

**MINISTRY OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SOLICITOR GENERAL  
POLICING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY BRANCH  
POLICE SERVICES DIVISION  
BRIEFING NOTE**

**ISSUE**      Cost of replacing the RCMP with our own BC Provincial Police Force

**BACKGROUND**

- If the Province replaced the RCMP with a BC Provincial Police Force – similar to the OPP in Ontario and SQ in Quebec –

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- Under the terms of the Provincial Police Services Agreement (PPSA), the costs are shared between the province and Canada. The province pays 70% of the cost base described in the PPSA and Canada pays the remaining 30%. In 2008/09 the budget for the RCMP Provincial Force was approximately \$428 million, of which the Province paid \$299.5 million and Canada paid the remaining \$128.5 million.

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- Contract Costs –

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Under the Provincial Police Service Agreement (PPSA), the province pays 70% of the RCMP Provincial Force cost base, and Canada pays the remaining 30%. In 2008/09 the Provincial Force cost base was approximately \$428 million. The Province paid approximately \$299.5 million, and Canada paid \$128.5 million to this cost.

- Federal Specialized Units –

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In addition to the cost base, there are costs associated with BC's RCMP Provincial Force which are borne 100% by Canada. In 2007/08 it is anticipated that Canada will pay about **\$3 million** for items associated with the Provincial Force such as civil actions, compensation and ex-gratia payments, building security provided by Corps Commissionaires, etc. Canada also pays 100% of the cost of several specialized units that provide services to the province, such as Special "I" and Special "O".

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The RCMP Provincial Force must move from its current offices in Vancouver. Public Works Canada is planning to construct a new building on a site that has been selected in Surrey.

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**Contact Person:** Lisa Godenzie  
**Telephone No.:** 604.660.2917  
**Date:** April 6, 2010

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**Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX**

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From: Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
Sent: Friday, August 26, 2011 4:20 PM  
To: Minister, SG SG:EX  
Subject: FW: BC RCMP Audit

From: s.22  
Sent: Friday, August 26, 2011 9:32 AM  
To: [premier@gov.bc.ca](mailto:premier@gov.bc.ca); Bond.MLA, Shirley  
Cc: Corrigan.MLA, Kathy; [mayor.corrigan@burnaby.ca](mailto:mayor.corrigan@burnaby.ca)  
Subject: BC RCMP Audit

Premier Christie Clark  
Parliament Buildings  
Victoria, BC V8V1X4

Dear Premier Clark:

I saw the story on CBC Vancouver's News last night that said the Province was in negotiations with the RCMP for a 20 year contract with the Audit that was supposed to be finished last year still hasn't been released. It's very upsetting to see that your cabinet and Treasury Board hasn't seen the report yet and is in negotiations for a 20 year contract. (see: <http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/story/2011/08/25/bc-rcmp-audit.html>)

I would recommend that the Province ask for a 1 year extension of the current contract to allow for the report to be released and digested. There are other options than renewing the RCMP contract - a Provincial Police Service answering to Victoria may be a better answer but it would be difficult to judge without looking at the report and weighing it against the pros and cons of having our own in BC. Also, in negotiations, if the RCMP feel there is a viable alternative (i.e: a Provincial Police Service), they might be more willing to sharpen their pencils when it comes to their new contracts.

Bottom line: Don't let this become a dividing issue, delay at least a year until the report can be made public and discussions should be had about the costs/benefits of a provincial police service vs. costs/benefits of the RCMP contract.

Thanks, in advance for your consideration.

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CC: Shirley Bond  
Kathy Corrigan  
Derrick Corrigan

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**From:** localmia [localmia@uniserve.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 9, 2011 10:48 AM  
**To:** s.22  
**Cc:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** RE: RCMP IN B.C.

Hi, s.22

Thanks for your email.

As the contract for policing in British Columbia comes under the jurisdiction of the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, I am taking the liberty of forwarding your email to the Honourable Shirley Bond, for her consideration.

Thanks again for writing.

Barry

[www.barrypenner.com](http://www.barrypenner.com)

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** September-08-11 6:15 PM  
**To:** [barry.penner.mia@leg.bc.ca](mailto:barry.penner.mia@leg.bc.ca)  
**Subject:** RCMP IN B.C.

Dear Mr. Penner,

I am writing to you regarding my lack of confidence in the BC RCMP.

The British Columbia arm of the RCMP have made many serious breaches of trust in the last decade.

From the unwarranted killing of Robert Dziakański by the RCMP to the latest where they **FORGOT** to notify the Alberta Amber Alert Program of missing child Kieran Hebert. These are only two of many shortcomings of the RCMP.

Will you commit to not renewing the contract for RCMP policing in BC and begin the process of establishing a BC police force that could cover all jurisdictions?

The RCMP have become an amateur police force with their lying, use of excess force and serious oversights, and it is time they were replaced.

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## Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX

**From:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 13, 2011 1:15 PM  
**To:** s.22  
**Cc:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Winning election issue

Thank you for your email. I am encouraging a two-way dialogue between British Columbians and government, and I do appreciate that you have written to express your views on police services in our province. I have asked the Solicitor General, the Honourable Shirley Bond, to include your comments in the related discussions. We are always looking for ways to improve and your feedback will be very helpful to us.

Thank you again for writing. It was good to hear from you.

pc: Honourable Shirley Bond

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Friday, August 26, 2011 7:53 PM  
**To:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Subject:** Winning election issue

The BC POLICE ..... BCP ..... replace the RCMP, It's a Federal force. Make our police a local matter....no longer having people from the rest of Canada being transferred here....LOCAL EMPLOYMENT.

The RCMP is unpopular...outlasted its cache....too much baggage. Help us forget about the HST debacle...create a positive image of a major change away from Federal mentality and domination of part of our justice system.

Help the Federal govt coalesce the RCMP into a true FBI kind of organization rather than a bunch of cops walking the beat, by reducing the size of the force.

The supposed subsidy that the feds provide us in contract negotiations is simply part of the transfer payment confusion....and a means to justify a massive federal presence and training ground for what has proven to be an increasingly ineffective and ineffectual policing practice.

...a popular move; create a force that represents BC citizens, in the long run save us money.

This will be a popular election issue....and I am sure that combined with a review of the COST EFFICIENCIES related to municipal policing combinations....will be BUDGET POSITIVE

sincerely s.22

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From: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
Sent: Tuesday, September 13, 2011 1:24 PM  
To: s.22  
Cc: Minister, SG SG:EX  
Subject: RE: New Message from Christy Clark Premier website

Thank you for your email. I am encouraging a two-way dialogue between British Columbians and government, and I do appreciate that you have written to express your views on police services in BC. Your support of a provincial police force is noted and will be shared with the Solicitor General for her review as well. I have asked the Honourable Shirley Bond to ensure that you receive an update on this matter at the earliest opportunity.

Thank you again for writing. We are always looking for ways to improve and your feedback will be very helpful to us.

pc: Honourable Shirley Bond

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From: s.22  
Sent: Friday, August 26, 2011 10:34 PM  
To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
Subject: New Message from Christy Clark Premier website

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Someone has filled out the form on the Christy Clark Premier website. Below are the details.

Message for: [premier@gov.bc.ca](mailto:premier@gov.bc.ca)

Senders Name: s.22

Email Address: s.22

Message: Dear Premier Clark,

As you are my Premier, I believe I should write to you both as Premier and Leader of the Liberal Party of British Columbia. You are the Captain of this Provincial ship.

I understand that the RCMP want us to sign a twenty (20) year contract. First I would like to ask just who in their right mind would sign a twenty year contract for anything? Second, I would like to mention that a Para-Military Force like the RCMP are not trained for the task. From the killing of an immigrant at YVR to outright assault of the public they seem to have done everything possible since the APEC conference at UBC some 15 years ago. When it was announced that there would be an inquiry regarding the killing at YVR, they declared that they did not care as we, the people, and the province have no jurisdiction over them! Provinces such as Quebec and Ontario have there own Provincial Police Force accountable to the Legislature and the people of these provinces. We should have more pride in ourselves and our province by having our own provincial police force, and not hire a Para-military force which is under the control of people in either Regina or Ottawa. They should be under the control of the people in this province and especially the Premier of this province!

Having our own provincial police force (once again) would place the control over the force right here in B.C. It would also provide some 6-7000 jobs here in B.C. Now ex-Premier Campbell declared to me when I asked him about the RCMP that we have them because they are the cheapest. Well that is a pretty sorry excuse or reason to have a Para-

military force police the province! It also helps to reinforce the old saying about how you only get what you pay for!

Premier, I would suggest that you seriously consider re-establishing a British Columbia Provincial Police Force, which would provide thousands of jobs for British Columbians, and place the control of the police force where it should be. Here in Victoria.

As I have mentioned also, \"Just who in their right mind would sign a twenty year contract\", especially without some kind of escape clause. We should have more pride in ourselves and have our own police force. One last example. I live in Burnaby. If there is need for a Dog team here in North Burnaby, the RCMP dog team may be in either Maple Ridge or Surrey! By the time the dog team arrives, there is no longer a need for them! Yes, this is a high quality police force. Well actually Para-Military force, which YOU could do something about if you wished. You could provide not only thousands of jobs for British Columbians, but also have a Police Force which we the people of B.C. could be in control of, and have pride in!

If you would care to discuss this further, or hear other horror shows regarding this Para-Military Force I am would look forward to it.

I truly look forward to your reply and answers', as, just for one thing, a twenty year contract is insane, and it is hard to believe that anyone in government is that obtuse to sign or agree with such a thing! I look forward very much to hearing from you..., my Premier. Best wishes and regards from Burnaby.

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## Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX

**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 13, 2011 1:54 PM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Dealing with RCMP

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 10, 2011 11:46 PM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** Dealing with RCMP

Hi Ms. Bond, yeah it's not easy dealing with them. I am not a huge fan of law enforcement mainly my past dictates that. However I know a good lawman(women) when I see one. Always remember they are told what to do by Ottawa. They don't really have to listen to us. We are the ones seeking their service. If they don't go for the accountability part to well. Remind them that as British Columbia's we can start our own Provincial Police Force. I'm no perfect little Joe citizen as you know I have had my problems. We all have problems. I do know cover ups and these people have been doing just that. This is fine , but clean it up in Ottawa. Not here in BC and take it out on us. Get a shrink RCMP and clean it up I say. So sick of hearing bad things happen within our national police force. The behaviour of the RCMP is embarrassing and concerning. I mean like is this going to be what we want. A country run by drug lords and a corrupt national police force. This is what will happen you know. Anyways this is how I would deal with them. Have a great day eh. .... s.22

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## Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX

From: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
Sent: Wednesday, September 14, 2011 12:31 PM  
To: s.22  
Cc: Minister, SG SG:EX  
Subject: RE: New Message from Christy Clark Premier website

Thank you for making us aware. Generally the turnaround on responses is very good. We do appreciate your email and have sent a reminder to Minister Bond's office.

pc: Honourable Shirley Bond

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From: s.22  
Sent: Tuesday, September 13, 2011 11:14 PM  
To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
Subject: New Message from Christy Clark Premier website

Someone has filled out the form on the Christy Clark Premier website. Below are the details.

Message for: [premier@gov.bc.ca](mailto:premier@gov.bc.ca)

Senders Name: s.22

Email Address: s.22

Message: About three weeks ago I emailed Shirley Bond regarding renewal of the RCMP contract. I've yet to receive a reply. Having previously contacted the Premiers office (under Campbell) about not receiving replies from Provincial politicians (an email to which I received no reply) I don't hold out too much hope but I thought I'd give your office the benefit of the doubt.

I'd love to hear from both you and Shirley. Any hope?

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From: s.22  
Sent: Thursday, September 29, 2011 11:37 AM  
To: Minister, SG SG:EX  
Cc: mayor@surrey.ca  
Subject: RCMP ultimatum

Ms. Bond and Ms. Watts,

*May I suggest to you that the RCMP have finally shot themselves in the foot. The failure of their senior officers to effectively deal with problems created by their errant members has disgraced the force in the eyes of the general public, if not the world. It must be soul destroying for the many honest, dedicated members of the force to see this happening .... but it is.*

*Of course the RCMP brass believe that we have no choice and that they can continue in whatever manner they see fit and be above public scrutiny while doing so. An elitist stance if ever there was one. This is bolstered by the belief that we have no options.*

*However, that is not the case. Perhaps it is time to create the long overdue Metro Vancouver Police Force. Oh yes, and include Abbotsford too. Economies of scale would probably reduce our overall policing costs but even if it were to remain static, we would have the ability to make the new force accountable to a civilian board in the event of police wrongdoing. The fact that the RCMP consider themselves above the law is, in itself, reason to consider them as "Canada's Largest Gang".*

*By my count, this would eliminate no less than six police bureaucracies in the lower mainland all of which are excellent within their own right and have demonstrated that they are willing to correct internal problems without resorting to the "Old Boy Network" of coverup. I seriously believe that the Mayors (With the exception of the bonehead in Vancouver) of Metro Vancouver would see the advantages of a common police force.*

*We may still need the RCMP for the rest of the Province but they would certainly be on notice.*

*The problem, of course, is time or the lack of it.*

*Thank you for reading,*

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**Jones, Angela M SG:EX**

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From: s.22  
Sent: Thursday, September 29, 2011 8:37 AM  
To: Minister, SG SG:EX  
Subject: RCMP

You are doing exactly the right thing re the RCMP contract. The feds won't pull the force out of the province until replacements are in place. You should reverse the process used when these hounds from hell replaced the old provincial police-offer jobs in a new provincial force to the redundant RCMP personnel. Of course, you will weed out all those who abused or killed our citizens with immunity. You will get a lot of support from wavering conservatives like me. Lots of luck. s.22

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**Jones, Angela M SG:EX**

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**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 29, 2011 9:52 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: RCMP Contract

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 29, 2011 8:29 AM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** RCMP Contract

Dear Minister Bond;

Please take this golden opportunity to get rid of the RCMP as a provincial police force in B.C. The actions of the federal government have been less than helpful and we should seize this time to make a proper B.C. provincial police force accountable to the people of B.C. not only for their actions but for their budget.

Yours sincerely,

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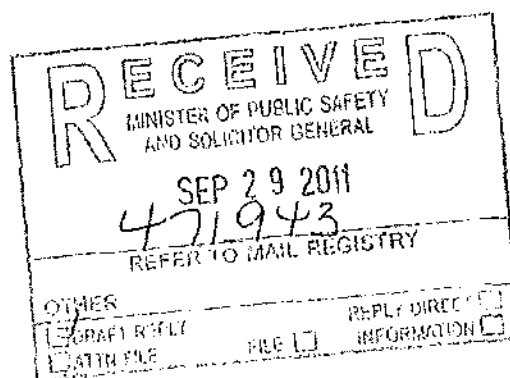
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**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 29, 2011 9:55 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Web site feedback email

**From:** [webmaster@shirleybondmla.bc.ca](mailto:webmaster@shirleybondmla.bc.ca) [webmaster@shirleybondmla.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 6:43 PM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** Web site feedback email

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comments: Dear Ms. Bond,

British Columbians deserve far better value and service than we've been receiving from the RCMP. Unless the RCMP are willing to step up and deliver the quality of service and accountability that the citizens of BC demand and deserve, I'd like to encourage you to call Minister Toews' bluff and not renew a deal with the Federal Government for policing services with the RCMP. British Columbia deserves a police force that reflects the values of its citizens and if we can only achieve that goal by forming our own provincial police force, then so be it. Criminologists and observers of the RCMP have called them the most poorly trained force in Canada and, subsequent to their impending unionization, likely the most expensive. We deserve better value for our money!



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From: Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
Sent: Thursday, September 29, 2011 9:55 AM  
To: Minister, SG SG:EX  
Subject: FW: RCMP out of BC

From: s.22  
Sent: Wednesday, September 28, 2011 6:18 PM  
To: Bond.MLA, Shirley  
Subject: RCMP out of BC

Hon. Bond now is the perfect time to get rid of the RCMP. As a citizen of BC, I would prefer that the police force is answerable to our elected representatives, and your office. I think that any clear thinking individual who stood back and looked at their record in this province over the past few years to be lacking. And they refuse to open the books.

Please Hon. Bond do the right thing and get rid of the RCMP. It might be difficult at first, but the province will benefit from it.

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From: Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
Sent: Thursday, September 29, 2011 9:55 AM  
To: Minister, SG SG:EX  
Subject: FW: Fire the RCMP

From: s.22  
Sent: Wednesday, September 28, 2011 6:05 PM  
To: Bond.MLA, Shirley  
Subject: Fire the RCMP

From Air India on down, it's been one story of incompetence after another. And of course the current Federal government has no interest in giving you a say or a bargain. End it now. Tell--don't ask--the federal government the RCMP will continue to police at the current rate while we organize our own police force.

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**Jones, Angela M SG:EX**

**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 29, 2011 9:54 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: please do not renew any contracts with the RCMP

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**From:**  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 10:06 PM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** please do not renew any contracts with the RCMP

Please add our name to your list of persons who no longer want the RCMP as the police services in the province of BC.

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**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 29, 2011 9:56 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Suggestion for policing changes in BC

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 5:29 PM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** Suggestion for policing changes in BC

Hi Shirley  
I have a suggestion that I would like to run past you.

Suggested strategy for implementing a Provincial Police Force in British Columbia at lowest visible cost to the taxpayer.

1. Bring all Municipal and City police forces in BC under the same type of uniform (same cut and colour). They would all retain their municipal and city badges and patches, but conspicuous "British Columbia" shoulder flashes would be added. This would NOT be an amalgamation, but it would facilitate and streamline police collaboration and sharing of resources. A police officer (and patrol car) would look the same whether you are in Victoria, or New Westminster, but the cities would still be in control of their own policing mandates.
2. Create a central purchasing authority for all independent police forces in BC and direct them to use it. This would result in cost savings for the taxpayer through negotiated purchases, bulk buys and fleet purchases. This would also preempt the need to do this when starting a new force.
3. Create the British Columbia Highway Patrol using the same uniforms as indicated above with their own badge and patches. The cost of this would be within the means of the BC taxpayer. This, and the common uniforms in other communities, would create the "Brand Image" of a BC Provincial Police Force. This force would serve as a nucleus for a Provincial Police Force. They would amalgamate with the BC Sheriffs to realize further taxpayer savings.
4. Incentivise communities that currently contract to the RCMP to change when they can and contract to the BC Highway Patrol. When enough communities are contracted to, rebrand the Highway Patrol to BC Provincial Police.
5. The Provincial Police then take over the provincial investigative and police services.

Clearly, as a phased process this would be a decade long (or longer) process. The organizational handovers would be slow and careful, and the cost to the taxpayer would be spread out and low-profile.

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I believe that 1, 2 and 3 could be underway in the 2014 time frame, and could result in a savings to the taxpayer in the short term. This would also grow the perception for the public that a provincial force already exists.

Regards,

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**Jones, Angela M SG:EX**

**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 29, 2011 9:56 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: REFUSE the RCMP in BC

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 5:26 PM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** REFUSE the RCMP in BC

As BC is clearly seeing, the RCMP is NOT OUR provincial police force but answers to Ottawa. Its time BC grew up, stopped relying on the cheaper RCMP prices and took control of our own policing like Ontario and Quebec. Instead, BC has gotten lazy and allowed the RCMP to police our largest cities and towns, a condition which does not exist in other provinces. Alberta, Saskatchewan etc all have thie own major cities policed by municipal police forces thus the citizens of this province control those officers and they accountable to our police act, not Ottawa's.

BC needs to say no to the new deal and force the RCMP to accept our terms. 1st, BC needs to mandate that all cities in BC over 100,000 need to be policed by our own municipal/regional police forces. 2nd, BC needs to empower our Sheriffs department to patrol major provincial assets like highways, the legislature and the ferry system like the Washington State Patrol. Our police officers need to be accountable to BC, not Ottawa.

Seriously, the RCMP aren't going to send 6,000 officers pink slips. If BC did go its own way, almost all of those 6,000 RCMP officers would immediately join any new provincial/regional force BC was going to create. There are not enough vacant positions in the rest of Canada to accommodate 6,000 BC officers and they know that. There are only 16,000 officers Canada wide and several thousand of the positions in BC are job only the RCMP can police as they are absolute federal jurisdiction so they can't abandon those positions. The RCMP still do those duties in Ontario and Quebec even though they have their own provincial police forces.

DO NOT accept the current deal the RCMP are forcing down our throats in BC. Lets grow up, accept that policing costs are not cheap and take control of our law enforcement options instead of cheaping out with the RCMP. If Ontario and Quebec can manage their own provincial police forces so can we in BC. Enough of police which are accountable to Ottawa and have been doing nothing but grab the headlines with outrageous behaviour in this province. We can do better than the RCMP. They are a far from perfect force and there are better options out there.

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**Jones, Angela M SG:EX**

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**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 29, 2011 9:56 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: RCMP contract

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**From:** s.22 |  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 5:15 PM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** RCMP contract

On behalf of our household, many thanks for taking a stand on the RCMP contract. Untenable terms! You have our full support. Time to move to provincial/municipal policing, as opposed to a federal/politized force.

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Jones, Angela M SG:EX

From: Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
Sent: Thursday, September 29, 2011 9:56 AM  
To: Minister, SG SG:EX  
Subject: FW: RCMP Negotiations

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From: s.22  
Sent: Wednesday, September 28, 2011 4:54 PM  
To: Bond.MLA, Shirley  
Subject: RE: RCMP Negotiations

Dear Shirley

My name is s.22

I am not affiliated with any police force or law enforcement for that matter, however I have applied and therefore I hold an interest. I was not pleased to see the Federal Government trying to force the provinces hand in signing their deal. Although I do not know all the details as you do I only know from what I have read. I am of the mind set to say PLEASE call their bluff.

I have always loved the RCMP for what they used to stand for but they need to be accountable. Perhaps establishing a provincial police force in conjunction with the Sheriffs might be a plausible way to go? It would help with the transition and help lighten the load of police officers.

I am a Mediator and Negotiator and know by the Federal governments heavy handed manoeuvre that they are up to something. So the question to be asked is what?

I hope you make the right decision when the time comes. Although I imagine a difficult one. But heavy handed ultimatums usually favours the other party greatly and I prefer not to play ball with these individuals.

Sincerely:

s.22

**Jones, Angela M SG:EX**

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**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 29, 2011 9:59 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: BC Police force

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From: s.22  
Sent: Wednesday, September 28, 2011 3:12 PM  
To: Bond.MLA, Shirley  
Subject: BC Police force

Thank-you for not automatically caving in to the fed's demands re: the RCMP. I am wholeheartedly in favour of having our own police force.

