here and will share it with her <https://studentaidbc.ca/repay/repayment-help/repayment-assistance-plan-borrowers-permanent-disability>)

Would program staff be able to see if she has already applied for repayment assistance? s.22  
s.22

s.22 I'm not sure if there is a way to permanently apply for RAP-PD.  
She may need an advocate to help her fill out regular paperwork, and I can try and connect her with this resource.

I would also like to suggest she file a complaint against the institution (I think through the Private Training institutions Branch at 1-800-661-7441 – s.22

Is there any policy that forgives a portion of payment if the student s.22 ?  
I'm not aware of this.

Thanks very much for helping me clarify this situation with s.22

Christina Rzepa  
Executive Assistant to Hon. Melanie Mark  
Minister for Advanced Education, Skills and Training  
Room 133 Parliament Buildings  
Cell: s.17

**From:** [Wolsey, Ashley AEST:EX](#)  
**To:** [Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX](#)  
**Subject:** FW: MO Request for Direct Reply - Constituent inquiry re: Power Engineers certification  
**Date:** February 19, 2018 10:32:13 AM  
**Attachments:** [FW Ministry of Advnaced Education Skills and Training - Power Engineering Certification.msg](#)

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Hi Chris,

Please see the attached email. Staff have reached out to **s.22** and have not been able to reach him.

Thank you,  
Ashley

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**From:** Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 6, 2018 4:13 PM  
**To:** Smollett, Debbie AEST:EX  
**Subject:** Constituent inquiry re: Power Engineers certification

Hi Debbie,

Here's an inquiry through Minister Donaldson's office, regarding trades certification. Folks up North would like Power Engineering to be recognized as a trade eligible for Work BC program funding. Apparently there's a lot of demand for this trade.

In the attachment, they ask about Red Seal certification – I don't think it's as simple as us just saying "yes this is now a red seal trade", there is a process to follow.

I think in this case it would be great to have **Ministry staff write a letter or contact the constituent directly, it's a bit more of a technical issue. But I would appreciate a summary of the conversation I can share with Minister Donaldson's staff.**

The constituent is **s.22**

Thanks!  
Christina

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**From:** Jones, Tristan FLNR:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 6, 2018 3:34 PM  
**To:** Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX  
**Subject:** RE: **s.22**

Hi Christina,

Here is the attachment. I think it has the context you're looking for. If not, let me know.

Thanks!  
Tristan

On Feb 6, 2018, at 10:26 AM, Jones, Tristan FLNR:EX <[Tristan.Jones@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Tristan.Jones@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Hi Ramesh,

Can you give me any information regarding why the Work BC does not consider Power Engineer as a trade, and any potential remedies?

See attached.

Thank you,

Tristan Jones  
Executive Assistant to the  
**Honourable Doug Donaldson**  
Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development  
t 778.584.4285 f 250.387.1040

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 31, 2018 3:47 PM  
**To:** Jones, Tristan FLNR:EX  
**Subject:** Fwd: s.22

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**From:** s.22

**Date:** January 31, 2018 at 9:23:56 AM PST

**To:** s.22

**Cc:**

**Subject:** s.22

<Red Seal Program.pdf>

**From:** [Wolsey, Ashley AEST:EX](#)  
**To:** [Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Update: constituent request - Creative Corner film industry career development initiative for Northern BC  
**Date:** February 22, 2018 3:09:48 PM  
**Attachments:** [image003.png](#)

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Hi Christina,

I apologize for the delay. Please see the bullets below.