Regards,  
s.22

**Jones, Angela M SG:EX**

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**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 29, 2011 10:00 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: RCMP Contract

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 3:03 PM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** RCMP Contract

I think that if you asked the people, they would vote against signing a new contract with the **RCMP**. I know that it would be good for BC as it would allow local control over a provincial force, and it would create employment, and we would not have to put up with the bullying from Ottawa. Take it to the people and I am sure that you would get fantastic support. I remember the old B.C. Provincial Police, they were fantastic.

Please give it serious thought

Thank you

s.22

**Jones, Angela M SG:EX**

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**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 29, 2011 10:01 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: RCMP

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 2:52 PM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Cc:** [stephen.harper@parl.gc.ca](mailto:stephen.harper@parl.gc.ca); [victoews@parl.gc.ca](mailto:victoews@parl.gc.ca)  
**Subject:** RCMP

Dear Minister Bond:

What is the stumbling block in the negotiations for the RCMP contract. The idea of cancelling the RCMP is unthinkable. I know there is always talk of a B C Police force which we could not ever afford. We have already had a B C police force which did not work, I had the opportunity to have worked with a former B C Police officer from s.22

I have contacted Vic Toews and the Prime Minister informing them that it is not acceptable to threaten to cancell the RCMP,s contract. NEGOTATE!!!!!!!

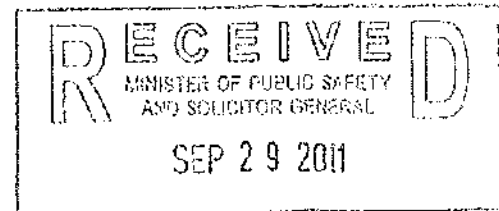
Yours truly

s.22

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**From:** Bond, MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 29, 2011 10:01 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: RE RCMP  
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**From:** s.22  
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**To:** Bond, MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** RE RCMP

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Hello,

Please consider this my opinion with regards to the RCMP. Don't renew their contract. Take a page out of Quebec's book of tricks and ask the feds to give us the money they spend on that service and we will look after it. The RCMP are the worst police force in BC. That is my opinion as someone who has s.22  
I am it presently not working having retired so I can render my opinion without fear. I attach my resume to add weight to my opinion. If I can help in any way, please let me know.

s.22

**Jones, Angela M SG:EX**

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**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 29, 2011 10:02 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: RCMP

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 2:07 PM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** RCMP

As a voter in long standing I urge you go explore the idea of our own provincial police force now.

Respectfully,

s.22



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**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
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s.22  
**From:**  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 1:39 PM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** RCMP

Dear Ms. Bond,

Today I read in the Province newspaper about your attempted re-negotiating with the federal RCMP for ongoing Provincial Policing services beyond 2014. I am writing to express my opinion that you should pursue and seriously consider establishing our own B.C. Police force and allowing the RCMP to cease their operations here. It is my opinion that we have not had a police force that is clearly focused on our provincial priorities of policing and instead, they follow a more generic federal agenda. We need a police force made up of British Columbians who understand our regional attitudes and would be mandated to follow our specific intentions in policing. Furthermore, we could remove the existing discrimination against those in the police who cannot advance without the requisite bilingualism, that the majority of British Columbians have little exposure to or use of.

A British Columbian Police force made up "of British Columbians" and for British Columbians objectives.

Just thought I'd share my perspective.

Regards

s.22

Jones, Angela M SG:EX

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From: Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
Sent: Thursday, September 29, 2011 10:02 AM  
To: Minister, SG SG:EX  
Subject: FW: RCMP contract negotiations

From: s.22  
Sent: Wednesday, September 28, 2011 1:42 PM  
To: Bond.MLA, Shirley  
Cc: Letnick.MLA, Norm  
Subject: RCMP contract negotiations

Ms Bond

Firstly let me say I am a huge fan of police officers and other first responders who willingly put their lives at risk to protect us.

However I am completely disillusioned with the RCMP brass who have squandered the goodwill that the RCMP once enjoyed. I believe there is a circle the wagons, defend the RCMP at all costs, culture that has been evident in a number of highly publicized events, most notably the Dziekanski affair. Why for example is Cpl Monty Robinson still being paid by the RCMP when he has been the cause of 2 deaths. I don't have the confidence that this culture can be changed when the BC RCMP is beholden to the bureaucracy in Ottawa. The only solution, in my opinion, is for BC to develop its own provincial and municipal police forces.

I understand that the federal government is threatening to withdraw RCMP services. To me, this is great news. I prefer that your efforts go into developing a new made in BC policing solution rather than spend time on a new contract with the RCMP.

Thanks for taking my input.

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**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 29, 2011 10:04 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Provincial Police

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 12:40 PM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** Provincial Police

Please do consider Provincial Police as an option to replace the RCMP as a provincial and Municipal force..  
I have s.22 where we have both a local police force and the RCMP.  
I have been able to observe the strengths and weaknesses of both forces closely.  
A Provincial force should definitely be an option.

s.22

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From: EnquiryBC [Enquirybc@gov.bc.ca]  
Sent: Thursday, September 29, 2011 10:42 AM  
To: Minister, SG SG:EX  
Subject: Re: General comment/feedback [#85796]

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Date: 9/29/2011 7:43:12 AM  
To: EnquiryBC@gov.bc.ca  
Cc: lcsocosystest@gov.bc.ca  
Subject: General comment/feedback

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It was submitted by s.22 ( ) on Thursday, September 29, 2011 at 07:42:47

related: Laws and Legal Services

message: Re: RCMP

I understand that the province is currently encountering difficulties in re-negotiating its contract with the RCMP. I recommend that we terminate these discussions.

The RCMP has many problems - one of which is that it is simply too big. As such it is generally unfocused and locally unresponsive to provincial concerns. Poor coordination and cooperation with municipal Forces have contributed to failures from Clifford Olsen to Robert Picton to the Grey Cup Riots.

BC would be better served by a return to its own Provincial Police. As a taxpayer, I appreciate that this process would be expensive. As a supporter of the Liberal Party, I am willing to bear this cost.

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October 3, 2011

Ms. Shirley Bond,  
Minister, Solicitor General  
Province of British Columbia  
Via: E-mail

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Dear Ms. Bond:

I wish to comment on the recent announcement regarding the threat by the Federal government to remove the RCMP from the Province unless a new contract is signed by November 30th. Firstly, I am appalled by the position taken by the Federal Government; it is impossible to bargain in good faith under a not so veiled threat of police service withdrawal. This speaks volumes about the attitude of the Federal government towards this Province and their 'one size fits all' model of police service delivery.

While the issue that appears most prominent is costs and funding, relatively little attention has been paid to the issue of accountability. It is clear to many that even with the Province and municipalities funding a significant portion of policing costs, there is little RCMP accountability to the Province. Division and detachment commanders respond principally to RCMP HQ's in Ottawa.

In my view, there is however a silver lining in this situation – the potential for development of a provincial police force directly accountable to the provincial government. As a long-term resident of the Province of BC, I have lost faith in the RCMP's ability to provide adequate and accountable police services at the municipal and provincial level.

As stated in the press release of Wednesday, your Ministry is looking at a backup plan in case of withdrawal of RCMP services. While this is commendable and prudent on your part as the Minister, I encourage you to move beyond this with instruction to your officials to conduct a cost benefit analysis of both police service models, RCMP versus Provincial Police. Citizens have a right to know that policy development and decision making for a future police service model is based on a thoughtful, objective and independent process.

In my opinion, there are two significant factors to be considered in such an endeavor. Firstly, an important consideration is the number of members within the RCMP potentially available to a newly formed Provincial police force. Secondly, institution of a provincial police force may lay the groundwork for a consolidation of independent police forces in the lower Mainland and Capital Region, a recommendation of numerous studies.

Thank you for the opportunity to present my views on this critical issue.

s.22

c.c. Randall Garrison, MP, Esquimalt-Juan de Fuca  
Maurine Karagianis, MLA, Esquimalt-Royal Roads

## Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX

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**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 3, 2011 10:40 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: RCMPcontract  
**Attachments:** RCMP contract.doc

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Monday, October 03, 2011 10:30 AM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Cc:** [randall.garrison@parl.gc.ca](mailto:randall.garrison@parl.gc.ca); Karagianis.MLA, Maurine  
**Subject:** RCMPcontract

## Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX

**From:** EnquiryBC [Enquirybc@gov.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 3, 2011 1:57 PM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** Re: General comment/feedback [#86254]

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**From:** s.22  
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**Cc:** lcsocosystest@gov.bc.ca  
**Subject:** General comment/feedback

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It was submitted by s.22 ( ) on Sunday, October 2, 2011 at 14:17:27

related: Laws and Legal Services

message: It's time to say goodbye to the RCMP and time to bring back a provincial police force no matter what deal the federal government throws at us(BC tax payers).

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**Sent:** Monday, October 3, 2011 10:53 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: RCMP contract.

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Sunday, October 02, 2011 10:32 AM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** RCMP contract.

Good day Ms. Bond,

I have been following with great interest the story of the RCMP threatening to pull out of BC. Please help them on their way. With all of the negative publicity surrounding the RCMP in BC, I believe that it is high time to dump this federally controlled paramilitary organization into the dust bin of history. I believe that you could make history, and gain political points, by reestablishing a provincial police force that would be accountable to the people of BC.

It's no secret that the RCMP are out of control and that something has to be done about it. There isn't a week that goes by without another story of incompetence, or scandal, about the RCMP in BC. As I'm sure you are aware, more people die in police custody in BC than in any other province. We the tax payers payed for an audit of the RCMP but we are told that the results won't be released until after a contract is signed? Then what was the point of an audit? What does the government and the RCMP have to hide? As an organization the RCMP have proven to be incompetent, corrupt, and dishonest. The Robert Dziekanski incident and the subsequent efforts to cover it up, the murder of Ian Bush, the Air India failure, the Robert Pickton debacle and the millions of tax dollars spent on inquiries as to what went wrong in all of those cases. The pension fund scandal, former RCMP Commissioner Giuliano Zaccardelli getting caught lying to a parliamentary committee, Geoff Mantler of the Kelowna RCMP that kicked Buddy Tavares in the head and tried to lie about it even after the video was released, the recent sex scandal involving Const. Susan Gastaldo and Staff-Sgt. Travis Pearson, the fact that the RCMP get to investigate themselves when a complaint is made against them, etc, etc. Do I need to go on? The corruption and sense of entitlement are now so deeply ingrained in the RCMP that the only hope for better policing in BC is to get rid of the RCMP and start fresh.

The public opinion is that the RCMP have got to go. Please do your fellow citizens a favor and call their bluff. It's time for a provincial police force by, of, and for British Colombians.

Sincerely,

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## Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX

**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 3, 2011 10:58 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: RCMP in BC and some kudos

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Saturday, October 01, 2011 3:06 PM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Cc:** Bell.MLA, Pat  
**Subject:** RCMP in BC and some kudos

While I am not accustomed to writing elected representatives regarding issues of concern the recent articles in the Vancouver Sun and the Prince George Citizen on the topic of the RCMP contract in BC has motivated me to pen these lines to voice my overall gratitude to you and MLA Pat Bell for your work and to add my support to your effort on RCMP contracts.

First and foremost let me say that during the last decade while in Prince George I have been simply blown away by the dedication and hard work that you and Mr. Bell have undertaken for the people of Prince George, British Columbia and Canada. Such tenacity and determination to make a difference must have been gained with large personal and family sacrifices which are often disregarded by those of us who are the recipients of your leadership. Such sacrifices often go unacknowledged so for whatever it can mean coming from a solitary citizen of this area my thanks for your willingness to become involved.

Secondly the issue of the RCMP contract is of particular interest as s.22  
s.22 dealing with municipal contracts in British Columbia and had opportunity to work s.22  
s.22 I understand the complexity of this issue which transcends municipal, regional, provincial and federal governments and is one area which has defined cooperative effort between these governments in the past. During s.22 strongly supported increased accountability to our contracting partners both operationally and with the use of resources, thus your efforts are worthy of commendation. I strongly applaud your continued effort in this regard and believe that Canadians are well served by the efficiencies and overall effectiveness of contracting with the RCMP for provincial and municipal police service.

While I am sure that you are well served by high quality advisors and consultants from the government, the RCMP and other sources I would be remiss if I did not indicate that I feel strongly enough about your current initiative with regard to RCMP contracts to provide my personal support and advice to this undertaking if that were seen to be an asset. As I s.22 my local accessibility might prove to be of some value.

Whether or not I personally might be of assistance, I will nonetheless look forward to your future deliberations on the RCMP matter and other areas of mutual concern and wish you only the best in your tireless trek to the improvement of our society.

Regards,

s.22

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**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 3, 2011 10:57 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: rcmp

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Saturday, October 01, 2011 4:52 PM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** rcmp

Hello, I do hope you respond to the Mounties' recent ultimatum by showing them the door. Their arrogance and contempt for the people of this province cannot be tolerated any longer. They have committed too many killings and assaults with zero accountability. The sickening death of the Polish immigrant at the Vancouver airport and the subsequent blatant perjury by the killers should have been a wake up call [ it is worth noting that one of the Mounties involved has gone on to kill another man, this time apparently while driving drunk]. The force has been accurately called "horribly broken" and "institutionally sick" and the Mounties should no longer be allowed to run amok in this province. It is time to follow the lead of Ontario and Quebec and have the courage to form a provincial force which could be held accountable; to become masters in our own house.

Sincerely, s.22

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**From:** Bill, Karen F SG:EX  
**Sent:** Monday, October 3, 2011 10:20 AM  
**To:** Minister. SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: s.22 - RCMP Contract

Draft reply minister bond cc MLA MacDiarmid

**From:** Ho, Yvonne [mailto:Yvonne.Ho@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 3, 2011 10:17 AM  
**To:** Bill, Karen F SG:EX  
**Cc:** Lee, Chantal LASS:EX  
**Subject:** s.22 - RCMP Contract

Hello Karen,

I am forwarding a constituent's email for the review of the Ministry of PSSG. Thanks.

Hope you're having a nice morning,

Yvonne  
Constituency Assistant to  
Hon. Dr. Margaret MacDiarmid, MLA  
Vancouver-Fairview  
Tel: (604)-660-7061

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** September-27-11 10:32 PM  
**To:** MacDiarmid.MLA, Margaret  
**Subject:** RCMP and the Federal Government's Threats

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Hello,

Recently I have been increasingly roused by the way our governments, federal and provincial, have been operating. There seems to be an alarming amount of issues that are not being brought to the people. I will mention only one issue today.

The Globe and Mail has an article out regarding the federal government's bully tactics with the upcoming RCMP contract. I ask that you bring this to the floor of the legislature as a major issue needing debate. We should be showing an undivided front against such autocratic behaviour. We are not some dog tethered to a backyard fence. Faith in the RCMP is tarnished and this, among other factors, stems from the lack of accountability from the top. And the top doesn't sit or live in BC.

Sincerely,

s.22

<http://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/national/british-columbia/bc-politics/bc-considers-provincial-police-after-ottawa-threatens-rcmp-withdrawal/article2182561/>

## Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX

**From:** Falcon.MLA, Kevin [Kevin.Falcon.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 3, 2011 3:19 PM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: RCMP

Please respond on our behalf. Thank you!

### Natasha Westover

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** October-02-11 12:10 PM  
**To:** Falcon.MLA, Kevin  
**Subject:** RCMP

Dear Kevin

I for one would like to see the creation of a BC provincial police force I have experience with family who were leadership at senior command levels in the force. The RCMP leadership is still ego bound, kicking over Sitting Bull's tent, the members generally are good people but their training and reporting systems have not kept pace with change in society. I don't think they have embraced the Charter of Rights and Freedoms as anything more than a nuisance to their ability to work as they see fit.

Watch the Videos of the Dziekanski tasing and you see that in 30 seconds there has been no consideration of the principal role of police that being to prevent harm to people and preserve the life of all people, simply put the officers at the scene let the adrenalin rush take command. The RCMP training is at the root cause those officers were not trained to deal with people in circumstances other than as a criminal violent confrontation. We need to have officers who are trained to value humans first regardless of the situation consider how many confrontations go on everyday where drugs, alcohol, criminal and mental issues are involved Officers need the training to consider all facets and deal with calling in additional help to calm a person down and use weapons of any type as a last resort only. 5 minutes instead of 30 seconds was probably all that was needed for Dziekanski what if it took an hour and 20 officers so what, what is the value of an innocent life, unfortunately for him we'll never know.

The following link is an example of the lack of transparency of RCMP policy that should be public so everyone knows. <http://www.kamloopsnews.ca/article/20100904/KAMLOOPS0101/309049993/-1/kamloops/new-rcmp-policy-on-shooting-at-cars-kept-secret>

I understand the RCMP brass wanting consistent service tools, vehicles and administration on a nation wide basis for administration purposes but why do we need full size Crown Victorias as vehicle I'll guarantee there are many other cars that would serve the purpose for a great deal lower cost. The force won't agree because they have an other world view of what they need in a vehicle. Look at E division's new headquarters (I'm happy it's in Surrey) but I know Some contractors on it who figure it will come in at 2 ½ to 3 times the original

budget maybe 900 million instead of 300 by the time it's all done how did that happen I know we pay for it on way or another without having cost control. Perhaps you can deduct it from the Hst repayment.

s.22

Dear Mr. Bonds:

Congratulations on standing firm against the RCMP contract. This makes me proud to be a British Columbian. I hope gone are the days of violence and terrorism at the hands of the RCMP. Tell them the people have had enough bloodshed. I fully support a provincial police force. However if they do stay, it must be our way of the highway. Thanks again for standing up for us!

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September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2011

Dear Mrs. Bond,

As a citizen of BC I am very concerned about the heavy handed approach of the RCMP regarding the renewal of the contract with BC.

I recommend that you no longer retain the RCMP to police our streets. Their dismal performance manifested themselves in the many deplorable incidents that happened under their watch, too many to list here. The people of BC deserve better, we need our own police force that is ultimately responsible directly to our local government even if it costs us more, it will be well worth it.

Do not deal with ULTIMATUMS and put up with their arrogance, just show them the DOOR.

Yours Truly,

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Re: Royal Canadian Mounted Police Contract

Dear Solicitor General Bond:

Please forgive my presumption in writing this letter to you. A friend in British Columbia sent me a link to an article in the *National Post* with a Victoria dateline and a citation to the Victoria, BC *Times Colonist*. That article concerned a speech you gave in Vancouver referencing the difficulties your government was recently experiencing in its endeavor to negotiate a new contract with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police ("RCMP") to provide public safety services in the province. I was compelled to write because I was a party to several conversations on this very subject—the last taking place some fourteen years ago—with the then

s.22

Of course s.22 precludes resort to his considerable experience and wisdom in the area of providing police services to British Columbians. However, I hope you might find that a few of the most salient points he made during those conversations might assist you in the formidable task of dealing with the RCMP's unreasonable demand that you capitulate or lose police service. I recognize that your position in all of this is extremely complex and cannot be resolved by a few words of wisdom from someone who uttered them many years ago, but some of his remarks seemed sufficiently well honed to give, perhaps, some perspective on how he might recommend the British Columbia government deal with the present situation, were it possible to ask him.

By way of very brief introduction, I was a lifelong acquaintance of s.22  
 particularly after s.22 Over the years, s.22  
 and during s.22  
 and I would  
 occasionally have in-depth philosophical and practical discussions about policing and law enforcement. We seemed to enjoy the exercise and often compared and contrasted our respective public safety systems. I was always impressed by his practical knowledge and demonstrated facility with providing public safety. I often



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lament that he did not see fit to publish treatises on the subject. When I would so lament in his presence, however, his most frequent response would be: "Why? You can tell them for me, if need be." I suppose, under these circumstances, that the need he was referring to has come to be. While I do not consider myself a particular fitting repository of his wisdom, I seem to be left with it and, for his sake, take up pen to share it now.

One area s.22 and I dealt with during several conversations was his steadfast conviction that the RCMP's interest in continuing to serve as the British Columbia Provincial Police Force was diminishing in inverse proportion to the high cost of providing those services under contracts it negotiated with the province. In other words, he said, the federal government felt like its most recent RCMP contract was "subsidizing" police service in British Columbia. Shortly after the most recent contract negotiations concluded, we had a discussion where s.22 offered his view as to why and how this might well be the last contract between the province and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

In itself, his conviction may not be so remarkable: I am—as he was—sure that many shared this viewpoint for almost as many different reasons. It is only in light of the recent developments that I felt it incumbent upon me to acquaint you with some of the other points he made during those conversations. s.22 accurately predicted that the RCMP would not come to the bargaining table with any accommodations whatsoever next time. He said that they would initially manifest good faith and offer to consider seriously any position taken by the British Columbia government, but towards the end would become intransigent and, ultimately, refuse to bargain at all, presenting British Columbia's government with a last minute "take it or leave it proposition." He was certain they would not offer to amend their position and would threaten to pull out of British Columbia policing forthwith if their demands were not met.

I was taken aback with what I perceived to be an uncharacteristically cynical prediction on his part and so inquired further. Among other things, I happened to ask him what he would do if he were faced with the negotiations between the RCMP and British Columbia on the next provincial policing contract. His response to that question is what I would now like to offer to your studied consideration, as best as my memory of the discussion will allow.

First of all, s.22 said that he would not recommend acceptance of any last minute "drop dead" demands. Instead, he would remind the RCMP that they could not simply "pull out" of British Columbia policing at the end of their

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contract. He said that he was convinced, having studied the issue somewhat, that British Columbia could successfully litigate that attempt as contrary to the national mission and purpose of the RCMP and he was quite sure the courts would enjoin such a rapid pull out. He said his research convinced him that the federal government has a duty to provide police services in any area of Canada where none exists otherwise. Of course, they could present a bill to the province for providing these services and, he would expect that the bill would be at the "non contract" rate—which could be exorbitant—but which would also be subject to administrative control by the Federal Court of Canada. He said that he was sure this would at least provide BC with uninterrupted policing, while it dealt with the crisis caused by the expiring contract with the RCMP.

In the meantime, he would recommend that the province set about creating its own police department immediately as a contingency. I suggested in response that this would be practically impossible given the close time limits involved, together with the increased police budget required to pay the RCMP for non-contract transitional police services over what would be at least, several years.

s.22       disagreed.