**Summary:**

- April 2017, Mr. Norman Coyne, on behalf of UNLTD Media & Events, requested funding (\$20K) for the creation of Creative Corner, a module under their larger event, Northern FanCon (May 5, 6 & 7, 2017 in Prince George)
- UNLTD Media & Events provided the introduction of Creative Corner as a new youth component to Northern FanCon
- Focus was to increase the presence of local Indigenous and mainstream youth to build awareness of local industry jobs in high tech, digital media and physical production crews with an emphasis on the trades.
- In May 2017 the Labour Market and Information Division confirmed \$20K for the initiative -- amount was paid under the Ministry of Jobs Trades, Skills and Training and Minister responsible for Labour in June 2017.
- For this year's funding, the Tourism & Creative Sectors Division contacted Mr. Coyne in early February and advised him of the opportunity to pursue funding for Northern FanCon 2018 through Creative BC, which provides funding for industry events through their Industry Initiatives Program: <https://www.creativebc.com/programs/industry-initiatives>
- Mr. Coyne has since been in touch with Creative BC's program staff, and he is currently working on an application for their consideration
- This year's request has increased to \$30K to support the addition of a Young Women in Film panel discussion and Youth Film contest.
- LMID connected with Mr. Coyne on February 21, 2018 and it was confirmed he is still finalizing his application - he has appreciated the advice and direction from both ministries.

**Next steps:**

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- Recommend LMID wait for a decision from Creative BC's Industry Initiatives Program before offering any funding support for Northern FanCon 2018.
- Tourism, Culture and the Arts have drafted a response to MLA Shirley Bond's correspondence, offering an update on communications with Norm Coyne -- letter currently in approvals.

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**From:** Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX  
**Sent:** Monday, February 5, 2018 12:39 PM  
**To:** Smollett, Debbie AEST:EX  
**Subject:** constituent request - Creative Corner film industry career development initiative for Northern BC



Hi Debbie,

Last one for today – another request **s.22**  
**s.22**

This media + events company is looking for continued support for an event up north. More details below – are you able to check with the LMID program staff and see if this funding is on the books again for this year, or how the company can apply again?

Thanks!  
Christina

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**From:** Ranjan, Ramesh JTT:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 30, 2018 4:41 PM  
**To:** Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX  
**Subject:** Fwd: Creative Corner film industry career development initiative for Northern BC

Hi Christina,

Hope you're doing well. **s.22** . It's  
film industry funding. I've checked with JTT staff and they advise that it was paid in June 2017 out of LMID (Corporate Initiatives and Stakeholder Relations, which transferred to AEST).

Can you look into this?

Sincerely,  
Ramesh

**Ramesh Ranjan**

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**To:** "Minister, JTT JTT:EX" <[JTT.Minister@gov.bc.ca](mailto:JTT.Minister@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Cc:** "McColl, John-Michael JTT:EX" <[JohnMichael.McColl@gov.bc.ca](mailto:JohnMichael.McColl@gov.bc.ca)>, "Jang, Monica JTT:EX" <[Monica.Jang@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Monica.Jang@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Creative Corner film industry career development initiative for Northern BC

This initiative was funded by the former JTST ministry and not through CreativeBC. Notes below.

Seeking direction on this as they are asking for provincial support again.

Thanks,  
Ramesh

**Ramesh Ranjan**

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**Date:** January 23, 2018 at 1:52:22 PM PST  
**To:** "Ranjan, Ramesh JTT:EX" <[Ramesh.Ranjan@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ramesh.Ranjan@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** FW: Creative Corner film industry career development initiative for Northern BC

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**From:** Carreras, Korleen TAC:EX [<mailto:Korleen.Carreras@gov.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** January 23, 2018 1:27 PM  
**To:** Ralston.MLA, Bruce <[Bruce.Ralston.MLA@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Bruce.Ralston.MLA@leg.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: Creative Corner film industry career development initiative for Northern BC

Wade,

Please see below information in response to your inquiry.

It looks like Minister Bond did provide \$20K in funding from JTST for this event last year. Here is the news release:  
<https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2017JTST0087-000654>

The funding was not expended through our (TAC) program budgets. \$20,000 was paid from the Corporate Services account of the former Ministry of Jobs, Tourism and Skills Training to Norman Lawrence Coyne, through a contract. You may want to reach out to Ramish in JTT to see if he can track down the information through his office.

Our Ministry staff reached out to Creative BC (CrBC), which does fall under our ministry to see if they had previously funded this event. CrBC has not supported FanCon before. If the event is BC owned and controlled (or Canadian owned and controlled with a head office in BC), and they are hosting industry development initiatives, they would be eligible to apply for Industry Initiatives Funding.  
<https://www.creativebc.com/programs/industry-initiatives>

I hope this helps answer your question.

Korleen

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**Korleen Carreras**, Executive Assistant  
Minister's Office  
Ministry of Tourism, Arts & Culture, Responsible for  
Sport and Multiculturalism

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**From:** Ralston.MLA, Bruce [<mailto:Bruce.Ralston.MLA@leg.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** Friday, January 19, 2018 11:00 AM  
**To:** Carreras, Korleen TAC:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Creative Corner film industry career development initiative for Northern BC

Good Morning Karleen,

I was told you would be the best person to assist this person in their quest. If I have been steered in the wrong direction please direct me on the correct path.

Thank you

Ward

**Ward Kindlein** | Constituency Assistant  
Hon. Bruce Ralston, MLA for Surrey-Whalley  
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**From:** Norm Coyne [<mailto:normcoyne@unltd.me>]  
**Sent:** January 17, 2018 1:45 PM  
**To:** Ralston.MLA, Bruce <[Bruce.Ralston.MLA@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Bruce.Ralston.MLA@leg.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Creative Corner film industry career development initiative for Northern BC

Good Afternoon Minister Ralston,

I am following up on an earlier email I had sent regarding a unique

film industry career development initiative we are seeking provincial support for. Last year, we connected with MLA Shirley Bond regarding this program. I am looking for a direction on who I should be speaking to in regards to this very worthy rural film industry job fair/workshop series.

Any direction you could give me would be greatly appreciated.

Best Regards,

**Norm Coyne** | Owner/Director | UNLTD Media & Events  
1232 4th Avenue, Prince George BC  
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From: **Norm Coyne** <[normcoyne@unltd.me](mailto:normcoyne@unltd.me)>  
Date: Wed, Dec 20, 2017 at 10:24 AM  
Subject: Creative Corner film industry development initiative for Northern BC  
To: [bruce.ralston.MLA@leg.bc.ca](mailto:bruce.ralston.MLA@leg.bc.ca)

Good Morning Minister Ralston,

I am the event director of a very successful comic con/entertainment expo event in Prince George BC called Northern FanCon. Last year, we introduced a unique film industry development initiative for Northern BC called the Creative Corner at our event. It was extremely successful and we are hoping to continue this great work in 2018.

I have attached an explanation of the initiative and how we are reaching out for continued from the Ministry of Jobs, Trade and Technology.

Please feel free to contact me at your convenience to arrange a time to discuss. I sincerely appreciate your attention on our efforts and look forward to connecting.

Best Regards,

**Norm Coyne** | Owner/Director | UNLTD Media & Events

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**From:** [Smollett, Debbie AEST:EX](#)  
**To:** [Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [Wolsey, Ashley AEST:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Constituent casework re: Student Aid BC  
**Date:** February 6, 2018 3:17:41 PM

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Thanks, we can get some response points back to you directly that address her questions and options. If needed, we can then also connect her directly with staff.

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**From:** Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 6, 2018 1:36 PM  
**To:** Smollett, Debbie AEST:EX  
**Cc:** Wolsey, Ashley AEST:EX  
**Subject:** Constituent casework re: Student Aid BC

Hi folks, I spoke with this constituent direct regarding her current situation with SABC.

Name: s.22  
DOB: s.22

Current situation – s.22 tells me:

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Background:

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s.22 ideal outcome is that she would like to have her loan forgiven in its entirety.

If that is not possible, she would like some more information on RAP-PD (I have that here and will share it with her <https://studentaidbc.ca/repay/repayment-help/repayment-assistance-plan-borrowers-permanent-disability>)

Would program staff be able to see if she has already applied for repayment assistance? s.22  
s.22

s.22 I'm not sure if there is a way to permanently apply for RAP-PD.  
She may need an advocate to help her fill out regular paperwork, and I can try and connect her with this resource.