He offered his belief that—with a rapid buildup in peace officer personnel, (many possibly being recruited from the ranks of Royal Canadian Mounted Police officers who wanted to stay in British Columbia)—the Provincial Sheriff as constituted could become the backbone of the new policing organization. He anticipated that the Sheriff would be assisted in that regard—at least transitionally—with help from other provincial departments that already employ peace officers in specialty roles: for example fish and game officers would police provincial parks, commercial vehicle enforcement officers would provide general highway patrol in unorganized areas, motor vehicle branch inspectors would provide vehicle crimes investigations, social services investigators would provide child protective services and investigations, and so on. He said that all of these would require some expenditure for recruiting and training additional personnel, but that this would allow some diffusion because the training would, at first, be departmentally specific and would be considerably less for experienced peace officers in those departments who already have been trained in some or all of the functions their department would take. Integration of officers from these specialty services into the new police organization could be done at a slower pace, allowing the officers to be trained in general police work sequentially as they discharge their duties in their speciality organizations. He also said that the RCMP's *ad hoc* police service—and the expense to the province of providing that service—could be correspondingly reduced as more officers were trained and deployed under the

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auspices of the new provincial policing agency.

s.22 expressed his firm belief that if British Columbia took this approach to the negotiations, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police would either come back to the bargaining table if they were serious about wanting to provide contract police services or they would remain intransigent if they were not. In either case, British Columbia's government would at least maintain control over the scope and cost of providing provincial police services, rather than being held economically hostage to RCMP demands merely because BC's government and not the RCMP is mandated to finance and control the provision of public safety in the province.

That is the summary of the general parameters of my conversations in this regard with s.22 I hope it can be of some use to you, if for no other reason than the memory of s.22 who, as a British Columbian his entire life and as a s.22 of his life, evidently devoted considerable thought to the task of providing public safety to his fellow citizens in the province.

Recognizing that your task is daunting and the peril of error palpable, I wish you well in the pursuit of your negotiations with the RCMP. I am confident in any event that you will devote your best efforts to achieve an outcome that is favorable to the best interests of British Columbia's public. In the meantime, should you—or any of your deputies—require further elucidation on any of the foregoing, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Very truly yours, 7

s.22

**Hughes, Candice AG:EX**

From: Anonymous@chase1.gov.bc.ca  
Sent: Wednesday, September 28, 2011 9:15 PM  
To: Minister, AG AG:EX; <sup>s.22</sup>  
Subject: Message to the Attorney General

Below is the result of your feedback form at  
(<http://www.ag.gov.bc.ca/contacts/emailag.htm>).

It was submitted by <sup>s.22</sup> on Wednesday, September 28, 2011 at 21:15:26

message: Dear Minister Bond:

No more RCMP ! I would urge you, most strongly, to create a provincial police force.

As a life long British Columbian (I was born in Vancouver)I grew up in the Province with the Mounties. I have been greatly disillusioned and disappointed with the RCMP for a long time. I do not like their arrogance, their lack of accountability to our Province and am disgusted that the Federal gov't would strong arm the Province with an ultimatum. Let them go - good riddance!

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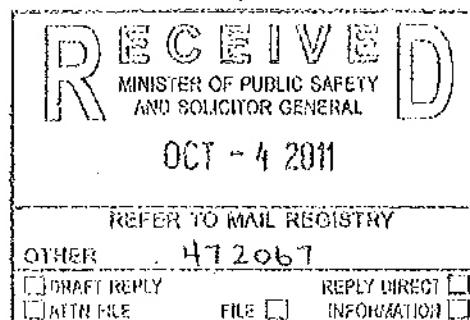
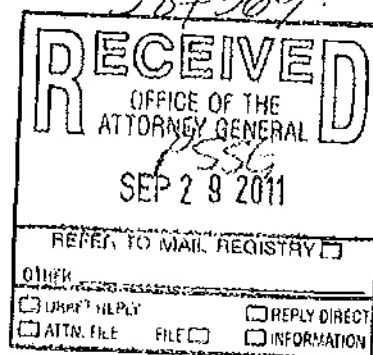
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## Hughes, Candice AG:EX

From: Anonymous@chase1.gov.bc.ca  
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To: Minister, AG AG:EX;<sup>s.22</sup>  
Subject: Message to the Attorney General

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It was submitted by s.22 on Wednesday, September 28, 2011 at 22:27:35

message: I think that there was a time when we as Canadians were proud of the RCMP. We have all watched as they have allowed "bad apples" to remain employed and they have this strong need to support and protect them. They have stated that they do not recognize the provincial jurisdiction, as with the coroner's inquest into the Vancouver airport incident. I was a police officer in the eighties and seen this coming. I feel that the need to hold the police officers in this province accountable is imperative, and I do not think this will be achieved with any agreement. They simply feel above provincial grasp. It appears they hide what they can and if it gets out its coverup and protect time. There is no doubt in my mind that we would be better with an accountable force. The Vancouver airport, then one of those members hit and run fatal, with a bogus story that he had a drink when he went home. This is the "last drink defense which is easily proven in court with an expert what if any the blood alcohol content would have been. They chose of course to read a demand at all... The Mountie in the interior kicking the man in the face with no justifiable reason, it is right on camera. We know this list just keeps going. I would like to know what stand the ag's department has on this accountability issue and how they see it working. My vote, toss out the bad and move on with our own force.

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**Hughes, Candice AG:EX**

From: Anonymous@sarn1.gov.bc.ca  
Sent: Thursday, September 29, 2011 5:38 AM  
To: Minister, AG AG:EX, s.22  
Subject: Message to the Attorney General

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It was submitted by s.22 on Thursday, September 29, 2011 at 05:38:00

message: Did you see the articles in yesterday's Vancouver Sun?

On one side of the page, there was the threat to pull RCMP services unless BC signs up for 20 (11) years. On the other side, it described an RCMP officer beating the hell out of a 17 y.o. girl while she was handcuffed in the back of a cruiser - in front of her mother no less!

Check the comments. Over 90% against the RCMP.

Check the facts. BC has no control over the actions of the RCMP but BC taxpayers pay over 90% of the costs. Surely you must have some idea about the dissatisfaction with "taxation without representation".

The last thing I want to see in this province is an NDP government, but the Liberals have totally botched one issue (HST) and can't afford to be offside on this one.

Stand up for BC's rights. Be a tough negotiator.

Do not trust the federal government (ask First Nations about that). And please work energetically toward having a police force in BC that is controlled in BC.

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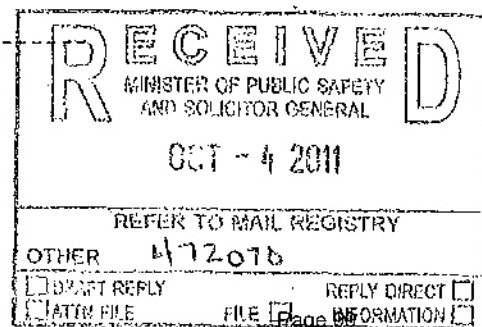
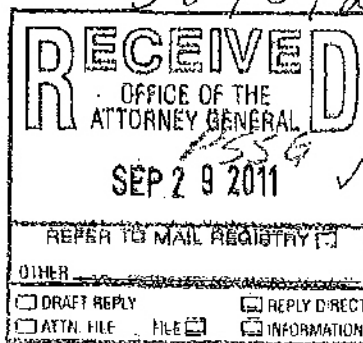
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Jones, Angela M SG:EX

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**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 11:04 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: rcmp contract

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 27, 2011 8:10 PM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** rcmp contract

Ma,am, i would urge your government to pursue a provincial police force, yours truly s.22

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**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 11:04 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: goodbye

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 27, 2011 7:16 PM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** goodbye

Shirley,

We want to get rid of the RCMP,so do most of the people we know.  
They are no good any more.  
We want our own police,not Ottawa.

Thanks

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Sent: Wednesday, September 28, 2011 11:05 AM  
To: Minister, SG SG:EX  
Subject: FW: Web site feedback email

From: [webmaster@shirleybondmla.bc.ca](mailto:webmaster@shirleybondmla.bc.ca) [webmaster@shirleybondmla.bc.ca]  
Sent: Tuesday, September 27, 2011 7:04 PM  
To: Bond.MLA, Shirley  
Subject: Web site feedback email

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comments: Shirley,

I would sincerely hope you not consider renewing the RCMPs contract. I am considering running for council in s.22 and I can assure you this topic has already been raised as an issue. The RCMP are a disgraced organization and have proven time and again they cannot be trusted. People consider them as the criminals and prospects for improvement are non existant. I would encourage you to take a moral stand rather than a monetary one.

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Jones, Angela M SG:EX

From: s.22  
Sent: Wednesday, September 28, 2011 8:50 AM  
To: Minister, SG SG:EX  
Subject: Keep the RCMP

Please sign a deal with Ottawa to keep the RCMP. A provincial police service is simply too costly. Alberta researched the cost of a provincial police service years ago (during the Ralph Klein administration) and came to the conclusion that they could not afford a provincial police service. If the strongest economy in Canada couldn't afford it, and therefore renewed their contract with Ottawa, how can we afford it? I do not want to pay more in taxes in order to have a provincial police force.

I also looked at pay for RCMP and compared it to Vancouver and Victoria police departments. Are you aware that police officers in Vancouver make any where from \$4000 to \$20,000 a year more than the RCMP?

Please keep the RCMP.

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Jones, Angela M SG:EX

From: EnquiryBC [Enquirybc@gov.bc.ca]  
Sent: Wednesday, September 28, 2011 9:55 AM  
To: Minister, SG SG:EX  
Subject: Re: General comment/feedback (#85568)

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Cc: lcsocosystest@gov.bc.ca  
Subject: General comment/feedback

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It was submitted by s.22 ()  
on Tuesday, September 27, 2011 at 22:02:28

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message: Please set up a provincial police force and ditch the RCMP. The mounties have been very bad on all sorts of levels for a long time and have no respect or credence. They are also not accountable to the citizens of BC. They impose their charges unilaterally and also kill many of us unjustifiably. The killings are just the tip of the iceberg - lots of people are beaten and humiliated - witness the story from Williams Lake today where a defenseless 17 year old girl was punched many times in the face (after she had called for help if I understand the news story correctly). We have to ditch these thugs. Remember how the lied in the Driesjanski case - the guy they killed at the Vancouver airport a few years ago. Get these thugs out of here - please

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**Jones, Angela M SG:EX**

**From:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: DO THE PEOPLE OF B.C. A FAVOUR AND KICK THE RCMP BUMS OUT!!!!

**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [<mailto:Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 11:00 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: DO THE PEOPLE OF B.C. A FAVOUR AND KICK THE RCMP BUMS OUT!!!!

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 10:58 AM  
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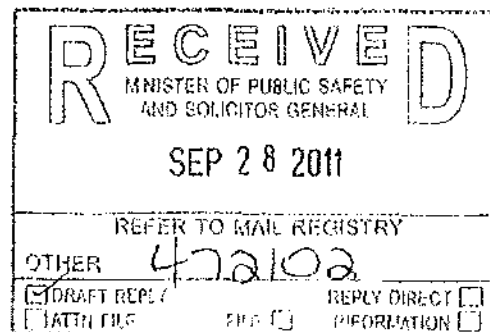
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**DO THE PEOPLE OF B.C. A FAVOUR AND KICK THE RCMP BUMS OUT!!!!**

**JUST READ WHAT THESE PEOPLE HAVE DONE!!**

Ottawa is threatening to pull all RCMP municipal detachments out of British Columbia if the province does not sign a take-it-or-leave-it new policing contract by the end of November.

B.C. Solicitor-General Shirley Bond said the federal government's ultimatum leaves the province with no option but to begin investigating the possibility of re-establishing its own police force, something it hasn't had since 1950.

Coquitlam Mayor Richard Stewart said local politicians feel they have too little control over how RCMP officers are deployed in their municipalities and how they are billed for them. Local governments also question why they should pay for training RCMP members.

Earlier this month, Langley City Mayor Peter Fassbender, co-chair of a committee of Lower Mainland mayors who have the Mounties as their police force, said municipalities are prepared to replace the RCMP with provincial police if an acceptable deal cannot be reached. "We are not afraid to look at the alternative, which would be forming our own provincial force," he said in an interview with a local newspaper.

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*the country, it becomes clear that the RCMP themselves have become the Enemy of the People! This current Book, entitled "There's No Such Thing as Human Rights in Canada!" is a continuation of this conspiratory harassment by the RCMP of this individual and his children. The proof is in the pudding and, even if not beyond a reasonable doubt, a preponderance of evidence would indicate this statement to be true.*

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**Jones, Angela M SG:EX**

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**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 11:02 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: RCMP

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 9:38 AM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** RCMP

Dear Ms. Bond --

Good riddance to the RCMP.

Yes any new police force will also have its problems but the RCMP has shown a history of abusive behaviour, And the federal government has taken no substantive steps to reform them.

And now the Federal Governments wants us to pay premium dollars for this substandard force?

Let's get a force which is accountable to British Columbians!

Regards,

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 9:10 AM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** RCMP

Dear Ms. Bond

Although the RCMP has served this country, and this province, well for countless years, I believe the time has come that we must take the step to police ourselves. We no longer need a police department where policy, procedure, and equipment, are all mandated from 2000 miles away. It's time we took this important responsibility in our own hands and consider reforming the BC Provincial Police. We are no longer a wild hinterland that needs to be tamed by the civilized east. Yes, there will be additional costs involved, however, more British Columblans will have the opportunity to choose policing in their own province and this force would be completely answerable to the people of BC. I urge you to consider this change and to not sign another contract with the RCMP.

Your truly,

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**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 11:02 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: RCMP costs

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 8:50 AM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** RCMP costs

Dear Madam

It is time to say goodbye to the RCMP in BC. How many billions did we pay for policing at the Games? Sadly, they have become a law unto themselves with no control of costs.

And it is also time to amalgamate the fractious forces in greater Victoria. In Saanich the local police chief is paid close to \$400,000 and drives around in a souped up black car like the Wild West. There are over 40 idle expensive vehicles parked outside the station on any afternoon. Are we expecting riots? There are six such chiefs in the greater Victoria area. Vancouver has a larger population and one police chief.

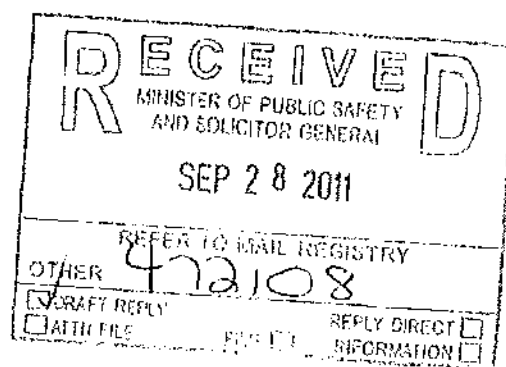
Look at your own lists for 2009 salaries to see where the provincial money is going. And all this for a less than 20% crime solving rate.

The RCMP have lost all credibility after incidents like the tasering and killing of the Polish immigrant at Vancouver airport.

Establish a provincial force. And eliminate nepotism and the cradle to grave entitlement in what has become a Teflon Mafioso.

Yours

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**Subject:** FW: RCMP POLICING IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 7:02 AM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** RCMP POLICING IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

Good Morning Ms. Bond,

On Global Morning news today was a story about the RCMP threatening to pull out of BC in 2014 if their contract wasn't renewed shortly.

I, my family and some friends discussed RCMP policing in BC several weeks ago at a neighborhood BBQ and all ( about 15 people) were in agreement that the RCMP are currently providing poor service and it is time BC formed a provincial police force.

I believe their policing costs are high, they have little credibility, there is very little accountability and some of their members are carrying out criminal acts with no accountability. Have you ever heard anyone from the RCMP admit a mistake? I doubt it.

They are an arrogant bunch and its time they went.

Lets preempt their threat and notify them WE ARE NOT RENEWING THEIR CONTRACT.

Sincerely,

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 6:54 AM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** Dear Shirley. Re RCMP Contract expiration.

I think like most British Columbians, that the time has come to replace the RCMP with a provincial force. No one I know in BC respects the RCMP nor it's officers anymore. They are brutal, kill more people than any organized criminal group in BC, and have far too long gotten away with acting like a paramilitary in this province. It's pretty bad when people fear the RCMP more than the criminals in BC. The officers now are trained to disrespect people, and have no personal skills, let alone accountability. Put a provincial police force in place, and I'll be the first to sign up. It's sickening in the northern areas of the province when a 20 year old officer treats a long term resident with such disrespect. They've earned the distaste in BC by their actions and by the way they treat people. I'd highly suggest that any police force put into BC be highly trained in public relations rather than just how to kill. There is no respect left for this force in BC, and I really can't foresee them ever gaining it back. I have personally witnessed two officers up north off duty with two snowmobiles on the back of their truck intoxicated hit the ditch, then ask passing citizens for a tow out, and due to the respect they showed the locals, were told to go take a hike, so the Officers used an RCMP sat phone to call for a tow, and were never charged with DUI or anything. There is no respect in actions like this. Shirley, this is your opportunity to change the face of BC, and leave your mark. Use it wisely, and god bless.

Yours sincerely,  
An adult live by the laws citizen of British Columbia.

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Subject: FW: RCMP might leave.

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From: s.22  
Sent: Wednesday, September 28, 2011 6:06 AM  
To: Bond.MLA, Shirley  
Subject: RCMP might leave.

It sounds like the RCMP want to play hard ball. It has been my experience when someone takes that kind of stand, the only thing to do is call them on it.

We, as British Columbians, have paid for most or all of the assets that are used by the RCMP so when they leave that stays. Most of the people will be out of a job so they will be looking for employment.

We will have increased overhead costs here but won't have to send money back east to pay for those overhead costs there. More importantly we won't have to deal with the eastern mind set and their thoughts of BC.

It is time to have a made in BC police force. The RCMP will still have a presence here as they will have duties pertaining to federal matters and other good reasons. In the past we have been stonewalled by the RCMP when we dared ask them a question of interest to us. A made in BC option will most assuredly reflect our sense of BC.

I most definitely think it is time to let the RCMP ride of to the east and start with our own Force. We have until 2014 or longer so lets get on with it.

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From: Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
Sent: Wednesday, September 28, 2011 11:04 AM  
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Subject: FW: RCMP services

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Cc: [editor@thelocalsunshinecoast.com](mailto:editor@thelocalsunshinecoast.com)  
Subject: RCMP services

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28/09/2011

To: Hon. Christy Clark, Nicholas Simons, Hon. Shirley Bond

Subject: RCMP Services and new Contract.

I wish you to please note that a new contract with the RCMP is not desired by many fellow British Columbian voters due to the lack of integrity and the loss of trust, lies and cover ups, in custody violence and deaths.  
As well the RCMP refusal to allow public inquiries into these multi yeared abuses and deaths.

It is time for British Columbia to have it's own Provincial Police Force under the control of the voters of British Columbia and upheld by our respected Ministers and Premier to make transparent the policing of our great Province and to curb the problematic officers within the RCMP.

No new contract with the RCMP.

Take over our funding and properties assigned to the RCMP built with British Columbian Tax Payer dollars and create a Provincial Police Force.  
This is a goal that can be met now!

Respectfully

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From: s.22  
 Sent: Wednesday, September 28, 2011 3:21 PM  
 To: Minister, SG SG:EX  
 Cc: conservatives@bcconservative.ca  
 Subject: Provincial Police Force/Teacher's Demands

Get rid of the RCMP as BC's police force. Do not renew their contract.

By doing so, you will be seen to be:

- cleaning up an uncontrollable police force and bringing some accountability to the people of BC for the Gestapo-like actions of the RCMP
- bringing 6000 highly-paid jobs to the people of BC, instead of continuously providing jobs to Quebecers
- holding the line on government expenditures, which El Gordo never did, and you must

Similarly, if you want to be taken seriously:

Clamp down on the teacher's union. NO INCREASE and a cut in their pay would help to curb them.

They are highly overpaid and underworked daycare workers. Fire the lot of them and start over with people wanting to work.

I would appreciate your party's reply on how you stand on these issues, and what actions that you intend to take. A "send this guy the bug letter" will not do!

If you are unable to do these things, be advised that the Conservatives may well replace you in the next election.

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To: Minister, SG SG:EX  
Cc: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX; pm@pm.gc.ca; Coleman.MLA, Rich LASS:EX; mark.warawa@parl.gc.ca; globalnews.bc@globaltv.com; editor@langleyadvance.com  
Subject: Is it time to return to a B.C. Provincial Police Force?

Dear Minister Bond,

Observing media reports and comments made in-camera by yourself regarding the difficulty the Province is encountering extending the contractual arrangement with the RCMP to continue its policing services within British Columbia poses the question whether it is time to return to a B.C. Provincial Police Force for that purpose? Particularly upon revisiting the many incidents within British Columbia where questionable practices by RCMP members have been evident within recent years. Perhaps resulting from the publicized hierarchy deficiencies within the RCMP upper echelon or inadequate training among the ranks.

Minister Bond, I thoroughly support yours and the views of many municipal figures who want to see more direct accountability by RCMP detachments located within their respective jurisdictions. And suggest this is more likely to be achieved by members of the respective police detachments having closer ties to the communities in which they actually police.

It is becoming increasingly evident there have been more disciplinary problems among all police forces since their individual members have become more detached from the actual jurisdictions they police. A situation resulting from where, like all residing within larger metropolitan areas, members of police departments can afford to reside and raise their families. And further compounded by today's social issues and relationship breakdowns.

Minister Bond, perhaps it's time for all police governing bodies to look into the ongoing paramilitary infrastructure by which police departments everywhere operate. An infrastructure that has virtually remained unaltered since the formation of formal policing units a century or more ago. And increasingly implying a them and us mentality by too many police members regarding the public they serve. To be replaced by a more business-like infrastructure that dispenses with the current ranking system.

While it may be a socially unpopular statement to make, however, I personally find it offensive that when a police officer is killed in the line of duty that other members of police departments who neither knew the individual nor family show up in such force for a funeral or memorial service. It further confirms the them and us mentality and affront towards a society where about 98% are totally law abiding citizens.

Although the loss of life is tragic under any circumstances, and particularly a premature violent one, death is the one assured inevitability in life. And those who knowingly engage in vocations where there are risks greater than other vocations have to accept same. Particularly in which some make the conscience choice to carry fire arms and/or other weaponry.