I would also like to suggest she file a complaint against the institution (I think through the Private Training institutions Branch at  
1-800-661-7441 – s.22

Is there any policy that forgives a portion of payment if the student s.22 ?  
I'm not aware of this.

Thanks very much for helping me clarify this situation with s.22 !

Christina Rzepa  
Executive Assistant to Hon. Melanie Mark  
Minister for Advanced Education, Skills and Training  
Room 133 Parliament Buildings  
Cell: s.17

**From:** [Fleming.MLA, Rob](#)  
**To:** [Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: **s.22** Consent Form  
**Date:** February 6, 2018 10:41:30 AM

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Hi Christina,

Thanks for sending the summary along. It matches my conversation. I really appreciate your help in getting in touch with Student Aid BC.

Thanks again!

Christine

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**From:** Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX [mailto:Christina.Rzepa@gov.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 6, 2018 10:40 AM  
**To:** Fleming.MLA, Rob <Rob.Fleming.MLA@leg.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** Re: **s.22** Consent Form

Hi Christine, did someone from Student Aid BC get in touch with you yesterday? I received a summary of information about this case:

- In this case, the student accepted the loan, by signing the Master Student Financial Assistance Agreement (MSFAA), and funds were disbursed accordingly.
- In light of this issue being brought to the attention of SABC, they have frozen the application to avoid further disbursements and **s.22** is able to arrange for repayment of the loan by contacting the National Student Loan Centre (1 888 815-4514).
- As there were concerns about the actions of the institution, staff also encourage **s.22** to consider making a complaint to the regulatory body, the Private Training institutions Branch (1-800-661-7441).

Does that match your conversation?

Looks like this has worked out for **s.22**, the loan is frozen and she is able to arrange for repayment. If she needs more information or support please let me know!

Thanks,  
Christina

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**From:** Fleming.MLA, Rob <[Rob.Fleming.MLA@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Rob.Fleming.MLA@leg.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** Monday, February 05, 2018 10:41 AM  
**To:** Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX

**Subject:** s.22

Consent Form

Hi Christina,

Thanks for your attention to this case. Here is a brief overview of her case:

- Wants: clarity on loan process and interest accumulation
- s.22 she should apply for loans because she would likely get grants instead
- s.22 did not receive any grants and couldn't communicate with Student Aid regarding cancelling her application afterwards
- She would like to cancel the loan as soon as possible and is able to pay it back within a year
- s.22 wants options for repayment and to see how the payments will work if it can be cancelled

I'm hoping to get Student Aid's insight into s.22 file, facilitate communication, and provide clarity to s.22

Thanks,

Christine Rousseau | Constituency Assistant | The Hon. Rob Fleming | MLA for Victoria-Swan Lake | 250-356-5022 | [Christine.rousseau@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Christine.rousseau@leg.bc.ca)

**From:** [Smollett, Debbie AEST:EX](#)  
**To:** [Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [Wolsey, Ashley AEST:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: **s.22** Consent Form  
**Date:** February 6, 2018 10:35:05 AM

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No worries, may have been some confusion on our end...staff may have connected with Christine then at the CO – this is why we typically ask staff work through our DMO so you get one point of contact and hopefully no confusion. Hopefully this one is on track...

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**From:** Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 6, 2018 10:34 AM  
**To:** Smollett, Debbie AEST:EX  
**Cc:** Wolsey, Ashley AEST:EX  
**Subject:** Re: **s.22** Consent Form

Thanks Debbie - I didn't actually speak to anyone from SABC though so this summary is great.

Christina Rzepa  
EA, Advanced Education, Skills and Training

On Feb 6, 2018, at 10:16 AM, Smollett, Debbie AEST:EX <[Debbie.Smollett@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Debbie.Smollett@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Hi Christina, I understand SABC staff spoke to you directly on this one yesterday to provide you with an overview of the Ministry's interaction with this client and respond to your questions.

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Let me know if there is any further information needed at this time.

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**From:** Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX  
**Sent:** Monday, February 5, 2018 11:07 AM  
**To:** Smollett, Debbie AEST:EX  
**Cc:** Wolsey, Ashley AEST:EX  
**Subject:** FW: **s.22** Consent Form

Hi folks,

I received a call from Minister Fleming's constituency office regarding a student aid BC matter.



Christine at the office first asked me last week if there was a direct MLA line to student aid BC – I was told there isn't really one, that they should call the main 1 800 line. Christine has tried a few times and unfortunately has been waiting for a call back for about a week – her constituent has been pressing as it's a time sensitive issue.

Is there any way we can get more information about this issue from the Student Aid folks to assist this constituent? Mostly she wants to try to cancel her loan ASAP and start repayment to avoid accumulating too much interest.

Much appreciated!  
Christina

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**From:** Fleming, MLA, Rob [<mailto:Rob.Fleming.MLA@leg.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 5, 2018 10:42 AM  
**To:** Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX  
**Subject:** s.22 Consent Form

Hi Christina,

Thanks for your attention to this case. Here is a brief overview of her case:

- Wants: clarity on loan process and interest accumulation
- s.22 she should apply for loans because she would likely get grants instead
- s.22 did not receive any grants and couldn't communicate with Student Aid regarding cancelling her application afterwards
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**From:** [Wolsey, Ashley AEST:EX](#)  
**To:** [Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: MLA Request - Regional Trades Training Center (Spartan Scaffolding)  
**Date:** February 14, 2018 10:38:54 AM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Bear with me, but my understanding is that usually with MLA inquiries direct to government, we provide the approved bullets to the MO (you ☺ )and then you relay the information to the MLA offices.

With that being said, I am more than happy to get a letter drafted and send it to you. Please let me know what works best for you!

Thanks

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**From:** Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 14, 2018 10:14 AM  
**To:** Wolsey, Ashley AEST:EX  
**Subject:** Re: MLA Request - Regional Trades Training Center (Spartan Scaffolding)

Thanks Ashley - as these bullets are essentially a letter from Gord do you think it would be possible to just put it on letterhead with his signature and I can pass it on to the scaffolding company? Or has it already been sent as a letter and this is just to loop back to the constituency office?

-Chris

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**From:** Wolsey, Ashley AEST:EX  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 14, 2018 10:11 AM  
**To:** Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX  
**Subject:** FW: MLA Request - Regional Trades Training Center (Spartan Scaffolding)

Hi Christina,

Please see the attached bullets. Let me know if you need anything else.

Thanks!

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**From:** Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX  
**Sent:** Monday, February 5, 2018 12:28 PM  
**To:** Smollett, Debbie AEST:EX  
**Subject:** Constituent request - Regional Trades Training Center - Spartan Scaffolding

Hi Debbie,

Catching up on a few requests that came through last week. This comes through the Kootenay East Office.

Reading through the correspondence, this Scaffolding company is looking to build a training centre independently. They are not going to partner with a college or go through a rural dividend grant.

MLA Shypitka was inquiring to see if there is any other support/programs/grants that our Ministry could offer for independent skills/trades training centres.

This request got stuck in JTT as they were trying to figure out jurisdiction so the MLA has been waiting for a reply for about a month. If there's any way to get information to him this week that would be really great.

Thank you!  
Christina

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**From:** Ranjan, Ramesh JTT:EX  
**Sent:** Friday, February 2, 2018 11:38 AM  
**To:** Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX  
**Subject:** Fwd: Regional Trades Training Center - Spartan Scaffolding

Hi Christina,

Here's another one that I've been notified by staff it transferred over to AEST. Can you look into it and reply to Heather?

It came in at the beginning of last month and I've just emailed Heather to let her know that we're still looking into it!