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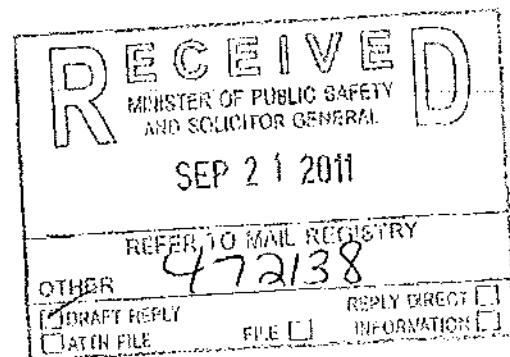
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**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 21, 2011 11:16 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Contact MLA Form Submitted From Legislative Assembly Web Site

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 21, 2011 11:16 AM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** Contact MLA Form Submitted From Legislative Assembly Web Site



**Name:** s.22

**Email:** s.22

**Message:** I am writing about the renewal of the RCMP contract for provincial policing. I find it hard to believe that we are going to renew this, after the endless problems that have occurred in the last few years. They often seem to be as dangerous as the criminals. They are not accountable to the province, they take their orders from Ottawa. Not good enough in my opinion. Most of their officers come from Ontario and Quebec. Do we not have qualified people in BC? I know we do but most of them want nothing to do with the RCMP. I don't want to ramble. I needed to voice my opinion. The RCMP are no longer suitable. They have too many internal issues that effect their ability to perform their duties. s.22



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**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 5, 2011 10:55 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Replacing the RCMP

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 04, 2011 10:21 AM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Cc:**  
**Subject:** Replacing the RCMP

Ms. Bond. You may want to take the following numbers into consideration before anyone decides to replace the RCMP. It could cost a lot more than one thinks.

Thank you,

s.22

October 3, 2011

Christy Clark say's having own police "cheaper"?

Christy Clark stated on CTV news and in the Province that having its own police force would be cheaper for BC than the RCMP!

There she goes again shooting from the lip before having all the facts.

Let's do a comparison and use Vancouver City Police VS Surrey RCMP.

Vancouver has a smaller Geographical area to Police than Surrey, yet the population is just about equal , with Surrey's growing every day and will soon surpass that of Vancouver's.

Vancouver has approximately 1400 officers, while Surrey has approximately 650 officers.

This is because Vancouver is a unionized force which follows a different set of rules when it comes to policing and hiring per capita, such as two man cars after certain hours, while the RCMP are not unionized and therefore can operate with less police per capita.

Should Christy Clark get rid of the RCMP, Surrey police would then fall under BC policing guide lines becoming unionized. This would mean that they would have to increase their force by approximately 750 police officers just to match Vancouver and that is not counting replacing the

RCMP members that wish to remain with the RCMP, leave Surrey and the Province which could mean (if half of the 650 stayed) 1000 to 1100 new police for Surrey.

Now expand these calculations to include Burnaby, North Vancouver, Coquitlam, Langley and White Rock Detachments. There are 6000 RCMP members policing BC.

Even if half of these members stay it still leaves Christy Clark in the position of hiring approximately 9000 police to not only replace but comply with BC union hiring rules.

Add onto this the cost of training, equipment, uniforms, salaries, benefits, services and let's not forget the 10% loss of funding, now provided by the Federal Government towards policing in BC!

So once again please tell the people of BC how it would be cheaper to replace the RCMP?

"O" yes I forgot. This is the government that was 500 million over budget on the Convention Center, 300 million over on the roof for BC Place and said the HST was revenue neutral!

Yes the RCMP has not had a stellar record as of late but neither has the Vancouver Police. Remember the "Mr. Paul" incident, the shooting of a mentally ill male seven times, one member jailed for 3 years for selling drugs on the downtown east side and two members beating up a innocent Asian male when getting the wrong address and one could go on but you get the picture.

This has nothing to do with cost but one of Power! Nothing would change except the uniform, location of Power and cost. It is not as simple as changing the uniform and name but Christy Clark thinks so!

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**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 5, 2011 10:57 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: RCMP

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Monday, October 03, 2011 7:27 PM  
**To:** Christy Clark.MLA; Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** Re: RCMP

I am when the BC Provincial Police was disbanded for the RCMP. I supported that decision.

However I am becoming less and less supportive of the RCMP. There have been just too many mistakes, some fatal, by RCMP officers. They have lost my respect. I was recently at s.22 and had the opportunity to speak with several retired RCMP officers. None of them were supporting the current RCMP.

It is time to consider the establishment of not only a Provincial Force but one that amalgamates all the current individual City Forces in our major cities. I was once s.22 and sat on the s.22 in the 1980's. It was absurd at that time to have separate Police and Fire Departments in each of Victoria's adjoining municipalities. It is more absurd now to continue with that structure.

Please use this current opportunity to resolve an antiquated and expensive Police and Fire Protection structure for the major cities in our province.

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I hope that you will be  
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letter as soon as possible.

Thanks!

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The Honourable Shirley Bond,  
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Dear Ms. Bond:

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of B.C.

I hope that you will be able to replace  
the R.C.M.P. with a provincial police  
force!! Bravo!!

Cheers!  
Sincerely,

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Have you  
read Justice Opper's  
report on Policing in B.C.?  
I did!!

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**From:** PSSG WEBFEEDBACK SG:EX  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 6, 2011 9:30 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Provincial Police

For the Minister's attention.

Angella Jones  
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**From:**  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 5, 2011 7:13 PM  
**To:** PSSG WEBFEEDBACK SG:EX  
**Subject:** Provincial Police

Hello Shirley,

As a resident of BC I feel it is time we take back the role of policing with a made-in-BC police force. The RCMP has lost touch with the Province and with the citizens. It lacks accountability and respect. I really do hope that the government is seriously considering establishing a provincial police force similar to Ontario and Quebec and not using the threat as a bargaining tool. I believe the opportunities are enormous for leading edge policing techniques, and to foster better community bonds and may even open up opportunities to cooperate with aboriginal communities and their policing services, etc.

Furthermore, it is my understanding that a lot of the equipment of the RCMP in BC is actually owned by the province or the local municipality in which they serve, if this is correct, presumably there would be little investment required in equipment and infrastructure for a new provincial police.

Anyway, I hope that the idea is being seriously considered to re-establish the BCPP and it is given due consideration. The RCMP should be responsible for federal policing duties, anything under provincial jurisdiction should be dealt with at the provincial level, the subsidiarity principle should be used by the provincial government as often as possible. This is an excellent opportunity to bring important decisions back to the people of BC and make the police responsible to the elected government and it will likely not present itself for another 20 years (if an RCMP contract is signed again).

Sincerely,

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Hello!

The RCMP and there actions concern us deeply please consider

the costs to the people of continuing with the RCMP.

A letter is attached.

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To : Mr. B. Penner MLA

The Honourable Shirley Bond

Subject: RCMP contract

Dear: Mr. Penner and The Honourable Shirley Bond

We heard with absolute dismay, that the province was prepared to go into a long term contract with the RCMP. We are absolutely against this happening.

The only contract that should be considered is a 3 to 5 year sunset/termination contract.

The threat that the RCMP will abandon B.C. if the contract is not signed is total drivel. The federal Conservatives are in power because of B.C., and they will want to be re-elected. There will be more federal seats, in B.C. for the next federal election and the federal Conservatives will want them. Also can you imagine the cost of terminating 6,000 RCMP officers. With an attitude of a 5 year old who wants them.

I grew up in s.22 with "REAL" police forces which worked with the people (there employers). What an unbelievable shock when I moved to s.22 We both saw the doughnut and muffin races, and drinking behind the church, while on duty. When we told the mayor, he laughed and said nobody controls them. At that time some could hardly speak English and had no idea what was going on in the area, let alone the address of places.

Subsequently to this, we have seen on many occasions:

- Tell many lies on Television
- Fail absolutely in doing their job
- Beat people
- Cause many in custody deaths
- Use spin doctors, to tell their story
- Muffin and donut races through traffic



- Missuse of positions of trust

In Chilliwack we have had an officer convicted of drug trafficking, working in the local RCMP office. This I was told by another RCMP officer and I believe him.

There has been no accountability at all until recently. When I complained about a officers actions, they made accusations about me. We need Police Organizations which reacts to local needs and is responsible to the local Regional District. ( I mean to say -- hiring and firing. )

A effective, efficient locally hired, group of officers which are committed to the region would be a lot better and cost substantially less. Also a Provincial Police Force that worked with the Oak Bay, Victoria, Esquimalt, Saanich, Vancouver, Delta, New Westminster, and West Vancouver police forces, what a change that would be.

By the way, my wife nor I, have ever committed a crime, nor have we been accused or charged with a crime.

It is obvious, in the RCMP there are many people the police forces could use, but the organization of the RCMP must go. It was created as an army, and still works that way. The organization main goal is self preservation, not protection of the people. Please, give us a police force through out British Columbia which works for the people , not someone in Ottawa.

Sincerely,

s.22

Cc Mark Strahl mp

**Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX**

**From:** Affleck, Lindsey A PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 5, 2011 2:51 PM  
**To:** Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Policing Falkland/Westwold - Cliff 638370

Hi Tiny, would it be possible for someone to contact him to discuss his concerns?  
Let me know, thanks,  
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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 4, 2011 3:23 PM  
**To:** [christy@christyclark.ca](mailto:christy@christyclark.ca)  
**Subject:** Policing Falkland/Westwold

Chrisy... s.22 regarding my above e mail that was sent to you on August 25/11 which has not been acknowledged as received or any reply. This is causing me much concern as my reply was to an e mail from the S/G department of your government which in my opinion was an attempt to brush me off from showing concern for the Policing in our area and I know this would not be acceptable by you.

I would very much appreciate someone from the S/G Department to contact me so we can thoroughly and honestly discuss the antics of the RCMP not only in our rural area but throughout the rural areas of our Province.

The RCMP contract is a very testy issue and I do not think our Province should cave into their TAKE IT OR LEAVE IT ATTITUDE.....I personally would like to see a two year extension of the current agreement and a cost study started to evaluate OUR OWN PROVINCIAL FORCE. Just because Alberta and Saskatchewan jumped off the bridge and accepted the offer does not mean that WE HAVE TO. This is an excellant opportunity for us to go it alone and control POLICING IN BC.

We have great examples of local policing in Abbotsford(previously RCMP), Delta, New Westminster, West Vancouver, and Vancouver. You must admit that the number of wrong doings by these forces is MINIMAL COMPARED TO THE RCMP.

s.22 detachment office in Falkland and have witnessed a Corporal reporting for duty and parking the police car in front of the office and it never moves as he is in the office doing paper work....no pro active policing from this body and this situation is throughout the RCMP Services in BC. I have some other incidents which I have witnessed regarding Corporal passing files to Constables who are not even in our area and have to come and attend.

Christy before we do anything I think our S/G Department should do a thorough review of Policing by the RCMP BEFORE WE SELL THE FARM as there are so many short comings but they will say we are doing the job.....sorry they are not as we have seen in the numerous bad incidents they have been involved in.

I have numerous personal friends in the Force, great honest hardworking Policemen but they are being treated as a number only with no consideration of their well being by the Senior Management of the RCMP.

Thanks for taking the time to read this e mail and I would very much appreciate your comments and when the S/G department will handle my concerns. Lets do something before it is too late....a

20 year contract is way too much and too expensive.

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To B.C. Solicitor General;  
and associates.

The referred to report  
(attached) makes complete  
common sense for any  
agreement with the RCMP.

My question is, <sup>①</sup> has  
that been achieved in  
our negotiations with  
them? <sup>②</sup> If not why not?

We should settle for  
nothing less!

We should not be  
policed by a "top heavy,  
paramilitary organization...  
that employs physical-  
force and bullying ~~on~~  
ordinary citizens, <sup>FROM</sup> OTTAWA!

P.S. has our B.C.  
government members even  
read this report?

Sincerely

## Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX

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**From:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Friday, October 7, 2011 8:28 AM  
**To:** s.22  
**Cc:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** RE: RCMP contract

Thank you for your comments regarding police services in British Columbia. Your position on the matter is noted and we will share your feedback with the Solicitor General for her review and consideration. It will be included in any related discussions.

Thank you again for expressing your views.

pc: Honourable Shirley Bond

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 6, 2011 1:23 PM  
**To:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Subject:** RCMP contract

To Honorable Christy Clark,

I wholeheartedly support the examination of our province's options vis a vis the upcoming contract renewal with the RCMP. I believe a provincial police force could be less expensive, and much more accountable to the people of British Columbia.

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**From:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Friday, October 7, 2011 2:12 PM  
**To:** s.22  
**Cc:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** RE: RCMP

Thank you for your email. I am encouraging a two-way dialogue between British Columbians and government, and I do appreciate that you have written to express your views on police services in BC. Your support of a provincial police force is noted and will be shared with the Solicitor General for her review as well. I have asked the Honourable Shirley Bond to ensure that you receive an update on this matter at the earliest opportunity.

Thank you again for writing. We are always looking for ways to improve and your feedback will be very helpful to us.

pc: Honourable Shirley Bond

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 29, 2011 11:53 AM  
**To:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Subject:** RCMP

Dear Mrs Premier

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I would like to add my voice to those of other British Columbians who say it's time for the RCMP to go. We don't need them in this province. Their record in this province of corruption, lies, coverups, brutality, and in some cases murder eg Possee Bush, Arnaud, Dziekański etc speaks for itself and makes them utterly unacceptable as a police force in British Columbia.

In fact I'd like to know why, given the RCMP's terrible record in BC, you and other leaders in this province have allowed them to remain here all these years to carry on with their misconduct and criminality.

We either need to replace the RCMP with a provincial police force or allow the local communities to police themselves, to come up with some policing system of their own.

Whatever we do we have to make the new police, be they local or provincial, fully accountable fully subject to our legal system. The days of RCMP style unaccountability have to end. This is supposed to be democracy where ALL are equal under the law. In this regard I strongly urge you to create a system of public oversight of the police in this province. I suggest an independent citizen's panel free of conflicts eg -composed of no police or former police, that is empowered to investigate police misconduct and initiate criminal proceedings against offending officers, if necessary. The panel will of course be transparent, properly funded, conduct its business in a timely manner, take evidence from all sources not just the police, and it's findings will not be mere recommendations, but binding.

Thank you

## Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX

From: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
Sent: Friday, October 7, 2011 2:08 PM  
To: s.22  
Cc: Minister, SG SG:EX  
Subject: RE: Riots - What to do with public help.....

Thank you for your comments regarding police services in British Columbia. Your position on the matter is noted and we will ensure that your personal feedback is included in any related discussions.

Thanks again for being in touch. It was good to hear from you.

pc: Honourable Shirley Bond

-----Original Message-----

From: s.22  
Sent: Thursday, September 29, 2011 4:31 PM  
To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
Cc: Minister, SG SG:EX  
Subject: Re: Riots - What to do with public help.....

Christy and Shirley,

BIG thank you on all the time both of you are putting in in-front and behind the scenes.

RCMP vs a BC Provincial Police Force dovetails back in to the riot for me. The riot is a good example of far too much money, resources and lack of integration happening across BC with our police departments. Downside is lack of accountability, poor credibility, no goodwill, too much crime gaining roots in all corners of BC and so on. Like many in BC I'm fed up with the 2nd rate policing of the RCMP and the lack of integration between other forces.

As a voter, I would like to have a vote in BC's direction in provincial law enforcement. I'd like to see this choice made a election issue.

Sure the Feds might scream no time to negotiate on the contract but that's rubbish. IMO the reality is the Feds are more accountable to the taxpayers than the BC politicians. The Feds need to let the public take their time to make an informed vote for a Provincial Police Force or not.

As BC politicians, this vote would certainly give you more time to weight up the choices but more importantly to inform the public. It also, gives the BC government a stick so to speak to get the Feds to negotiate in public and to be accountable.

Yes, I'd vote for a BC Provincial Police Force as I see too many of our youth and young adults being killed or being by false promises of wealth and fame down the wrong path. The police and the charges of youth just can't keep up with the mobility of young people and those that prey on them for their own gain. We need changes from the old ways to help the future of BC find the right paths.

Cheers,

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On 6/17/2011 4:14 PM, OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX wrote:

> Thank you for your email. Your comments are noted and we will share  
> them with the Solicitor General for her review and consideration. It  
> was good to hear from you.

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> From: s.22 Sent:

> Wednesday, June 15, 2011 10:22 PM

> To: [christy@christyclark.ca](mailto:christy@christyclark.ca)

> Subject: Riots - What to do with public help.....

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> Hey there Christy,

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> Pretty sad state that the typical Anarchist and criminal types take  
> advantage of a sports event ;-(

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> Would be a great time for the Province and City to push forward with  
> CCTV's for the downtown core to insure we maintain our standing as a  
> world class City. Maybe time to let the business associations downtown  
> to contribute to the cost.

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> Also, with the use of smartphone pics and vids, it's a good measure to  
> insure law enforcement have the capabilities and PR approach to get  
> the public to forward digital content to catch and expose these  
> Anarchist and criminal types. The public will cooperate but they need  
> the tools to help the police.

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> Keep up the great work and take care

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> ??Please consider the environment before printing this email.

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**From:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Friday, October 7, 2011 2:04 PM  
**To:** s.22  
**Cc:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** RE: A BC Police Force

Thank you for your comments regarding police services in British Columbia. Your position on the matter is noted and we will share your feedback with the Solicitor General for her review and consideration.

Thank you again for expressing your views.

pc: Honourable Shirley Bond

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 29, 2011 8:57 PM  
**To:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX; Heed,MLA, Kash LASS:EX  
**Cc:** Dix,MLA, Adrian LASS:EX  
**Subject:** A BC Police Force

Enough of the federal government's bullying tactics about the RCMP! It's well past time for BC to (re)create our own police force that is fully accountable to British Columbians. We need a civilian oversight body and an effective process for investigating complaints about police actions. In Metro Vancouver it's also high time that we established a region-wide force that is more effective at sharing information and resources than the patchwork system we have now. This contract expiry is the ideal time to correct a lot of longstanding problems in a positive well thought out manner.

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**From:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Friday, October 7, 2011 1:57 PM  
**To:** s.22  
**Cc:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** RE: R.C.M.P.

Thank you for your comments regarding police services in British Columbia. Your position on the matter is noted and we will share your feedback with the Solicitor General for her review and consideration. It will be included in any related discussions.

Thank you again for expressing your views. It was good to hear from you.

pc: Honourable Shirley Bond

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 5:51 PM  
**To:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Subject:** R.C.M.P.

Dear Premier Clark

I would like to start off with a statement that I never usually complain or voice my opinion but with the recent Federal statement regarding the fact that we blindly accept what Alberta and Saskatchewan took for the R.C.M.P. just does not sit well with me, I have lived on the prairies and it is much different there.

I say Premier please pull out and start a Provincial Police Force, the estimated \$20 Billion over 20 years would more than justify the cost of implementing this, our identity is not with the R.C.M.P. It is with BC first

Kindest regards,

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**From:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Friday, October 7, 2011 1:54 PM  
**To:** s.22  
**Cc:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** RE: RCMP vs provincial police

Thank you for your comments regarding police services in British Columbia. Your position on the matter is noted and we will share your feedback with the Solicitor General for her review and consideration.

Thank you again for expressing your views.

pc: Honourable Shirley Bond

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 9:24 PM  
**To:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX; deJong.MLA, Mike LASS:EX  
**Subject:** RCMP vs provincial police

was very dismayed to hear the pressure from the RCMP to quickly sign a \_20\_ year contract. let's go back to having our own police force. i've been very disappointed with the disfunctionality, dishonesty and lack of local accountability we've all seen in the RCMP organization. it's time to move on to something better...

thank you for your time!

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**From:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Friday, October 7, 2011 1:52 PM  
**To:** s.22  
**Cc:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** RE: New Message from Christy Clark Premier website

Thank you for your comments regarding police services in British Columbia. Your position on the matter is noted and we will share your feedback with the Solicitor General for her review and consideration.

Thank you again for expressing your views.

pc: Honourable Shirley Bond

-----Original Message-----

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 27, 2011 6:56 PM  
**To:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Subject:** New Message from Christy Clark Premier website

Someone has filled out the form on the Christy Clark Premier website. Below are the details,

Message for: [premier@gov.bc.ca](mailto:premier@gov.bc.ca)

**Senders Name:**

s.22

**Email Address:**

**Message:** I was thinking maybe we should let the RCMP leave and have the municipalities start ther own police i think in the long run getting rid of them would save money.  
Just my opinion

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**Date Submitted:** Sep-27-2011 6:55 pm

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**From:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Friday, October 7, 2011 1:50 PM  
**To:** s.22  
**Cc:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Please fire the mounties

Thank you for your comments regarding police services in British Columbia. Your position on the matter is noted and we will share your feedback with the Solicitor General for her review and consideration. It will be included in any related discussions.

Thank you again for expressing your views.

pc: Honourable Shirley Bond

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 27, 2011 10:15 PM  
**To:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Subject:** Please fire the mounties

Madam Premier

The mounties have been very bad for a long time. When I was young they had a stellar reputation – now they do not. They are famous for abusing civil rights and their authority now. They are also famous for being murderous self righteous thugs.

Consider this story from today at: <http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/story/2011/09/27/bc-rcmp-beating-allegation-bccla.html>

We do not need cops beating on girls who called for help who they slammed into the back seat of a police car.

I work at a difficult job too. I work at s.22 I get lots of hassle all the time – I don't get violent. The whole place gets lots of hassle all the time because we are dealing with a lot of people with severe mental problems. We treat them gently and with respect and things work out well. I think the mounties get their noses out of joint way too easily.

So please – get rid of them. Set up a provincial police force that is at least accountable to BC.

Respectfully

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From: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
Sent: Friday, October 7, 2011 1:48 PM  
To: s.22  
Cc: Minister, SG SG:EX  
Subject: RE: New Message from Christy Clark Premier website

Thank you for your comments regarding police services in British Columbia. Your position on the matter is noted and we will share your feedback with the Solicitor General for her review and consideration.

Thank you again for expressing your views. It was good to hear from you.

pc: Honourable Shirley Bond

-----Original Message-----

From: s.22  
Sent: Wednesday, September 28, 2011 8:07 AM  
To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
Subject: New Message from Christy Clark Premier website

Someone has filled out the form on the Christy Clark Premier website. Below are the details.

Message for: [premier@gov.bc.ca](mailto:premier@gov.bc.ca)

Senders Name:

s.22

Email Address

Message: Hi, I believe you\\re on the right track. Keep up the good work Christie. I\\m writing to encourage you to let the RCMP go and create BC\\s own police force. I have been following the RCMP\\s track record and it\\s dismal. The RCMP creed (which is on the wall of their detachments) claims they follow a creed of \\integrity, honest, professionalism, compassion, respect and accountability. I have seen little of this as the force makes increasing news of their wrongdoing. Their biggest blunder that was swept under the carpet was the murder of Ian Bush and unless their hiring policy is revamped we will encounter more indiscretions and crimes against the public. My family and \\ have little respect for this force and trust which should be a basis for a police force is missing. Please do BC a favour and dismiss this troubled force and bring BC a force we can be proud of.

The RCMP in the past was the pride of Canada but now they are a disgrace. Their wrong doings are increasingly costing the taxpayers more tax dollars. [There must be a reason the other provinces have created their own force.

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**From:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Friday, October 7, 2011 2:31 PM  
**To:** s.22  
**Cc:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** RE: The question of the RCMP

Thank you for your comments regarding police services in British Columbia. Your position on the matter is noted and we will share your feedback with the Solicitor General for her review and consideration.

Thank you again for expressing your views.

pc: Honourable Shirley Bond

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Friday, September 30, 2011 8:54 PM  
**To:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Subject:** The question of the RCMP

Dear Premier Clark,

I am no fan of the Liberal party and the destruction wrought on the province by your party and former Premier Gordon Campbell.

After the utter debacle of the HST, which I realize you are in no way to blame for, it would go a long way towards reconciling a large part of the population of the province towards your management of it if you please consider a full, complete and independent study of whether or not it would be on benefit to the citizens and coffers of British Columbia to replace the RCMP with a Provincial force.

As you know, the RCMP is an overly expensive, damaging, inefficient and unaccountable police force. It bears studying whether or not a provincial force, similar to Ontario's, would be better, cheaper, and accountable to the tax-payers that support it.

Sincerely,

s.22

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From: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
Sent: Friday, October 7, 2011 2:41 PM  
To: s.22  
Cc: Minister, SG SG:EX  
Subject: FW: General comment/feedback [#86250]

Thank you for your comments regarding police services in British Columbia. Your position on the matter is noted and we will share your feedback with the Solicitor General for her review and consideration. It will be included in any related discussions.

Thank you again for expressing your views.

pc: Honourable Shirley Bond

-----Original Message-----

From: EnquiryBC [mailto:Enquirybc@gov.bc.ca]  
Sent: Monday, October 3, 2011 1:53 PM  
To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
Subject: Re: General comment/feedback [#86250]

We are forwarding the following e-mail for your attention. Please respond to the original sender at: s.22 Thank you.

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From: s.22  
Date: 10/2/2011 12:49:40 PM  
To: EnquiryBC@gov.bc.ca  
Cc: lcsocosystest@gov.bc.ca  
Subject: General comment/feedback

Below is the result of your feedback form at  
(<https://extranet.gov.bc.ca/forms/gov/contact/index.html>).

It was submitted by s.22 ()  
on Sunday, October 2, 2011 at 12:49:35

related: Laws and Legal Services

message: Christy,

Many of us hope you maintain your stand on the RCMP issue. Please get rid of these inept bunch of low lifes and you'll have our vote forever. Let's go with a provincial police force.

reply: yes

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**From:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Friday, October 7, 2011 2:44 PM  
**To:** s.22  
**Cc:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: RCMP IN BC  
**Attachments:** RCMP.docx

Thank you for your email. I am encouraging a two-way dialogue between British Columbians and government, and I do appreciate that you have written to express your views on police services in BC. Your support of a provincial police force is noted and will be shared with the Solicitor General for her review as well. I have asked the Minister to ensure you receive an update on this matter at the earliest opportunity.

Thank you again for writing. Your feedback will be very helpful to us.

pc: Honourable Shirley Bond

**From:**  
**Sent:** Monday, October 3, 2011 11:47 AM  
**To:** [Toews,V@parl.gc.ca](mailto:Toews,V@parl.gc.ca); OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX; [cathy.mcleod.c1@parl.gc.ca](mailto:cathy.mcleod.c1@parl.gc.ca); XT:Krueger, K LP:IN  
**Subject:** RCMP IN BC

I sincerely hope that this note finds its way to the appropriate desk prior to any decision made over the RCMP contract issue! I thank you all for your time and your commitment to excellence in this wonderful home of ours!

Proud to be Canadian,  
s.22

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It is with great concern that I watch the dialogue between the Province of British Columbia and the RCMP. I believe that it would be a huge mistake and costly to have the RCMP removed from BC but I also believe that the RCMP needs a complete review from the top down. Following are observations made by me and comments made to me over the past 8 years.

First let me say that I believe that the RCMP and the Red Serge are a symbol of all that Canada has to offer the Citizens, Immigrants, and Visitors to our wonderful Country. Freedom, Honesty, Respect. I believe that the problems around these negotiations have less to do with money, but everything to do with these three important principals. I believe that the RCMP has lost the respect of the Citizens through their own actions. A difficult situation but not insurmountable. I believe a read of the book "The Speed of Trust" by Stephen Covey would be beneficial to all Members, Administrators, and Negotiators.

I make this statement for the following reasons:

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- The YVR airport tazer incident of Dziekański and the cover up of that by the RCMP was the beginning of the end for the impeccable reputation of the RCMP. Until that point I do not believe that anyone would question the ethical behaviour of the RCMP and the Administration. If they had admitted that something happened right away and let the investigation roll it would not have gone as sensational as it did. Not one person has asked publicly where the YVR staff where and how it escalated to this point. The RCMP through their attempts to cover up the mistakes of a member lost the trust of many in BC. It does not end there now. With every case the RCMP word is no longer good and they can not be effective until that trust is returned. They MUST earn back the public trust!

- We have many Friends across Canada who have been proud Members of the RCMP and are now in their late 50's and 60's. All chose early retirement which in every case shocked me. When I went back to ask them why they retired or were retiring early they simply said it was time but I know that these proud Members would never leave unless there was more to the story. They being old school and proud would not say!
- The list goes on but the story is the same, the RCMP can not be trusted and must be reviewed and changes made immediately. There must be severe and immediate consequences for any Member breaking the public trust or breaking a law. The RCMP members can not think that they are above the law and immediate dismissal is not a huge stretch for knowingly breaking a law or covering it up. While I realize that accidents happen like in the YVR episode and the RCMP can not be perfect they still must be accountable and honest with immediate dismissal as the only outcome for an RCMP Officer caught breaking the Public Trust.

Thank you for taking the time to read this and I sincerely hope that it finds the correct desk in time that it may help to give some basis for discussion over the resurrection of the RCMP trust in BC and a continuing contract! I for one love to see the Sea of Red Serge marching down the streets across Canada!

Kindest regards,

s.22

**Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX**

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From: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
Sent: Friday, October 7, 2011 2:48 PM  
To: s.22  
Cc: Minister, SG SG:EX  
Subject: RE: RCMP

Thank you for your comments regarding police services in British Columbia. Your position on the matter is noted and we will share your feedback with the Solicitor General for her review and consideration.

Thank you again for expressing your views.

pc: Honourable Shirley Bond

-----Original Message-----

From: s.22  
Sent: Saturday, October 1, 2011 8:14 AM  
To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
Cc: s.22  
Subject: RCMP

Form your own force. You have 6000 potential trained candidate. Just weed out the bullies.  
s.22

-----Original Message-----

From: s.22  
Sent: Saturday, October 1, 2011 7:02 AM  
To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
Cc: s.22  
Subject: RCMP

You are the employer and they are the employee.

Since when does the employee dictate terms.

If they should leave what are they going to do with what I read 6000 members. Where will they be put. How will the RCMP find the money to pay them. Will they all be fired.

You have them by the you know what and can squeeze all you want.

I find that the force are bullies. Remind them of how the member handled that problem at the airport. Send in the bullies to solve the problem. There are other incidents where the same tactics have been used.

Is this the type of police we want in BC??

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**From:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Friday, October 7, 2011 2:50 PM  
**To:** s.22  
**Cc:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** RE: RCMP Contract

Thank you for your comments regarding police services in British Columbia. Your position on the matter is noted and we will share your feedback with the Solicitor General for her review and consideration. It will be included in any related discussions.

Thank you again for expressing your views. It was good to hear from you.

pc: Honourable Shirley Bond

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 29, 2011 12:18 PM  
**To:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Subject:** RCMP Contract

Hon. Christy Clark  
Premier of British Columbia  
West Annex  
Parliament Buildings  
Victoria, BC  
V8V 1X4

Re: RCMP Contract

Dear Ms Clark,

You have a great opportunity to restore the Liberal Party's reputation with the B.C. electorate. The province can now, with no legal conflict, refuse to renew its contract with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. This will give you the opportunity to reinstate the BC Police Force and restore the necessary trust between the police and the public that has been lost.

Cost is not the primary issue here, but trust; trust in the police and in the Government to do the right thing. This kind of opportunity only comes round occasionally; it's yours to take. I sincerely hope you do.

Yours sincerely,

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<http://mcsopotamiawest.blogspot.com/2011/09/fire-rcmp-in-bc.html>

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**From:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Friday, October 7, 2011 3:03 PM  
**To:** s.22  
**Cc:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** RE: R.C.M.P. negotiations

Thank you for your comments regarding police services in British Columbia. Your position on the matter is noted and we will share your feedback with the Solicitor General for her review and consideration.

pc: Honourable Shirley Bond

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Friday, September 30, 2011 5:20 PM  
**To:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Subject:** R.C.M.P. negotiations

In re R.C.M.P. v.s. a provincial police force. As taxpayer I would rather have my taxes go up if need be, rather than see our province stuck for another 20 years with a federal police force that is not answerable to the people of British Columbia. Now is the time to make the transition.

Regards,

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## Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX

From: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
Sent: Friday, October 7, 2011 3:06 PM  
To: s.22  
Cc: Minister, SG SG:EX  
Subject: RE: Support for a BC police force

Thank you for your email. I am encouraging a two-way dialogue between British Columbians and government, and I do appreciate that you have written to express your views on police services in BC. Your support of a provincial police force is noted and will be shared with the Solicitor General for her review as well. I have asked the Honourable Shirley Bond to ensure that you receive an update on this matter at the earliest opportunity.

Thank you again for writing. Your feedback will be very helpful to us.

-----Original Message-----

From: s.22  
Sent: Friday, September 30, 2011 4:22 PM  
To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
Subject: Support for a BC police force

Dear Premier Clark,

While I appreciate most of the service provided to the province by the individual RCMP members, I cannot support the latest negotiating tactic brought forth by the Federal government. As a result, I believe that it would be in the province's best interest to not sign a new contract with the RCMP and establish a new BC provincial force instead. It seems completely ridiculous to me that the negotiators are insisting on a 20 year deal with basically no provision for financial accountability. The fact that other provinces have already signed the deal does not provide validity to the deal, it simply indicates desperation on the part of provincial officials. BC doesn't need to capitulate.

I would support the return of a provincial police force just as Ontario is doing. We already have many local police forces protecting our largest population centers. We maintain both the Solicitor General and the Attorney General as provincial oversight of the police. I believe that the province is much better at monitoring and protecting expenditures, a trait that seems lacking with the executives at the RCMP. This "take it or leave it" policing contract is a bad deal for BC.

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**From:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
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**To:** s.22  
**Cc:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** RE: RCMP

Thank you for your comments regarding police services in British Columbia. Your position on the matter is noted and we will share your feedback with the Solicitor General for her review and consideration. It will be included in any related discussions.

pc: Honourable Shirley Bond

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Friday, September 30, 2011 4:22 PM  
**To:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Subject:** RCMP

If we lose the RCMP becuse of stupidity as to what it cost to police, then the libs lose my vote forever  
I have always voted for the party but if I cease to do so, will also spend all my time devoted to turfing you out  
Rather than haggle over this issue, dump a whole bunch of useless ministers, aides, staff, offices cronies at  
crown corportations etc etc etc  
A disgusted voter

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## Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX

From: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
Sent: Friday, October 7, 2011 3:10 PM  
To: s.22  
Cc: Minister, SG SG:EX  
Subject: RE: Provincial policing debate

Thank you for your email. I am encouraging a two-way dialogue between British Columbians and government, and I do appreciate that you have written to express your views on police services in BC. Your comments will be shared with the Solicitor General for her review as well. I have asked the Honourable Shirley Bond to ensure that you receive an update on this matter at the earliest opportunity.

Thank you again for writing. We are always looking for ways to improve and your feedback will be very helpful to us.

pc: Honourable Shirley Bond

-----Original Message-----

From: s.22  
Sent: Thursday, September 29, 2011 11:32 PM  
To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
Subject: Provincial policing debate

Dear Premier Clark

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It has been apparent to us since we moved to BC several years ago that there is an ongoing debate about the future of BC's relationship with its largest police force, the RCMP. Much has been made of the recent "take it, or leave it" offer attached to the 20 year policing contract suggested by the Government of Canada.

My views of the debate are informed primarily, but not exclusively, by observations as a BC voter, my life experience in Ontario where we were served by the OPP, and my time spent in labour relations bargaining.

Truth be told, I could live comfortably with a force staffed by either a provincial police service under the direction of the British Columbia Government, or a federal force of RCMP under contract to BC. Determining what is the better "deal" for British Columbians will take a lot of effort and yet is fairly easy for me to describe both as a taxpayer and as a consumer of government services including policing. I expect three important characteristics in a police force:

- 1) A professional, well resourced, effective police service capable of responding to public safety and law enforcement requirements in a prompt, balanced and competent manner: there when one needs them, and a friendly background presence when one does not need them.
- 2) Accountable to the public they serve through balanced and prompt independent oversight mechanisms that forever remove the affront to impartiality of police investigating themselves when charged with misconduct.
- 3) Prudent use of public funds to deliver the best value commensurate with an effective police service.

If one had lived in Ontario or Quebec one would understand in a practical and comfortable way that a provincial force under the direction of the province is eminently workable. Sometimes

when I read BC media commentary I get an inkling there is a fear factor creeping into the debate when the idea of removal of the federal force is offered as a possibility. It is as if there is a dog whistle frequency undertone which goes something like this: 'Oh my goodness! What if the RCMP get mad at us and just leave! We'll be defenseless. It will be like Port au Prince or Baghdad with shootings, fires and crazed mobs running riot. Well, actually, no it won't. Any transition if it occurs will be orderly and managed. It is in the best interest of both governments that it be so. Let's all remember to breathe.

Funnily enough one might think from news reports that the federal government is holding all the cards and BC is the weaker party in the negotiation. Nothing could be farther from the truth.

BC has two options: keep the RCMP or introduce a provincial force. Ottawa has only one option, and a rather uncomfortable one at that: win the highly desirable contract for policing in BC or deal with the fallout of having over 6,000 surplus officers and a sizeable civilian staff and no place to put them. If the RCMP labour relations contract mandates displacement (sometimes called "bumping") when faced with surplus officers, the spectre of 6,000 plus surplus RCMP officers in BC is a doomsday scenario the Government of Canada could ill afford. I cannot imagine Minister Toewes relishes the possibility of BC saying "No thank-you".

It also mystifies me that a Staff Sergeant in the RCMP Labour Relations function in Vancouver would be sufficiently out of touch to warn no further cost efficiencies can be found. That is simply not true...of any organization. Nor is it true accountability could not be improved. Nor indeed for that matter that service levels could not be improved. What I am unsure of is whether there is a federal party across the table from the BC government willing to negotiate and introduce changes.

If it turns out Ottawa is intractable then the hard work should commence without delay to create a provincial force. A letter of intent stating BC's desire for a provincial force, addressed to Minister Toewes may however prompt a significant change of heart. If not, along with the hard work to create such a provincial force, BC will have the opportunity to interview and select those serving members of the RCMP who would wish to remain in BC but change employers, while saying a polite "No thank-you" to the candidates judged not to meet BC's hiring objectives.

While the establishment of a provincial police force in BC is a huge task I pray it will not be one BC shrinks from if it turns out to be a superior policing option for the voters of the province.

Yours truly,

s.22

## Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX

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**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 10, 2011 7:06 PM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: haveagreatday

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Sunday, October 09, 2011 1:55 PM  
**To:** [premier@gov.bc.ca](mailto:premier@gov.bc.ca); Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** haveagreatday

Make the right decision in Policing BC. Sign the Contract with Harper and Nicholson with existing Chief Chu and Bill Elliott. New officers sure, but when necessary and with agreement of BC taxpayers. You're all ready spending more than you're making. Good to see you're sticking to your guns for the UBCM and all but Policing is an entirely different field. Bargaining chips that you gamble with and don't own is a mistake. We can't afford a Provincial Police Force. Clark and Bond you can't afford the polling numbers. 45 to 38. Stand behind Taxpayers and the working poor and don't make a mistake we can't afford as students should be in High School not prison. New Officers completely Ignorant can't keep up with technology today. All due respect, come on new Police Bosses have a big job that will not be possible in Canada. They don't have the experiece to secure the problems.

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## Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX

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**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 10, 2011 7:12 PM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: rcmp

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**From:**  
**Sent:** Saturday, October 08, 2011 2:42 PM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** rcmp

The rcmp have made some demands about pay increase. The fact is the rcmp have a large percentage of their members in BC. the amount is around 40%. The threat of pulling out of BC is a bluff in my opinion. First off were are they going to put the members? this would cause large scale lay offs and hiring freezes. they are using strong arm tactics to try and force your hand.

The provincial police force is a very viable idea. The cost factor will be high at first but over time this will level out and become cheaper. the average rcmp member cost is around 75, 000 per member. If you pay even 70.000 per member the total cost is a huge in savings over the next 20 years. This gives you a lot more to play with. for example you could start with a 5 year plan of pay increases. starting at 60,000 and after 5 years going to 70,000. the loss of 5,000 in pay is not overwhelming so recruiting local rcmp members who don't want to move out of province is high. you can also give incentives like they will stay at 75,000 if they switch over and a signing bonus for doing so of 5,000. This would also increase the economy with hiring of new members because some will not switch over. The possiblitys are endless

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## Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX

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**From:** Bill, Karen F SG:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 11, 2011 9:41 AM  
**To:** Seifert, Krysta LASS:EX  
**Cc:** Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Provincial Police Force

Yes and Tiny will make it happen. Over to you Tiny.  
Thanks  
Karen

**From:** Seifert, Krysta [mailto:Krysta.Seifert@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 11, 2011 9:40 AM  
**To:** Bill, Karen F SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Provincial Police Force

Hi Karen,

Is it possible to get a ministry response to the following?

Thank you,

**Krysta Seifert**  
Office Assistant to Eric Foster, MLA  
Vernon - Monashee  
telephone: 250.503.3600 | fax: 250.503.3603

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** October-05-11 11:35 AM  
**To:** Foster, MLA, Eric  
**Subject:** Provincial Police Force

Greetings Mr. Foster:

Even without the current media discourse regarding the reinstatement of the RCMP's contract for another twenty years, I've often thought that BC should return to a provincial police force. Actually, law enforcement from the city, municipal, provincial then having federal police entrusted with national security, serious crimes (criminal code and federal offences) would benefit the local communities on-up to the entire country.

Thanks and cheers,

s.22

**Jones, Angela M SG:EX**

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From: Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
Sent: Friday, September 30, 2011 12:10 PM  
To: Minister, SG SG:EX  
Subject: FW: RCMP

-----Original Message-----

From: s.22  
Sent: Friday, September 30, 2011 10:29 AM  
To: Bond.MLA, Shirley  
Subject: RCMP

I think you should let the RCMP go back East. We should get our own police force, but ONLY if they are more accountable for their actions and illegal actions.

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**Jones, Angela M SG:EX**

**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 30, 2011 12:11 PM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Time to move on from the RCMP

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**From:**  
**Sent:** Friday, September 30, 2011 7:53 AM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** Time to move on from the RCMP

It is clear more than ever with the recent RCMP "demand" that we sign a 20 year contract that its time to move on from the RCMP for the major policing in BC. Every major criminologist in BC has been saying this for years but the BC government, so addicted to the cheap policing the RCMP offer, were too blind to the realities of contracting with a federal force. Its time BC buck up, acknowledge that yes municipal/regional policing is more costly BUT the province has 100% control of these officers. The RCMP have done nothing but tarnish their own reputation the past 5 years with scandal after scandal. The RCMP were never designed to be an urban police force and this is clearly more evident today than ever. The have too much say how this province is policed and this is wrong. The BC Government, not Ottawa should dictate how police officers are accountable in this province.

At the very least, the time has come to create a regional police force in Vancouver, Victoria and possible the other cities in the province with more than 100,000 people. As our top criminologists have pointed out as well, these "integrated" units the RCMP are so fond of do not work. The politics between the various departments that participate cause too many problems. Criminals do not stop their activities at municipal boundaries. They treat the Metro area as their own crime playground. Our police should do the same. Do we really need a UBC RCMP detachment when its completely surrounded by the city of Vancouver? The right hand has no clue what the left hand is doing.

And why on earth do we have a integrated traffic safety units and pull officers from their home detachments when almost all RCMP detachments in the lower mainland are under their authorized strength? This province needs its own dedicated highway patrol section like Alberta (Alberta Sheriffs) and put those cops in the IRSU back on the street taking calls for service. Alberta has CLEARLY shown you do not need a police officer to patrol highways, protect their premier and conduct basic surveillance. Visit the Government of Alberta web site and see what their Sheriffs department do for their province. Do we want our police to fight crime in our communities or sit at the side of Highway 1 at 2am trying to write a ticket? Alberta has shown that you can upgrade Sheriff training to meet police standards for traffic enforcement with an 8 week police designed training program. Let the police who spent 6 months at a police academy do what they are trained to do - fight crime.

But its time BC stoop up to the RCMP. Their 6000 members have no where to go so their threat of leaving BC is moot. And those officers who are displaced will be hired by an regional police force created in BC anyways. They'll need a job and we'll have one for them - as a regional police officer accountable to BC.



**Jones, Angela M SG:EX**

**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 30, 2011 12:17 PM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: R.C.M.P. Contract

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 29, 2011 7:20 PM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** R.C.M.P. Contract

Dear Ms. Bond,  
Please "STAND YOUR GROUND" on the Contract with the R.C.M.P They are a disgrace to their uniforms.  
We need a Provincial Police force!!!! If you must sign with them due to time constraints,  
then PLEASE!!!! not longer than Five Years. This a very serious issue Please do not sign unless  
for the latter.  
Yours Sincerely,  
s.22

**Jones, Angela M SG:EX**

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**From:** Bond, MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 30, 2011 12:17 PM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: RCMP contract

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 29, 2011 6:40 PM  
**To:** Bond, MLA, Shirley  
**Cc:** James, MLA, Carole  
**Subject:** RCMP contract

Minister Bond:

Please take the initiative and create a provincial police force to replace the RCMP in British Columbia.