Thanks,  
Ramesh

**Ramesh Ranjan**

Executive Assistant to the Honourable Bruce Ralston,  
Minister of Jobs, Trade and Technology  
Ph: [604-220-5303](tel:604-220-5303)

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Smith, Heather LASS:EX" <[Heather.Smith@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Heather.Smith@leg.bc.ca)>  
**Date:** January 3, 2018 at 1:41:40 PM PST  
**To:** "Ranjan, Ramesh JTT:EX" <[Ramesh.Ranjan@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ramesh.Ranjan@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: Regional Trades Training Center - Spartan Scaffolding

Colin is interested if there is any help through the provincial government to help with this type of training centre.

**Heather Smith**  
Constituency Assistant  
Tom Shypitka, MLA



Kootenay East  
302 535 Victoria Ave N.,  
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**From:** Ranjan, Ramesh JTT:EX [<mailto:Ramesh.Ranjan@gov.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 3, 2018 2:17 PM  
**To:** Smith, Heather <[Heather.Smith@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Heather.Smith@leg.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Re: Regional Trades Training Center - Spartan Scaffolding

Hi Heather,

Thanks for sending this over. I have read through the emails from Mr. Sinclair.

Just to clarify - what is the request from Mr. Sinclair? Is he looking for assistance in some way?

Thanks in advance for the clarification.

Sincerely,  
Ramesh

**Ramesh Ranjan**

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Minister of Jobs, Trade and Technology  
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On Jan 3, 2018, at 1:06 PM, Smith, Heather <[Heather.Smith@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Heather.Smith@leg.bc.ca)> wrote:

Good Afternoon Ramesh

Tom has asked that I forward Colin Sinclair's information to you. Colin's contact information is below.

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**Heather Smith**  
Constituency Assistant

Tom Shypitka, MLA  
Kootenay East  
302 535 Victoria Ave N.,  
Cranbrook, British Columbia V1C6S3  
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Hello Tom,

I am just writing to fill you in on update of the regional training center. We decided not to go ahead with the application for the Rural Dividend Grant.

Instead we are going to build the training center on our own and have it ready for Fall 2018.

We met with the High School who are really keen to see this done and are writing an endorsement letter.

We also have endorsement letters from industry.

Anything you can do to help who be deeply appreciated.

Regards,

Colin

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**From:** Colin Sinclair [<mailto:colin@spartanscaffolding.ca>]

**Sent:** Thursday, November 30, 2017 10:04 AM

**To:** Shypitka, Tom <[s.17](mailto:s.17)>; Smith, Heather  
<[Heather.Smith@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Heather.Smith@leg.bc.ca)>

**Cc:** 'Kevin Dyer' <[kevin@highpointplumbing.ca](mailto:kevin@highpointplumbing.ca)>

**Subject:** Rural Dividend Grant

Hello Tom & Heather,

Hey everyone, hope day finds you well!



We are working diligently on our proposal and grant writing prior to submission.

Wanted to update you where we are at.

The college is not applying for this grant, FYI.

Also we are focusing on trades training, specifically plumbing and heating and scaffolding.

The four partners in this venture are ʔaq'am Community Enterprises (they will be submitting the proposal), Spartan Scaffolding (partners with ʔaq'am), High Point Plumbing & Heating, and Stillwater Consulting Ltd.

The hi-lights we are trying to do is:

- 1) Identify and address the gap from formal training to the workplace so workers are more prepared for the work they do in our area
- 2) Increase pool of skilled workers in the area for employers in trades
- 3) Create a sustainable workforce that will reduce employers burden of training and expenses
  - a. Typical 4 years for new plumber to work side by side to comprehend work that is needed to be done in the Kootenay's
  - b. Increase ability to retain employees and our youth in the area
- 4) Create a foundation for economic growth

Attached is sample outline for both industries and once we have more info will pass along. The curriculum is being built currently with many modules already complete.

We hope to have your support in this venture!