The RCMP was never designed to operate as a municipal department and I understand that Surrey area RCMP may have in excess of 900 members.

A properly created provincial force could be used either in remote regions or urban areas where the municipality chose a provincial force over a municipal one.

Under the present format with the RCMP, direction for the operation of each detachment flows from RCMP headquarters in Ottawa and the local municipal politicians have little if any control over the police force in their community. They also have virtually no ability to budget accordingly given local needs for policing.

It's time to make the change so please don't be coerced by the RCMP into signing another long term agreement.

thank you

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**Jones, Angela M SG:EX**

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**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 30, 2011 12:30 PM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Can you believe this.....CTV this morning re RCMP...

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 29, 2011 1:17 PM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** Re: Can you believe this.....CTV this morning re RCMP...

Dear Minister Ms. Shirley Bond:

Can the provincial gov't possibly be complicit with this totally off the wall expense for the RCMP Surrey?

Dump the RCMP. BCPP much better, you control costs.

This is absolutely horrible!

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And the beat goes on

Dr.R.M.Gordon,  
Professor and Director,  
School of Criminology,  
Simon Fraser University,  
Burnaby, BC V5A 1S6,  
Canada.  
778 782 4305

----- Original Message -----

**From:** s.22  
**To:** rgordon@sfu.ca  
**Sent:** Thursday, 29 September, 2011 09:15:26  
**Subject:** Can you believe this.....CTV this morning re RCMP.....

>From a CTV news article this morning regarding the RCMP contract fiasco by Harper:

The Feds and their love of the RCMP, regardless of whatever:

Article....." He said the cost for the RCMP's yet-to-be completed divisional headquarters in Surrey was originally \$300 million, but the price tag has now risen to \$1.2 billion."

Absolutely stupidly shocking!!!

The 'Big Dig' in Boston took 10 years, included a 10 lane bridge, new arterial connector during the \$3Million/day event, and only cost \$11 billion!

It was the largest construction project, ever.....in the world!

The ALRT to New West cost the same amount as this new mausoleum.  
Tell your BC citizens, and make it loud and clear, to all, please!

Makes me puke at Harper's waste, with no conscience!

While Pete McKay, the pompous rascal, spends \$500,000 per year, for  
4 years = \$2 mln, jetting around on Challenger jets.Â

While Tony Clements sucks taxpayer moneyÂ to his riding, over the G20 meeting.Â And this  
morning the gov. auditor says "We have to find a way to get \$46 Bln....to balance our books".

Harper is an economist?Â With a very ugly retro-reflector in his personality.

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**Jones, Angela M SG:EX**

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**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 30, 2011 12:31 PM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: RCM Police

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 29, 2011 12:23 PM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** RCM Police

Dear Honourable Minsiter

Given that that the Federal Government continues to push the BC Provincila Gov't. for a renewed 20 year contract with the RCMP suggests that our province should examine alternative methods of policing.

The track record of te RCMP over the past 10 years across Canada has been less than acceptable. It is laden with corruption, mismanagement, cover-ups and a general disrespect for the rifghts of ordinary Canadians. Frankly, the RCMP has become a national embarrassment.

Dear Honourable Minister,

British Columbia would do well to seriously consider the re-introduction of a provincial police force that can begin with a clean sheet, pride in its past legacy and with optimism. There are many people like myself who regard the RCMP as a force no longer fit to police. The ever-increasing number of criminal acts perpetrated by its members suggests that their recruiting/training is either woefully inadequate or the membership is intent on working outside the boundaries of the law that it is charged with enforcing.

If the BC Gov't. does decide to resurrect the BC Provincial Police, it should noty make the mistake of permitting members of the RCMP to simply transfer in. That should only be considered if the transfer applicants are willing to undergo full retraining through the BC Justice Institute; otherwise, a new police force would likely wind up with the same inefficiencies and corruption that presently dog the RCMP.

Yurs truly,  
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*FAX To:*

① Christy Clark  
Premier of British Columbia

② Shirley Bond  
Solicitor General of B.C.

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RE: New contract with the RCMP.

The RCMP does not want to be accountable for their wrong doings, which is plentiful in our beautiful province. They only want to be investigated by "other" police. This is all completely unacceptable! In addition, their practice of deliberate abuse, bullying and shooting someone first and talking afterwards is not acceptable and serves no useful purpose but just the opposite!

Take the golden opportunity to let them go! To change the RCMP over to B.C. police would NOT be a big deal. Most members would simply just change their uniforms; however, they would then follow B.C.'s guidelines instead of that of the huge beaurocratic jungle that is called Ottawa. By switching over, we would eliminate all the B.C. based superintendents that report back to Ottawa. There is also the huge cost savings in not having to deal with the transfers and travelling the distance. Then of course the costly prestige practices would slowly dissolve; thus, saving the province money.

Not renewing the RCMP contract and changing over to B.C. Police is an excellent economical decision, but it also ensures accountability. Do this for a better British Columbia!

Sincerely,

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C.C. Ron Canelon, MLA

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Sent: Friday, September 30, 2011 7:34 AM  
To: Minister, SG SG:EX  
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Without Prejudice To Whom It May Concern

BC had the best Police Force in Canada until 1955!

Addressing serious concerns & question why B. C.  
would be interested in contracting the RCMP for 20 years!

Have you read the pertinent information in Bill C-9 -  
MacDonald Commission Legislated 1984.

Why don't you take time from your very busy schedule to remember  
the Air India tragedy in 1985???

Federal Government legislated control of RCMP in 1985 & since, RCMP have been in disarray!

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#641895 -- Macdonald commission 1984 legislation as a result of Macdonald Commission.

Here is a backgrounder on 1984's Bill C-9, CSIS Act:

"The principal recommendation of the Macdonald Commission report was that a civilian security agency be formed. Immediately after the August 1981 release of the McDonald Commission Report, the government indicated its acceptance of the most fundamental recommendation - the creation of a civilian security service. In May 1983, during the first session of the 32nd Parliament, Bill C-157 was introduced in the House of Commons. That bill would have established the Canadian Security Intelligence Service (CSIS), based on the framework suggested by the McDonald Commission. Following the report, Bill C-157 was allowed to die on the order paper. In the second session of the 32nd Parliament a new Bill, C-9, was introduced which incorporated virtually all the recommendations of the Senate Committee. Given first reading in January 1984, Bill C-9 was referred to the Justice Committee of the House of Commons in March, passed third reading in June, and was proclaimed in force in July and August 1984. The legislation, as passed, is virtually identical to the bill that was introduced in January."

Source: Library of Parliament.

Unfortunately, Bill C-9, CSIS Act, is 60 pages long, and is not available electronically. However, the current Act (as amended) is available on the Justice Canada website:

Canadian Security Intelligence Service Act ( R.S., 1985, c. C-23 )

<http://laws.justice.gc.ca/en/C-23/index.html?>

**Jones, Angela M SG:EX**

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**From:** PSSG WEBFEEDBACK SG:EX  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 29, 2011 5:56 PM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: RCMP contract

For logging please. Kathy

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 3:14 PM  
**To:** PSSG WEBFEEDBACK SG:EX  
**Subject:** RCMP contract

Dear minister

May I urge you to replace the RCMP with a provincial police force. I believe the RCMP is beyond reformation; the current Commissioner described it as "terribly broken" and after his best efforts there is no prospect of real systemic change; the almost daily scandals of abuse of power continue.

If the RCMP is replaced I hope there will be legislation to more effectively hold police services accountable to the community, not just financially but also practically.

thank you

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**Sent:** Thursday, September 29, 2011 5:55 PM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: RCMP Contract

For logging please. Thank you, Kathy

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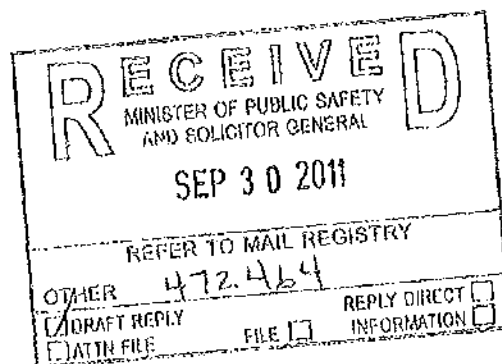
**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 29, 2011 8:26 AM  
**To:** PSSG WEBFEEDBACK SG:EX  
**Subject:** RCMP Contract

Dear Honourable Minister

I am writing as a lifelong BC resident 49 years to ask you not to blink in your negotiations with the federal gov't over RCMP costs and accountability.

I would rather see a regional police or provincial police force than to have another 20 years under the circumstances. I feel very strongly about this.

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**Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX**

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**From:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 13, 2011 7:49 AM  
**To:**  
**Cc:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** RE: RCMP

Thank you for your comments regarding police services in British Columbia. Your position on the matter is noted and we will share your feedback with the Solicitor General for her review and consideration. It will be included in any related discussions.

Thank you again for expressing your views.

-----Original Message-----

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 12, 2011 10:28 PM  
**To:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Subject:** RCMP

Get our own police force. The RCMP leadership has lost touch with reality and the cop on the street.

Quebec demands that a percent ( I have heard 20%) of RCMP recruits come from Quebec. This is from a Province which has its' own Police Force.

Yours truly,

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**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 14, 2011 11:39 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: RCMP

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 13, 2011 5:36 PM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** RCMP

The Honourable Shirley Bond,  
Minister of Public Safety,

I hope you will be interested in some reasons why you should not engage the Feds for the RCMP. Please read this blog. I think that you will find it educational. I believe that the RCMP are out of control in this province. They are not accountable to anyone but themselves. Absolute power corrupts absolutely. I hope you take the time to read this before you sign a contract for RCMP for another 20 years. I think it is time to look elsewhere for policing. I hope this information aids in your decision to look into alternative policing for BC.

25 reasons BC should get rid of the RCMP, starting with Reason #1: Ian Bush

RCMP Constable Andy Yung: Reason #2 to Dump the BC RCMP

Lisa Cheryl Dudley: Reason #3 to Dump the BC RCMP

Thank you for your time and efforts,

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**From:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Friday, October 14, 2011 2:03 PM  
**To:** s.22  
**Cc:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** RE: RCMP Disgrace

Thank you for your comments regarding police services in British Columbia. We will share your feedback with the Solicitor General for her review and consideration.

Thank you again for expressing your views.

pc: Honourable Shirley Bond

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 12, 2011 10:25 PM  
**To:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Cc:** Sultan.MLA, Ralph LASS:EX  
**Subject:** RCMP Disgrace

Dear Premier Clark;

How many more disgusting examples of disgraceful RCMP conduct and official cover-up are you willing to accept before we throw the bums out of our province?

Now is the chance to make the change to a provincial police force. I am sick of one scandal after another. Please don't lock us in to twenty more years with this fallen star. The RCMP is broken. Let's be rid of them.

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**From:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Friday, October 14, 2011 2:19 PM  
**To:** s.22  
**Cc:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** RE: rcmp

Thank you for your comments regarding police services in British Columbia. Your position on the matter is noted and we will share your feedback with the Solicitor General for her review and consideration.

Thank you again for expressing your views.

pc: Honourable Shirley Bond

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Friday, October 7, 2011 11:37 AM  
**To:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Subject:** rcmp

Dear Premier,

I am writing you in regards, to what in my opinion is extortion, by the federal government regarding the rcmp. It is my opinion that no one in their right mind would sign a 20 year deal with a month of deliberation. I strongly urge you to set up a provincial police force, for the following reasons.

1. the rcmp is accountable to no one
2. they describe themselves as 'institutionally corrupt' (rcmp scandal etc.)
- 3 half of all complaints against the rcmp come from BC
4. Criminal behaviour from the rcmp (sex with gang leaders [surrey 6], drug dealing, association with known gang leaders, robbery, assault...

The benefits to a provincial police force

1. they would be answerable to someone
2. it would be WAY cheaper to run
3. it would be easier to root out the bad seeds
4. It is my opinion that a provincial force would lead to a safer province.

Thank you for your time and attention,

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From: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
Sent: Friday, October 14, 2011 2:20 PM  
To: s.22  
Cc: Minister, SG SG:EX  
Subject: RE: Police force

Thank you for your comments regarding police services in British Columbia. Your position on the matter is noted and we will share your feedback with the Solicitor General for her review and consideration. It will be included in any related discussions.

Thank you again for expressing your views. It was good to hear from you.

pc: Honourable Shirley Bond

-----Original Message-----

From: s.22  
Sent: Friday, October 14, 2011 3:58 AM  
To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
Subject: Police force

Dear Mrs Premier

I believe that finally we have a BC Premier that sees the light and is acting responsibly for the people of BC .

I am formally asking the Premier of BC , Cristy Clark . To help BC by ( not signing ) a new contract with the Feds on a new 20 year deal with the RCMP .

With all due respect to the RCMP . It is time for BC to have its own police force , The RCMP cost the BC tax payers far more then three times the cost of our own police force and we do not have any control policing the RCMP anyway . In these times of fiscal responsibility , It does not make any sense in having a very expensive unaccountable police force for another twenty years . The RCMP have also more then proven that it cannot be trusted with public safety and and public accountability . As a BC tax payer and having voted for the BC liberal party , I expect and ask that you do what is in most BC people's mind , Not the have the RCMP serve in BC and to have our own honest accountable police force . This is long over due .

Thank You

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**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 17, 2011 11:13 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: RCMP Contract

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Monday, October 17, 2011 4:57 AM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** RCMP Contract

Dear Minister,

I believe it would be a serious mistake to sign the new RCMP Policing Contract. BC used to have a Provincial Police Force and no one seems to know why it was disbanded? Policing is a Provincial responsibility and I'm sure we can do this better and more be cost effective than the RCMP. While I greatly admire the RCMP and have many friends both retired and still serving, their recent record is anything but sterling. The fault I believe is the RCMP Ottawa Bureaucracy. My firmly held belief is that the RCMP should be re-focused to administer Federal Statutes only.

I think you might find that this is an opinion held by many if not most BC residents not to mention Westerners in general.

Regards, s.22

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**From:** Bond, MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 17, 2011 3:25 PM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: RCMP repeated bad conduct

**From:** |  
**Sent:** Monday, October 17, 2011 11:37 AM  
**To:** Bond, MLA, Shirley  
**Cc:** s.22  
**Subject:** RCMP repeated bad conduct

Minister Bond

This continued repeated and bad conduct by a large percentage of RCMP officers, has become evident that an increasing number of RCMP police officers are breaking the very laws that they are sworn to uphold, is further compounded by only getting a minimal slap on the wrist by senior RCMP staff has made BC our Canadian police force the laughingstock of the world.

BC taxpayers are paying their hard earned taxdollars for receiving substandard sloppy policing, with the RCMP officers themselves breaking the law, from a police force that is paid and mandated to keep and enforce the laws of BC and Canada.

Respectfully I ask you Minister when is this prevarication of so called RCMP justice going to end?

I refer you to the recent ever increasing further reports of bad conduct and bad policing below.

Please remember Minister BC has had enough and we are becoming alarmed at the lack of control from RCMP Senior staff in Ottawa.

[http://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/national/british-columbia/gary\\_mason/shoddy-policing-and-accountability-show-rcmp-in-bc-have-learned-very-little/article2202109/](http://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/national/british-columbia/gary_mason/shoddy-policing-and-accountability-show-rcmp-in-bc-have-learned-very-little/article2202109/)


Thank you

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Editor's Note: We have closed comments on this story for legal reasons. We appreciate your understanding.

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I'm sure the officer's colleagues would say he will be living with this for the rest of his life. But it appears from the chain of events that he did not admit his incompetence until a third and final review by an outside police force found the audio recording. Funny how the RCMP's own review by officers who know their own systems apparently didn't find the audio recording. I know when I genuinely feel remorseful for something I did, I come clean and apologize to whoever deserves an apology. This is the kind of stuff that's ruining the RCMP's reputation. I accept officers will often not be perfect and on rare occasions really screw up. But I cannot accept covering up or downplaying those screwups.

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**From:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 18, 2011 8:48 AM  
**To:** s.22  
**Cc:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** RE: RCMP Contrace

Thank you for your comments regarding police services in British Columbia. Your position on the matter is noted and we will share your feedback with the Solicitor General for her review and consideration. It will be included in any related discussions.

Thank you again for expressing your views. It was good to hear from you.

pc: Honourable Shirley Bond

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Monday, October 17, 2011 8:15 PM  
**To:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Subject:** RCMP Contrace

Dear Premier Clark,

Please count me among the significant portion of the population who demands more oversight of policing in BC than the RCMP provides. The RCMP has proven itself to be a disfunctional force, unaccountable from the top down, and incapable of performing services required to maintain law and order or investigate crimes. The force does not appear to properly screen or train members, punish unprofessional or criminal conduct of members, or coordinate efforts with other police forces for the protection of citizens. I strongly oppose your contracting with the RCMP for policing services for any length of time going forward, let alone for 20 years. We could not possibly do worse by reinstituting a provincial police force to regain control and oversight of policing in BC. Please give the RCMP immediate notice of cancellation of their contract, and commence planning for a provincial force to replace them.

Sincerely,

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October 11th 2011

The Hon. Shirley Bond, Attorney General  
 PO Box 9206  
 Stn Prov Govt  
 Victoria V8W 9J1

Subject: RCMP Contract

Dear Minister:

I request that your Chief of Staff present this letter to you. Let's just look a little at this situation and find out what it is about. I suggest we look at the police forces of three countries:

1. USA: The FBI is the national /federal police force. It does not act as the police force in any State; there are State Police and Municipal Police. While it does have a presence in each State, it does not police any of them.
2. UK: New Scotland Yard is the national police force. It does not police the Country. That function is the responsibility of municipal police.
3. France: The national police is responsible for law and order on a national level, similar to the FBI and New Scotland Yard; again, general policing is a municipal responsibility. These countries obviously believe the national police force should be restricted to only national matters.
4. Canada: Is the ONLY country mentioned where the national police is also the local police. The RCMP is responsible and accountable only to its headquarters in Ottawa, and ultimately to the PM. It is not responsible and accountable to the Provincial Government where it is the police force. Why, then, should the RCMP police provinces and municipalities? When it does so, what is the provincial government's role?

Your predecessor's deputy minister stated that talks were going well to finalise a contract. That was true only while the government of BC was in agreement with the RCMP. When responsibility and accountability to the provincial government were mentioned, talks with the RCMP stalled.

Questions to consider:

1. Why should the BC Government agree to a twenty year contract or any contract at all? There would be no guarantee that costs would not escalate.
2. Why should the BC Government agree that the RCMP is answerable only to their HQ, the federal minister and the PM? The BC Government would have no say at all in the conduct of the RCMP in the Province
3. Why should the BC Government agree that any misdemeanour on the part of the RCMP be investigated by the RCMP itself?

I Recommended that a BC Provincial Police similar to the OPP and QPP be established:

1. Yes, initially there would be a cost to implement the BCPP, but the long-term benefits would far outweigh introductory costs.

2. The BCPP would be made up of members living in the communities, probably on a long-term basis, unlike members of the RCMP who are transferred at the will of their HQ, i.e., there is no sense of belonging, of permanence.
3. It is said that the RCMP is dysfunctional. It does not enjoy a good reputation in the province. An investment in the future where the BC Government is not tied to a contract and where it has control of the police force makes common sense.
4. I have not the least doubt that a decision to establish a BCPP would be very popular with the public, and would certainly positively influence voters in the provincial elections in 2012.

Finally, Minister, some words of encouragement: Do not take the easy way out. Do not sign a contract. You will lose self-respect, the respect of the people of BC, and more. Be courageous, step out into the unknown with the knowledge that we support you, we are with you, you have done the right thing, and in the coming election you will know how we value you and your Party. We are rooting for you. So go on, don't look back!

Yours truly,

s.22

Cc: Honourable Christy Clark, Premier of BC  
PO Box 9041  
Stn Prov Govt  
Victoria V8W 9E1

May 31, 2008.  
BY FAX

The Honourable Minister For Public Safety  
and the Solicitor General,  
Mr. John vanDongen,  
Parliament Buildings,  
Victoria, B. C.

Re: Regional Policing.

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Dear Sir:

Attached find a recent survey conducted by the Vancouver Sun confirming that a vast **majority of Vancouver citizens support creation of a regional police force** to tackle organized crime violence, which continues to spiral throughout the city.

**I would like to add my voice and support to this proposal.**

Gang and organized crime violence has continued unabated for more than 10 years throughout Metro Vancouver and the Fraser Valley. The RCMP is responsible for policing most of Metro Vancouver including: Richmond, Burnaby, Surrey, Langley, North Vancouver, Coquitlam, Port Coquitlam, Pitt Meadows, Maple Ridge, Abbotsford, Chilliwack and Hope. Out of the approximately 150 murders related to gang and organized crime, the RCMP have solved---NONE--- as I understand it. It's not a very impressive record and I don't believe it's unfair to blame the RCMP for the problem--they're wearing the goat horns and they know it.

Further, the RCMP have displayed a complete disregard for accountability in the communities they serve throughout the Province. The number of questionable incidents is staggering. The tasing of Robert Dziekanski by 4 hulking RCMP officers has disgraced the City of Richmond and tarnished Canada's image abroad. And you will notice that in the Dziekanski case, the officers have not been identified and their whereabouts are not known. You would think that at the very least, these officers would want to apologize for their **gross insensitivity** toward Mr. Dziekanski. As a nation we have to get beyond our fascination with the "redcoats," because this Canadian institution and cultural icon is--obviously broken.

As I understand it, the argument for the presence of the RCMP in British Columbia is cost. Yet, I notice on my latest property tax statement that policing

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in Richmond accounts for 21% of the City's annual budget, far greater than any other cost to property owners. It's probably the same in every other jurisdiction. So I ask, how much more could it possibly cost for a Regional Police Force, given that there are considerable economies of scale within a single bureaucracy?

**I would suggest to you that it's time for British Columbia to follow the lead of Quebec and Ontario and create of Provincial police force. At the very least, we need a Metro force in Vancouver.**

In closing, I would add that I am amazed the NDP has not seized upon this issue, as it would play very well in Vancouver and the election is just around the corner.