Thank you for your time,

Regards,

Colin

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**From:** [Lucak, Dagmar](#)  
**To:** [Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: MLA Throness of Chilliwack-Kent RE: Student Aid for s.22  
**Date:** February 8, 2018 10:57:01 AM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Hi Christina,

Thank you for your diligence on this file.

I just called and spoke with s.22  
s.22

She advised me that we can close this file now.

Thank you very much for the help and support from you and your office to our Constituents, if is much appreciated.

Best regards,.....Dagmar



**Dagmar Lucak**

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**From:** Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX [<mailto:Christina.Rzepa@gov.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** February 7, 2018 1:20 PM  
**To:** Lucak, Dagmar <[Dagmar.Lucak@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Dagmar.Lucak@leg.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: MLA Throness of Chilliwack-Kent RE: Student Aid for s.22

Hi Dagmar,

Just wanting to follow up on this – did you hear back at all from s.22  
else I can help with at this time?

Is there anything

Cheers,

Christina Rzepa  
Executive Assistant to Hon. Melanie Mark  
Minister for Advanced Education, Skills and Training

Room 133 Parliament Buildings  
Cell: **s.17**

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**From:** Lucak, Dagmar [<mailto:Dagmar.Lucak@leg.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** Monday, January 15, 2018 2:47 PM  
**To:** Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX  
**Subject:** RE: MLA Throness of Chilliwack-Kent RE: Student Aid for **s.22**

Thank you Christina,

I have now spoken to **s.22**  
and I have sent her a consent form. I will forward it to you as soon as we receive it back from her.

Have a great rest of your day! Thanks for helping.



**Dagmar Lucak**

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**From:** Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX [<mailto:Christina.Rzepa@gov.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** Monday, January 15, 2018 11:07 AM  
**To:** Lucak, Dagmar <[Dagmar.Lucak@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Dagmar.Lucak@leg.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: MLA Throness of Chilliwack-Kent RE: Student Aid for **s.22**

Hi Dagmar,

Thanks for your email – there is some official business that I will need to ask for as well before we get going.

I also need a certificate of authority sent through your office, so that I know I have the **s.22** permission to access her information and release that information to you. Your constituency office should have these, and if not I know they are on the CO portal. I understand that she's in **s.22** but you can do this form over the phone with her.

I would appreciate you doing that just so we respect her privacy/confidentiality.

I'm happy to look in to this issue but have a few questions and suggestions that might be a bit more direct:

-Do you know if s.22 has contacted Student Aid BC directly? She is the best person to get information about her file, her mother may have hit a barrier because of privacy issues. If she wants to call from s.22 there is a toll free number: 1-800-561-1818

-If she has called Student Aid BC and hasn't received a reply then I would recommend to her that she connect with her institution, s.22  
s.22

s.22 Student Aid BC will release information to the college and may be able to let them know if there are any outstanding steps that s.22 needs to take to receive her funding, or it may compel them to rush this process.

-Finally, if you are getting a certificate of authority from s.22 this certificate should also work with Student Aid BC. You can try calling them again with this consent form, after faxing or emailing it to them, and see if they will release information to you.

I'm hoping though that local action (the student calling student aid directly) will result in local resolution. Generally Student Aid BC are pretty responsive.

Again, I'm absolutely happy to look in to this for you but we generally recommend that constituency offices try these steps before going through the Ministry – I will contact the Deputy Minister, she will contact her Assistant Deputy Ministers, etc down to programming, and that can take some time.

I want to get this situation resolved as quickly as possible for your constituent! Please let me know if you have already taken these preliminary steps, and please send over a certificate of authority for s.22 if you'd like me to proceed.

Warm regards,

Christina Rzepa  
Executive Assistant to Hon. Melanie Mark  
Minister for Advanced Education, Skills and Training  
Room 133 Parliament Buildings  
Cell: s.17

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**From:** Lucak, Dagmar [<mailto:Dagmar.Lucak@leg.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** Monday, January 15, 2018 9:45 AM  
**To:** Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX  
**Subject:** MLA Throne of Chilliwack-Kent RE: Student Aid for s.22

Good day Christina,

I hope you are having a great day!