Regards,

s.22



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## **Public questions police ability to tackle gang crime: survey**

63 per cent of respondents support the creation of a  
regional police force

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Vancouver Sun

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October 16, 2008

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Dear s.22 :

I am responding to your May 31, 2008 facsimile regarding a regional police force for Metro Vancouver and your concerns about the tragic incident that took place at Vancouver International Airport. I apologize for the delay in my reply.

I agree that law enforcement agencies are facing unprecedented challenges as criminals continue to find new ways to exploit technological advances and increased globalization. However, we need to ensure that we avoid intemperate reactions to that problem and remain measured in our responses to deal with the changing face of crime in our communities.

As you may be aware, the Vancouver Police Regionalization Forum was held on February 6, 2008 and was sponsored by Simon Fraser University and the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General. The purpose of the Forum was to have a dialogue on the creation of a regional police service for Metro Vancouver to ensure a full and open discussion on this important issue. There were 170 people in attendance, including local politicians, police board members, police, and other interested parties. Speakers included local Mayors, chiefs of police, and academics. Many of the speakers focused their presentations on the benefits of the Province's current integrated model for policing, while others emphasized the issues facing Vancouver's downtown core.

I am open to further discussions on regionalization; however, this needs to start with the local governments in the lower mainland who pay for these police services. While there was no consensus on how to proceed at our most recent forum, there was a clear understanding that we

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must continue to support what is working and seek ways to further those gains. Police integration is paying dividends and enhancements to that existing model may prove more effective and less costly than full scale police department amalgamation, as well as staying true to community policing.

At the same time it is important to highlight government's existing commitment to law and order:

- There are 900 more police officers on the street than five years ago.
- Since 2001, the Province has lifted the base budget for policing by \$125 million.
- \$140 million in traffic fine revenue has been returned to communities across the province since 2004.
- PRIME, the \$40 million integrated data management system, is now fully functional, allowing all the police agencies in British Columbia to share real time information and intelligence.
- Specialized integrated teams such as the Gang Task Force, the Integrated Homicide Squad and the Combined Forces Special Enforcement Unit have been developed. These teams provide specialized policing services to all member municipalities avoiding duplication and optimizing efficiency. The Province supports these units with an annual investment of \$66 million.
- A relatively new initiative is already paying significant dividends in terms of crime fighting; the development of our Crime Reduction Strategy. The concept is simple, if 50 per cent of a community's crime is connected to ten per cent of offenders, concentrate on that ten per cent. Communities that have embraced these programs have already seen a dramatic reduction in the crime rate especially in property category.

With regard to your concerns about the incident at Vancouver International Airport, as you may know, an independent Commission of Inquiry headed by Appeal Court Justice Thomas R. Braidwood, Q.C. is under way. The inquiry will be conducted into two distinct phases: Phase one will examine and report on the use of CEWs by law enforcement in British Columbia; and phase two will inquire into the death of Mr. Dziekanski. Phase one is a "study" commission into the use, effectiveness and safety of conducted energy weapons in British Columbia by law enforcement agencies other than the RCMP. The study commission held several public forums and received more than 40 submissions. The report for phase one is scheduled to be released November 30, 2008. Phase two is a hearing and study commission and hearings will begin on November 12, 2008. More information about the independent Commission of Inquiry is available on the Commission's website at: <http://www.braidwoodinquiry.ca/>.

In addition, the Chief Coroner for British Columbia has ordered a Coroner's Inquest, as required by law, which will allow for the public presentation of all evidence relating to Mr. Dziekanski's death. The presiding coroner and a five-person jury will hear evidence from subpoenaed

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witnesses in order to determine the facts surrounding the death. The jury will have the opportunity to make recommendations aimed at preventing deaths under similar circumstances in the future as well as other relevant recommendations. The date for this inquest is to be confirmed in the near future.

The Provincial Integrated Homicide Investigation Team (IHIT), which includes members of both the RCMP and Independent Municipal Police Departments, has investigated the incident at the airport to determine if criminal actions occurred. This process is being overseen by an Independent Civilian Observer, appointed by the Commission for Public Complaints Against the RCMP (CPC). More information about the CPC's Independent Observer Pilot Project is available at: [http://www.cpc-cpp.gc.ca/DefaultSite/Whatsnew/index\\_e.aspx?ArticleID=1716](http://www.cpc-cpp.gc.ca/DefaultSite/Whatsnew/index_e.aspx?ArticleID=1716).

Moreover, the RCMP has requested the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP), to review the IHIT investigation to ensure it is thorough and complete. The OPP will be given full access to all evidence and file information, and will have authority to interview witnesses. The OPP will follow up and complete any parts of the investigation, should they determine the issues have not been addressed appropriately.

As well, Mr. Paul Kennedy, Chair of the CPC, has initiated a review into the conduct of the RCMP members present, or engaged in, the arrest of Mr. Dziekanski at the Vancouver International Airport, and the adequacy of the subsequent criminal investigation. In examining the conduct of the RCMP members, the investigation will include whether the RCMP officers involved complied with all appropriate policies, procedures, guidelines and statutory requirements for the arrest and treatment of persons taken into custody. This includes any RCMP directives or guidance related to the handling of persons who cannot communicate in either of Canada's official languages, and whether such policies, procedures and guidelines are adequate.

I am confident that the number and scope of the processes that are currently under way will result in recommendations and actions that will ensure the issues are dealt with appropriately and that similar situations will not occur in the future.

Thank you for taking the time to write. I appreciate your interest in contributing to public safety.

Yours sincerely,

*Original signed by:*

John van Dongen  
Solicitor General

PCSB

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**Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX**

**From:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 26, 2009 4:21 PM  
**To:** s.22  
**Cc:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Vancouver Eastside, gangs, housing

Thank you for your email. Your comments have been noted and we appreciate your taking the time to make us aware of your views on police services in British Columbia. We will ensure that the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General has an opportunity to review your input as well.

It was good to hear from you.

pc: Honourable John van Dongen

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Monday, February 16, 2009 6:19 PM  
**To:** Campbell.MLA, Gordon  
**Subject:** Vancouver Eastside, gangs, housing

Dear Premier Campbell:

Having been Mayor of Vancouver, I expect that you have a comprehensive view of my omnibus topic.

Have you considered that some issues might be better addressed with different management structures? For example, a provincial police force might make sense, as it should offer better coordination, and if funding levels remained constant, the efficiencies achieved should free up resources for more effective policing. I sense that the Lower Mainland could also use a unified government with a ward system. This has been done in other Canadian cities (e.g., Toronto), and it seems to work reasonably well.

I know that you are nearing an election, so it is not a time to open discussions on changes that are not win-win. However, after the election is over, you might think about some of these things, as they could be legacy accomplishments.

regards,

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May 7, 2009

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E-mail: s.22

Dear s.22

I am responding to your February 16, 2009 e-mail addressed to the Honourable Gordon Campbell, Premier, regarding your suggestions to establish a provincial police force. I apologize for the delay in my reply.

Law enforcement agencies are facing unprecedented challenges as criminals continue to find new ways to exploit technological advances and increased globalization. We need to remain flexible in our responses to dealing with the changing face of crime in our communities.

Since 2003, the Province of British Columbia has pursued an integrated service delivery model under which specialized policing teams are created, offering services to all member municipalities. Examples of these units include the Integrated Homicide Investigation Team, the Combined Forces Special Enforcement Unit, and the Integrated Road Safety Units. These integrated units minimize duplication and are proven to be a more efficient and cost-effective method of delivering police services across multiple jurisdictions. Another benefit of the model is to facilitate municipalities in maintaining acceptable levels of community policing.

The Province is currently supporting these initiatives with an annual investment of \$66 million and continues to seek ways to provide enhancements to the current structure.

With regard to your suggestion for replacing the RCMP provincial police force with a 'made in British Columbia' model, there are at least three factors that need to be considered:

- British Columbia would lose the 30 per cent contribution that the federal government pays toward the overall cost of the existing provincial police force;
- The current provincial police force is fundamental to the success of the Province's integrated policing strategy. It provides an essential bridge to the national police force, ensuring a vital link necessary for the success of British Columbia's integrated policing teams; and,

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- A provincial police force that is operated in British Columbia would still have to coordinate and integrate with not only the local independent police forces, but also with the national police force.

The Province takes the allegations of police officers facing criminal charges very seriously and this is reflected in legislation. Under the *Police Act*, the police board may, at any time, discontinue the pay and allowances of a municipal constable, chief constable or deputy chief constable who is under suspension for allegations that, if proven, would constitute a criminal offence. The police officer is entitled to receive his or her full pay and allowances for any unpaid period of the suspension if he or she is acquitted of all charges before a criminal court or if the charges are withdrawn, stayed or otherwise not proceeded with.

You may be aware that the federal Commission for Public Complaints Against the RCMP (CPC) and the provincial Office of the Police Complaint Commissioner (OPCC) (which handles complaints against members of the independent municipal police departments) provide formal complaint processes that are external to police agencies. These are independent agencies established to ensure that public complaints against police are handled fairly and impartially. The following website URL outlines more information about the CPC: [www.cpc-cpp.gc.ca](http://www.cpc-cpp.gc.ca). You may view the OPCC website at: [www.opcc.bc.ca](http://www.opcc.bc.ca).

It may interest you to know that the Province has been working with the federal government on harmonizing police complaint procedures and strengthening the complaints process through legislative change. I have been in contact with the Honourable Stockwell Day, the former Minister of Public Safety, and will be in touch with the Honourable Peter Van Loan, Minister of Public Safety. I believe the federal government recognizes the need for change. I am also working with the RCMP Commissioner, Mr. William Elliott, on these important issues.

Thank you for taking the time to write. I appreciate receiving your support and ideas to enhance public safety in British Columbia.

Sincerely,

*Original signed by:*

David Morhart  
Deputy Solicitor General

pc: The Honourable Gordon Campbell

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**Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX**

**From:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Monday, May 11, 2009 10:51 AM  
**To:** s.22  
**Cc:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: RCMP Embarrassment - Time to get rid of them

Thank you for your email regarding police services in British Columbia. Your comments have been noted and we appreciate receiving them.

As you are aware, the province is currently in an election period. We have forwarded your comments on to the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General for review and consideration.

Thank you again for writing.

pc: David Morhart, Deputy Solicitor General

**From:** Campbell.MLA, Gordon [mailto:Gordon.Campbell.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Friday, May 8, 2009 10:50 AM  
**To:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Subject:** FW: RCMP Embarrassment - Time to get rid of them

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Friday, May 08, 2009 10:47 AM  
**Subject:** RCMP Embarrassment - Time to get rid of them

It is high time that the current (or soon to be elected) government of BC, especially the Premier & Wally Oppal step up to the plate & insist that the 4 RCMP officers who killed Mr. Dziekanski be charged with at least manslaughter but preferably 2<sup>nd</sup> degree murder. Supt. Wayne Rideout should be fired along with every senior officer who stood in front of the TV cameras and lied to the public for over a year. As far as I'm concerned, and I am sure I speak for others, the RCMP are no longer to be believed or trusted. It is time they were replaced with a Provincial force, and in the lower mainland a Regional force, that we can have faith in to do their job & tell the truth rather than trying to make the victims look like the criminals!

The RCMP have given BC & Canada a black eye as far as our world standing is concerned and they need to be dealt with. I say good riddance to bad policing!

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May 25, 2009

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E-mail: s.22

Dear s.22 :

The Honourable Gordon Campbell, Premier, has forwarded to me for response your May 8, 2009 e-mail regarding the tragic death of Mr. Robert Dziekanski and your suggestion of a provincial police force.

The events leading to Mr. Dziekanski's unfortunate death have caused many to question police conduct and police response to persons in crisis. I would like to advise you of some of the processes that took place before, and have occurred since, Mr. Dziekanski's death.

As you may know, the independent Commission of Inquiry headed by Appeal Court Justice Thomas R. Braidwood, Q.C. will examine and report on the use, effectiveness and safety of CEWs in British Columbia, and inquire into and provide a public record of the events leading to the death of Mr. Dziekanski. A report on the portion of the inquiry that addresses the use, effectiveness and safety of CEWs is expected by June 30, 2009. More information about the independent Commission of Inquiry is available on the Commission's website at: [www.braidwoodinquiry.ca](http://www.braidwoodinquiry.ca).

In addition, the Chief Coroner for British Columbia has ordered a Coroner's Inquest, as required by law, which will allow for the public presentation of all evidence relating to Mr. Dziekanski's death. The presiding coroner and a five-person jury will hear evidence from subpoenaed witnesses in order to determine the facts surrounding the death. The jury will have the opportunity to make recommendations aimed at preventing deaths under similar circumstances, as well as other relevant recommendations. The date for this inquest is to be confirmed in the near future and will be available on the BC Coroners Service website at: [www.pssg.gov.bc.ca/coroners/schedule/index.htm](http://www.pssg.gov.bc.ca/coroners/schedule/index.htm).

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The Provincial Integrated Homicide Investigation Team (IHIT), which includes members of both the RCMP and Independent Municipal Police Departments, investigated the incident at the airport to determine if criminal actions occurred. Also, the Ontario Provincial Police reviewed the IHIT investigation at the RCMP's request to ensure its thoroughness and completeness. Moreover, the investigation was overseen by an Independent Civilian Observer, appointed by the Commission for Public Complaints Against the RCMP (CPC) who, upon completion of its assessment, concluded that there were no identified issues related to the impartiality of the investigation. More information about the CPC's Independent Observer Pilot Project is available at: [www.cpc-cpp.gc.ca/prr/rep/opp/fsp-rsf/fVancouverIA-eng.aspx](http://www.cpc-cpp.gc.ca/prr/rep/opp/fsp-rsf/fVancouverIA-eng.aspx).

Finally, the Criminal Justice Branch of the Ministry of Attorney General did not proceed with criminal charges against the officers involved in this incident.

In 2007, Mr. Paul Kennedy, Chair of the CPC, initiated a public complaint into the conduct of the RCMP members present at, or engaged in, the arrest of Mr. Dziekanski at the airport. The CPC will assess conduct of the RCMP members involved in the incident and that of the RCMP officers involved in the criminal investigation of the members involved in the events leading to the death of Mr. Dziekanski. The CPC will also examine the adequacy of the RCMP's policies, procedures and guidelines for the conduct of such an investigation. More information about this CPC's Chair-initiated complaint is available at: [www.cpc-cpp.gc.ca/prr/rep/rev/chair-pre/cic-robertD-07-eng.aspx](http://www.cpc-cpp.gc.ca/prr/rep/rev/chair-pre/cic-robertD-07-eng.aspx).

I am confident that the number and scope of the processes that are currently under way will result in recommendations and actions that will ensure the issues are dealt with appropriately and that similar situations will not occur in the future.

The RCMP has been serving as the Provincial Police Force in British Columbia since 1950. There are over 6,500 RCMP members, as well as over 2,500 police officers in independent police departments, who do an exceptional job every day.

I wish to convey to you that I have confidence in the police and strongly support and recognize their commitment to protecting British Columbians. Police agencies work hard to meet the expectations and service requirements of the communities in which they serve. Police must be responsive to community needs and the large majority of communities speak highly of their police.

I also recognize that policing is complex and officers are often involved in difficult situations where quick decisions must be made, including confrontational situations in which use of force is required. In these situations, errors can occur and police officers must be held accountable for their actions.

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There are a number of ways that ensures this accountability. Police officers, like all individuals, are subject to the rule of law and must act within the provisions of the *Constitution Act*, the *Criminal Code of Canada*, and other laws. Police agencies have internal review processes and policies in place to ensure that complaints are recorded and investigated as required. The federal Commission for Public Complaints Against the RCMP and the provincial Office of the Police Complaint Commissioner provide formal complaint processes that are external to police agencies. These are independent agencies established to ensure that public complaints against police are handled fairly and impartially.

The federal government appointed the Brown Task Force to examine governance and cultural change in the RCMP. That report was made public on December 14, 2007 and provided 49 recommendations for renewal. They call for far-reaching changes to the governance, culture and accountability mechanisms of the RCMP. These changes are welcome and necessary, as creating a more responsive and well managed force and will benefit every jurisdiction that receives services from the RCMP.

In addition, the Province has been working with the federal government on harmonizing police complaint procedures and strengthening the complaints process through legislative change. The Solicitor General has been in contact with the Honourable Stockwell Day, the former Minister of Public Safety Canada, and will be in touch with the new Minister, the Honourable Peter Van Loan. I believe the federal government recognizes the need for change. Mr. William Elliott, RCMP Commissioner, is also working with this ministry on these important issues.

Given the different policing models across Canada, it is also important to recognize that each province will strive to establish oversight mechanisms that effectively meet the needs of that individual province. I want to ensure that we have the most appropriate model that meets the needs of all British Columbians.

I appreciate your concerns regarding public safety and thank you for taking the time to write.

Sincerely,

*Original signed by:*

David Morhart  
Deputy Solicitor General

pc: The Honourable Gordon Campbell  
PCSB

Approved wording applied by Janai Smith

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**Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX**

**From:** Coleman.MLA, Rich [Rich.Coleman.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Monday, May 11, 2009 10:36 AM  
**To:** Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: The RCMP in BC

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 10, 2009 10:38 AM  
**To:** Coleman.MLA, Rich  
**Subject:** The RCMP in BC

Dear Minister

I am writing to express my profound disappointment with the recent performance of the RCMP.

Last night video was aired of three uniformed RCMP officers escorting an 83 year old man in handcuffs because he was jaywalking. He was apparently jaywalking to get to a restroom quickly because of a prostate issue. He claims as a result of the arrest he soiled himself twice. They claim this was a result of him carrying a 'metal rod' - turns out that might have been cane.

They must be very proud of the work they did on the public's behalf that day.

When you combine that video with facts revealed at the Dziekanski Inquiry, the subsequent apology, police gunfights at crowded malls, a total inability to deal with gang violence I think you see a very serious problem.

Minster the RCMP has skated along on the image of the Musical Ride for far too long. Many, including me, have lost confidence in the RCMP and believe it is time for it to be straightened out or disbanded for everything but ceremonial purposes. I think the Province of BC would be better off with either a regional police force - other than the RCMP - in the lower mainland or a provincial police force.

I appreciate your time.

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May 22, 2009

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E-mail:

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Dear

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The Honourable Rich Coleman, MLA for Fort Langley-Aldergrove, has forwarded for response your May 10, 2009 e-mail regarding police oversight in British Columbia.

I believe that it is important for citizens to have confidence in the police, their investigative abilities, and commitment to protecting British Columbians. There are a number of ways that police officers are held accountable for their actions. I would like to assure you that police officers are not above the law, and can be charged with a criminal offence. Police officers, like all individuals, are subject to the rule of law and must act within the provisions of the *Constitution Act*, the *Criminal Code of Canada*, and other laws.

In order to ensure that police officers are held to account for their actions, police agencies have high standards regarding code of conduct and ethics, and internal review processes and policies are in place to ensure that complaints are recorded and investigated as required. In fact, you may be aware that issues regarding the current process were raised in the Brown Task Force report, "Rebuilding the Trust: Task Force on Governance and Cultural Change in the RCMP," which was released on December 14, 2007. Recommendations in the report included improving the timeliness of the disciplinary and grievance system, and creating one Independent Commission for Complaints and Oversight of the RCMP. You may view the report by visiting the following website address: [www.ps-sp.gc.ca/rcmp-grc/report-rapport-eng.aspx](http://www.ps-sp.gc.ca/rcmp-grc/report-rapport-eng.aspx).

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It may interest you to know that an amendment was introduced by government on March 4, 2009, in Bill 6 – Police (Misconduct, Complaints, Investigations, Discipline and Proceedings) Amendment Act, 2009.

Government agrees that discipline authorities have a key responsibility in handling complaints under the *Police Act*. Under Bill 6, if a complaint is made directly to the Police Complaint Commissioner, the Commissioner must immediately notify the discipline authority. Bill 6 may be viewed at the following website:  
[www.leg.bc.ca/38th5th/1st\\_read/gov06-1.htm](http://www.leg.bc.ca/38th5th/1st_read/gov06-1.htm).

This will ensure complaints are not incorrectly characterized as internal complaints, and will remove a perception of bias on the part of discipline authorities from the process. It will also help to ensure timelier and appropriate investigations.

With regard to your suggestion for replacing the RCMP provincial police force with a 'made in British Columbia' model, there are at least three factors that need to be considered:

- British Columbia would lose the 30 per cent contribution that the federal government pays toward the overall cost of the existing provincial police force;
- The current provincial police force is fundamental to the success of the Province's integrated policing strategy. It provides an essential bridge to the national police force, ensuring a vital link necessary for the success of British Columbia's integrated policing teams; and,
- A provincial police force that is operated in British Columbia would still have to coordinate and integrate with not only the local independent police forces, but also with the national police force.

Thank you for taking the time to write. I appreciate receiving your support and ideas to enhance public safety in British Columbia.

Sincerely,

*Original signed by:*

David Morhart  
Deputy Solicitor General

pc: The Honourable Rich Coleman  
PCSB Approved wording applied by Janai Smith

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**Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX**

**From:** Frew, Keith [Keith.Frew@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 12, 2009 2:14 PM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: BC Police Provincial Force  
**Attachments:** "AVG certification"

**From:**  
**Sent:** August-12-09 2:08 PM  
**To:** Heed.MLA, Kash  
**Subject:** BC Police Provincial Force

Hello Sir,

I understand you may support the idea of BC having its own Provincial Police force.

I would like to let you know that I support this idea fully. The province would be a far better served by having its own force and leaving the RCMP to handle federal matters.

Thank you, s.22

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November 27, 2009

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E-mail: s.22

Dear :

I am responding to your August 12, 2009 e-mail in which you expressed your support for the creation of a provincial police force. I apologize for the delay in responding.

Law enforcement agencies are facing unprecedented challenges as criminals continue to find new ways to exploit technological advances and increased globalization. We need to remain flexible in our responses to dealing with the changing face of crime in our communities. Since 2003, the Province of British Columbia has pursued an integrated service delivery model under which specialized policing teams are created, offering services to all member municipalities. Examples of these units include the Integrated Homicide Investigation Team, the Combined Forces Special Enforcement Unit, and the Integrated Road Safety Units. These integrated units minimize duplication and are proven to be a more efficient and cost-effective method of delivering police services across multiple jurisdictions. Another benefit of the model is to facilitate municipalities in maintaining acceptable levels of community policing. The Province is currently supporting these initiatives with an annual investment of \$66 million and continues to seek ways to provide enhancements to the current structure.