Attached, please find the Student Aid BC Confirmation of Enrolment and Fax confirmation sheets for a student Constituent from our riding.

She is attending the **s.22**

She has been attending, even though her funding has not yet been received by her school as of yet.  
**s.22**

I called Student Aid BC. They would not give our office any information without consent from the Student, **s.22** and said they would only provide the School in question or the Student with such information.

MLA Throness has asked that I contact you today to try and find out why this student's feed have not yet been paid to her school, and to try and get this resolved for her in a timely manner, so she can continue her education, uninterrupted.

Thank you for any help you can provide our Constituent.

Hope the Sunshine brightens your day!



**Dagmar Lucak**

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**From:** [Jones, Tristan FLNR:EX](#)  
**To:** [Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: **s.22**  
**Date:** February 6, 2018 3:33:40 PM  
**Attachments:** [Red Seal Program.pdf](#)

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Hi Christina,

Here is the attachment. I think it has the context you're looking for. If not, let me know.

Thanks!

Tristan

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**From:** Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 6, 2018 12:59 PM  
**To:** Ranjan, Ramesh JTT:EX; Jones, Tristan FLNR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: **s.22**

Thanks Ramesh!

Tristan do you have a bit more context for me about this request?

What application are they looking to submit and what kind of support are they looking for? Feel free to give me a call!

I think there was an attachment here that might have more info 😊

Cheers,  
Chris

**s.17**

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**From:** Ranjan, Ramesh JTT:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 6, 2018 11:29 AM  
**To:** Jones, Tristan FLNR:EX  
**Cc:** Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX  
**Subject:** Re: **s.22**

Hi Tristan,

WorkBC is now under AEST. Christina should be able to help you get an answer. I've CC'd her here.

Ramesh

**Ramesh Ranjan**  
Executive Assistant to the Honourable Bruce Ralston,  
Minister of Jobs, Trade and Technology



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On Feb 6, 2018, at 10:26 AM, Jones, Tristan FLNR:EX <[Tristan.Jones@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Tristan.Jones@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Hi Ramesh,

Can you give me any information regarding why the Work BC does not consider Power Engineer as a trade, and any potential remedies?

See attached.

Thank you,

Tristan Jones  
Executive Assistant to the  
**Honourable Doug Donaldson**  
Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development  
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**To:** Jones, Tristan FLNR:EX  
**Subject:** Fwd: s.22

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**Cc:**  
**Subject:** s.22

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**From:** [Langille, Laurie K](#)  
**To:** [Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Tax receipts for Work BC  
**Date:** February 6, 2018 3:32:16 PM

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This is just the information I needed. Thanks so much Chris!

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**From:** Rzepa, Christina AEST:EX [mailto:Christina.Rzepa@gov.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 6, 2018 1:44 PM  
**To:** Langille, Laurie K <Laurie.Langille@leg.bc.ca>  
**Cc:** Ranjan, Ramesh JTT:EX <Ramesh.Ranjan@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** Tax receipts for Work BC

Hi Laurie,

Regarding your constituent who was taking the TIOW program in Williams Lake – our staff advised that the constituent likely received a training wage of \$350/wk over the 12 weeks he was in the course (\$4200). He should have received a T4A from Horton Ventures for this amount and then included it as taxable income when submitting his taxes with the CRA.

If he didn't receive that T4A he might be able to request it from the Work BC Services Centre:

WorkBC Services Centre

281 1ST Avenue North, Williams Lake, BC

Phone: (250) 398-5133 / Fax: (250) 398-5103 / Toll Free: 1-866-392-3189

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So it looks like yes, if he received a training wage, then it would be taxable. If he didn't receive a training wage, that would be a pretty huge departure from the way the program typically runs.

I hope that helps!! Please let me know if there is any more info I can get you.

Cheers,  
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