British Columbia continues to lead negotiations with the federal government for renewal of the RCMP contract in 2012. I can assure you that issues of increasing accountability and transparency are of the utmost importance as we move forward.

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Thank you for taking the time to write. I appreciate receiving your questions and ideas to enhance public safety in British Columbia.

Yours truly,

*Original signed by:*

Kash Heed  
Solicitor General

PCSB

Approved wording applied by Janai Smith

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## Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX

**From:** Frew, Keith [Keith.Frew@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 1, 2009 11:41 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: RCMP

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** October-01-09 11:35 AM  
**To:** Heed,MLA, Kash  
**Subject:** RCMP

We must take advantage of the current contract expiring to get rid of the RCMP. They are a costly disaster in BC. I shouldn't have to remind you of their conduct.....eg, killing a young bright kid for the crime of having an open bottle of beer outside a dance hall (Burns Lake), killing a visitor for the crime of not speaking either official language. (Dziekanski). Corruption in the RCMP runs right from the top (the pension scandal involving both the incumbent commissioner and his replacement, Ms. Brown) their first priority is in covering their asses, and no amount of public money is too much for this purpose. Spending of money-the most outrageous example is the \$ 1,000,000,000 they asked for to cover a non-existing security threat to the Olympics! This money is for controlling the citizens who are paying for the games, watch for the lasers and tear gas! Get rid of those demigods before they cause riots in BC

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November 27, 2009

s.22  
E-mail: s.22

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Yours truly,

*Original signed by:*

Kash Heed  
Solicitor General

PCSB

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**From:** Frew, Keith [Keith.Frew@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 1, 2009 8:51 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Policing contract.

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** September-30-09 6:49 PM  
**To:** Heed, MLA, Kash  
**Subject:** Policing contract.

Mr Heed:

I see the news is once again pointing at the RCMP and rumors have indicated that a Provincial Police force is being considered.

I feel the RCMP is a major icon in this Province as well as Canada.

They are hammering us for their old school way of doing business and we are paying through the nose for it. Provinces like Alberta have caught on and are moving for a better and cheaper way of Policing this day and age. They have moved fwd to hire the Sheriff's to take over Highway patrol, Counter Attack, major Provincial events, In-tel and guarding the Premaire. These are all duties that the RCMP are still doing here in BC and we are paying the big bill for.

Think about it, if a Rg Cst is making 74,000 a year and an Alberta Sheriff doing HP is bring in a salary of 58,000 to 60,000 to do the same job, what tab at the end of the day would you like to anti up for. ??? The Alberta Sheriffs Tripled the tickets written by the RCMP HP division in Alberta the second year they where put on the streets. This is revenue going stright into the pockets of the Alberta Government. Here in BC we have BC Sheriff's and CVSE officers that can be doing the same job at a lot less money. Sheriffs in BC are already PO's armed and with code three equipment and training. The RCMP could also think of going to a Special Cst appointment "at a reduced salary" to run such things as HP, jails, Warrants, boats, Summer assistance ect.

This way of thinking could move already trained Police officer back to GD duties filling holes through out the Province.

Just a thought

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Yours truly,

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**From:** Frow, Keith [Keith.Frow@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 6, 2009 9:14 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: The RCMP


**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** October-05-09 5:21 PM  
**To:** Heed.MLA, Kash  
**Subject:** Re: The RCMP

Dear Mr. Heed,  
I read in the newspaper about your desire to make the RCMP more accountable to the people of BC. I applaud your intent and urge you to push for full accountability by the RCMP and if they won't, then BC should have its own police force.

Regards

s.22

PS While I support the Olympics, I also urge you to ensure the people be allowed to protest the Olympics as they chose, as is their right. Canada should show the world of our tolerance of difference of opinions.

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The RCMP-led Vancouver 2010 Integrated Security Unit (ISU) is responsible for the planning and implementation of security for the 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games (the Games). ISU is working with the host municipalities, police forces of jurisdiction and federal agencies in the development of security plans during the Games. ISU and federal law enforcement partners are working within existing principles and practices in the areas of privacy and civil liberties. I am confident that security planning for the 2010 Winter Olympic and Paralympic Games respects Canadian laws and values. ISU and federal law enforcement partners will continue to protect the rights of Canadians to voice their opinions using lawful methods and activities, while protecting the public's right to attend the Games in peace and safety without disruption. Thank you once again for taking the time to write with your concerns and for your interest in increasing public safety in British Columbia.

Yours truly,

*Original signed by:*

Kash Heed  
Solicitor General

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**Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX**

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**From:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 20, 2009 3:47 PM  
**To:** s.22  
**Cc:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** RE: RCMP in BC

Thank you for your email regarding police services in British Columbia. Your comments have been noted and we will ensure that the minister responsible, the Honourable Kash Heed, has an opportunity to review your feedback as well.

Again, thank you for writing. It was good to hear from you.

-----Original Message-----

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Monday, October 5, 2009 11:22 AM  
**To:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Cc:** Jack Layton, Leader NDP; Prime Minister Steven Harper; Michael Ignatieff; James.MLA, Carole A LASS:EX; Corrigan.MLA, Kathy LASS:EX  
**Subject:** RCMP in BC

Premier Campbell,

The Mounties in BC have mis-behaved so much that it is time to get rid of them. I suggest that you end the RCMP contract and replace it with two new BC forces. Traffic control should go to the Ministry of Highways. General policing should be done by a new BC Police Force.

The RCMP should only have federal obligations in BC and maybe posing for tourists.

All investigations of police conduct should be handled publicly by a civilian review board.

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November 27, 2009

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Yours truly,

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Solicitor General

pc: The Right Honourable Stephen Harper  
The Honourable Gordon Campbell  
Mr. Michael Ignatieff, M.P.  
Mr. Jack Layton, M.P.  
Ms. Carol James, MLA  
Ms. Kathy Corrigan, MLA

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The Hon. Kash Heed  
Solicitor General  
British Columbia Government  
Victoria B.C.

October 23 2009

Dear Sir;

On the 18 October 2009 an article appeared in the Times-Colonist suggesting that the government consider creating a Provincial Police Force to replace the RCMP. I am sure you are aware that BC had such a force ,the BC Provincial Police served this province for ninty-two years from 1858 to 1950. The BCPP was the oldest territorial police force in North America and had many first's to its credit. It was the first force in North America to have Two-Way radio communication, this was developed totally in-house ,also the first to have a centralized Criminal Investigation Unit, Highway Patrol and much more.

During the summer of 2008 to help celabrate BC 150 birthday, The Sooke Lions in co-operation with the Sooke Historical Society, put together an exhibit in Sooke ,celebrating the history of the BCPP , "Ninty-Two Years Of Pride" We were fortunate to have the Hon. Wally Opall give the opening address. By all accounts the exhibit was huge success and we hope to have a permanent exhibit in the near future. The point of all this is ,we have a great foundation, on which, a new and moderized version of that great force could be built.

I am taking the liberty of sending you a book written by former BCPP Cst. and retired RCMP Superintendant ,Don Brown .This is yours to keep and I hope it will give you both insight and pleasure.

Yours Truly;

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December 22, 2009

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Dear s.22 ;

I am responding to your October 23, 2009 letter regarding your support for the creation of a provincial police force. Thank you for writing with your comments and for the informative book titled "Why? The Last Years of the British Columbia Provincial Police 1858 – 1950". I apologize for the delay in responding.

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Kash Heed  
Solicitor General

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Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX

From: s.22  
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2009 5:29 PM  
To: Minister, SG SG:EX  
Cc: Office of the Premier, Office PREM:EX; Corrigan, MLA, Kathy LASS:EX; James, MLA, Carole A LASS:EX; Prime Minister Steven Harper; Michael Ignatieff; Jack Layton, Leader NDP  
Subject: Re: RCMP

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Minister Heed,

Thank you for your letter but it does not reassure me. After the scandals of the last couple of years, particularly the killing of Robert Dziekanski, I no longer trust the RCMP. I do not want the Province to renew its contract with the RCMP. To the contrary, I want an end to it.

I want the RCMP out of British Columbia.

As well, Minister Heed, your letter does not reassure me. You make it look like it is business as usual with the RCMP. You mentioned accountability and transparency. I expect you, in your position, to tackle RCMP brutality head on. I don't expect you to negotiate with the RCMP in any way. I expect you to remove Tasers from the RCMP. I expect you to demand accountability and transparency. I expect you to set the standards.

Regards,

s.22

**Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX**

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**From:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 3, 2009 3:30 PM  
**To:** s.22  
**Cc:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** RE: THE RCMP. ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

Thank you for your email regarding police services in British Columbia. Your comments regarding the RCMP have been noted and we will ensure that the minister responsible, the Honourable Kash Heed, has an opportunity to review your personal feedback as well.

Again, thank you for sharing your views.

pc: Honourable Kash Heed

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 18, 2009 10:10 AM  
**To:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Subject:** THE RCMP. ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

DEAR SIR,

THIS ONCE LEGENDARY FORCE HAS NOW BECOME A NATIONAL EMBARRASSMENT . PLEASE  
CONSIDER REPLACING IT

WITH A PROVINCIAL POLICE FORCE THAT SHOULD BE MORE ACCOUNTABLE FOR THEIR  
ACTIONS.

s.22

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Yours truly,

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Kash Heed  
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**Armstrong, Cathy E SG:EX**

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Saturday, December 26, 2009 4:26 PM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** Re: Police

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Thankyou, Sir, for your reply. I would like to make two main points arising out of your comments.

(1) My paper was in regard to municipal policing as opposed to provincial policing but many of the same arguments apply. I have compiled a substantial list of reasons supporting an argument for a provincial police force but I have not yet reduced it to narrative form. I would be pleased to discuss this with your officials.

(2) I urge you and your other provincial counterparts to not rely too heavily on federal promises of greater RCMP accountability or any proposed provincial policy which strives for such. I was in the system during past negotiations and while lip service and promises are made, I see the same problems of the past still exist. You might wish to consider that when BC was leading the other western provinces towards reducing/eliminating RCMP contracts, the Commissioner of the RCMP convinced the D/AG that understanding and co-operation would improve if there was an exchange programme of senior managers. Our D/AG agreed. He created the Police Services Branch and a senior federal ADM (who had managed the Security and Intelligence "desk" of the RCMP) was seconded to BC to manage policing. Not surprisingly, there was no further leadership from BC on the matter of abolishing the RCMP. I wonder if that Deputy ever awoke to the fact that the RCMP had neatly slipped a double agent into his ministry. Of interest, at the time of my retirement many years later, there were no further such exchange secondments.

As I write this on 26 DEC 09 I am aware that a Mr TATCHELL of your Ministry has left a "voice mail" for me during my recent absence. He invites me to call him to "discuss my concerns." Without wishing to play on words, my objective here is simply to offer what expertise I might have gained in some 38 years in various forms of law enforcement which included  
s.22 Simply stated, I wish to help, not be part of the problem. I will call Mr TATCHELL after the holidays and perhaps your staff would be kind enough to supply him with the previous correspondence.

s.22

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**To:** s.22  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 23, 2009 12:02 PM  
**Subject:** Police

s.22

**Email:** s.22

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I am responding to your October 1, 2009 email in which you expressed your support for the creation of a provincial police force. Thank you for taking the time to write with your thoughts and ideas. I apologize for the delay in responding.

The current provincial and municipal RCMP contracts expire in March 2012. The parties aim to have a draft Agreement in Principle by June 2010, allowing nearly two years for final negotiation, ratification and implementation. As you may be aware, the federal government and the contracting provinces and territories are currently engaged in a collaborative, interest-based process to achieve a new policing contract. This

process consists of two phases: an information sharing and research phase, and a negotiation phase. There are three contracts in British Columbia:

- 1) the Provincial Police Services Agreement (PPSA) is the agreement for provincial police services between the federal and provincial governments;
- 2) the Municipal Police Agreement is the agreement for municipal police services between the federal and provincial governments (only British Columbia has this arrangement – other Provinces allow the federal government to contract directly with their municipalities); and,
- 3) the Municipal Police Unit Agreements are individual police unit agreements between the provincial government and municipalities over 5,000 population that elect to be policed by the RCMP.

British Columbia cochairs the Contract Advisory Committee with Public Safety Canada, whereby every Province and Territory with an RCMP Contract has a seat on the committee. The key themes of the negotiation from the Provinces' and Territories' perspective are:

- Changing the relationship between the contracting partners - from clientbased to partnership (this will be reflected in the new Preamble to the agreement);
- Expanding on the operational and financial accountability mechanisms in the agreement; and,
- Cost containment.

Attaining agreement on contract language that supports these three key themes is critical to British Columbia. The Province has also expressed a strong desire for a new RCMP complaints process to be in place prior to the new Contract being signed. Public Safety Canada has engaged in fairly extensive policy development consultations with Provinces and Territories. A local government representative, Mr. Murray Dinwoodie, has been selected by the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) to keep municipalities apprised of the contract renewal process. Mr. Dinwoodie attends the Contract Advisory Committee meetings as an observer and provides the British Columbia Negotiating Team with municipal input gathered through a working group established by the UBCM.

Given the different policing models across Canada, it is also important to recognize that each province will strive to establish oversight mechanisms that effectively meet the needs of that individual province. I want to ensure that we have the most appropriate model that meets the needs of all British Columbians.

Yours truly,

Kash Heed

Solicitor General

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MR KASH HEED Feb 10-2010  
PUBLIC SAFETY MINISTER

Sir,

I must remark on the actions of the R.C.M.P. The police have been using unnecessary force on many occasions. The use of TASERS, when pepper spray would have done the job. Shootings and violence on their part.

I believe its time to revert to the Provincial police. Take any two times during the day and drive past any R.C.M.P. station, you will see that almost all the police cars are parked - why. Ninety percent of police work is very simple and of no danger. Officers should work till age sixty five. I believe after 20 yrs they receive a cushy pension. Let them work till age sixty five as most workers do. Look at the total cost to the taxpayer for the luxury.

Why are so many law breakers arrested and then let free to carry on. We no longer are protected by law. We need penitentiaries. I have enclosed two articles showing how bad our laws are, we breed crime.

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Dear s.22 ;

I am responding to your February 10, 2010 letter regarding police accountability. Thank you for taking the time to share your views and for enclosing the newspaper articles. There are a number of ways that police officers are held accountable for their actions. Police officers are not above the law, and can be charged with a criminal offence. Police officers, like all individuals, are subject to the rule of law and must act within the provisions of the *Constitution Act*, the *Criminal Code of Canada*, and other laws. A transparent and accountable police complaints process is integral to ensuring public confidence in police.

While our *Police Act* Amendment is new, the scrutiny it reflects and responds to is not. Police accountability was the theme of Judge Joe Wood's review of British Columbia's complaint process, and it is also reflected in the recent Braidwood commission report on TASER use. The changes will increase independent civilian oversight of the police complaint process and British Columbia's municipal forces.

British Columbia's police complaint commissioner will now oversee complaint-handling from the time a complaint is submitted – and provide advice and direction throughout, to protect the public interest. The expanded complaint process will also make it easier for the public to file complaints. Notably, this legislation affects all of our municipal police. We expect equity and consistency in investigating all police complaints in British Columbia.

We anticipate that Ottawa will be moving forward with legislation for the RCMP that allows for delegation of the RCMP complaint process to the Province. In the interim, the RCMP is putting in place policy that allows for delegation to the provinces. We have advised the federal government that we want the new legislation in place regarding RCMP complaints before we sign the new contract.

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I am pleased that the BC Association of Chiefs of Police brought forward a proposal to form a civilian-led integrated unit of both RCMP and municipal officers to investigate the criminal aspects of police involved incidents leading to serious injury or death. We are examining the feasibility of their proposal and the many issues surrounding it, including funding and resources and how we work with municipal and federal governments who have a role to play as well. However, we also want to make sure that we have the best model for British Columbia, and that we are able to consider all of the most relevant information – so it is important that we allow Commissioner Braidwood to finish the second part of his public inquiry and so that we will have the benefit of his recommendations.

Yours truly,

*Original signed by:*

Kash Heed  
Solicitor General

PCSB

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## **Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX**

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**From:** Sproule, Spencer SG:EX  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 25, 2010 9:37 AM  
**To:** Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: one police force

For response

**From:** Sims, Brian S AG:EX  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 25, 2010 9:36 AM  
**To:** Sproule, Spencer SG:EX  
**Subject:** Fw: one police force

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**From:** Coleman.MLA, Rich <Rich.Coleman.MLA@leg.bc.ca>  
**To:** Sims, Brian S AG:EX  
**Sent:** Wed Aug 25 08:27:06 2010  
**Subject:** FW: one police force

Hi Brian;

I just got back from holidays and can't find a previous letter on this subject. I can find an e-mail from s.22 regarding online gambling of just a couple of weeks ago.

If this is what he is referring to then he will just have to wait for a response.

Can you please respond to this e-mail though about police?

Thank you

Sheryl Strongitharm, CA  
For Rich Coleman, MLA  
Fort Langley-Aldergrove  
604-882-3151

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** August-24-10 9:43 PM  
**To:** Coleman.MLA, Rich  
**Subject:** one police force

Mr. Coleman

As a result of reading about the LePard report in the Vancouver Sun, I am writing again (this is the second time. You never bothered to respond to my first letter.) to request that you give serious consideration to implementing one police force across the Lower Mainland.

The most senior police officers are saying that the current patch work approach does not work.

Isn't it time to get your head out of the sand, and work to implement a better approach.

And please, do not send me any political claptrap about how successful the Integrated Homicide Investigation Team has been. That is just smoke and mirrors, and you know it.

s.22

Text Attachment: Log ID 387970

**Response**

From: SG Policing and Community Safety Branch SG:EX  
Sent: Tuesday, August 31, 2010 10:38 AM  
To: s.22  
Subject: Provincial Police Force

s.22  
E-mail: s.22

Dear s.22

Your August 24, 2010 e-mail addressed to the Honourable Rich Coleman, Minister of Housing and Social Development, regarding your support for a provincial police force, has been referred to the Policing and Community Safety Branch with the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General. Thank you for writing.

As you are aware, the RCMP contract will expire in 2012. The Province is currently involved in discussions with Public Safety Canada regarding the renewal of the contract. A draft agreement is being developed concurrently with the negotiations that support the three key theme of the negotiation; changing the relationship from client-based to a real partnership; expanding on the operational and financial accountability mechanisms in the agreement; and, cost containment. The key issue that British Columbia has identified is the need for greater transparency and accountability. We are pleased with the progress the negotiating teams are making.

There is mutual benefit to contract policing, as an effective national policing model to address the cross jurisdictional (i.e., municipal, provincial, territorial, national and international) and evolving nature of crime. Some of the other benefits include:

- Facilitating the flow of intelligence between all levels of policing;
- Having a direct connection, through the RCMP, between local, national and international policing that is important to modern policing and security of infrastructure and communities;
- Having RCMP members available for redeployment; and,
- Sharing the costs and use of common police and administrative services.

Contract policing is cost shared because it is jointly advantageous to provinces, territories, municipalities and the federal government (provinces and territories pay 70 per cent and municipalities over 15,000 population pay 90 per cent).

I appreciate the time you took to write with your views.

Policing and Community Safety Branch  
Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General  
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## Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX

**From:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 25, 2010 3:37 PM  
**To:** s.22  
**Cc:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** RE: THOUGHTFUL ARTICLE BY BOB STEWART

Thank you for your email regarding police services in British Columbia. Your support for a provincial police force is noted and we have asked the minister responsible, the Honourable Michael de Jong, to include your personal feedback in any related discussions.

Again, thank you for writing.

pc: Honourable Michael de Jong

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Monday, August 23, 2010 2:55 PM  
**To:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Cc:** Sharon Gaetz; Les.MLA, John LASS:EX  
**Subject:** Fw: THOUGHTFUL ARTICLE BY BOB STEWART

The Honourable Gordon Campbell MLA  
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Sir:

The below noted article by retired Chief Constable Bob Stewart VPD certainly has merit! I firmly believe that the evidence demands a verdict!

The RCMP are NOT, in my opinion, providing honest and complete policing services for British Columbians! I will qualify that statement by stating that I am also retired from a total of 38 years in federal, provincial and municipal law enforcement....in British Columbia!

I am confident and am in agreement with Chief Stewart, that if a forensic audit were to take place in every city and municipality occupied by the federal police, the wastage in budgets, manpower and equipment usage would be staggering!

It is time to put this poorly led, mismanaged, unaccountable, dysfunctional, failed social engineering experiment called the RCMP on the bus and ship them back to their political masters in Ottawa!

British Columbia would be best served by a Provincial Police Force.....remember our history.....the BC Provincial Police was one of the finest in North America!

Residents of British Columbia deserve a provincial police force.....one accountable to them....and to our Provincial Government!

I am, Sir,  
Yours very truly,

s.22



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<http://www.theprovince.com/news/What+behind+Victoria+RCMP+obsession/3426978/story.html>

## Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX

**From:** Coleman.MLA, Rich [Rich.Coleman.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 17, 2010 11:25 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: about the future of the R.C.M.P.

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** November-16-10 6:11 PM  
**To:** Coleman.MLA, Rich  
**Subject:** about the future of the R.C.M.P.

Dear Hon minister,

i understand that now the government is negotiating with the federal about renewing the contract for the R.C.M.P. ,i would like to suggest that now is time to tell Ottawa that we want to have our own provincial police.

the R.C.M.P. is a federal police service,it may cost cheaper to maintain,but over the years there has been number of scandals,like the polish man who was tasered at Y.V.R. airport,this was a real disgrace.in fact most of the people in B.C. wants to have a provincial police,as government,you should see what the people want and not just do what you all think is right.just example the H.S.T. the premier made a mistake by forcing it into the people and the people resisted.so i suggest that you hold town hall meeting or ask the people what they really want.do they want to have the Mounties as their police service or they want to have their own provincial police?thanks for your time to go through this

sincerely

s.22

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January 10, 2011

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E-mail: s.22

Dear s.22

I am responding to your November 16, 2010 e-mail regarding a provincial police force and police accountability. I appreciate the time you took to express your views.

As you are aware, the RCMP contract will expire in 2012. The Province is currently discussing renewal of the contract with Public Safety Canada. A draft agreement is being developed concurrently with the negotiations that support the three key themes of the negotiation: changing the relationship from client-based to a full partnership; expanding on the operational and financial accountability mechanisms in the agreement; and cost containment. The key issue that British Columbia has identified is the need for greater transparency and accountability. We are pleased with the progress the negotiating teams are making.

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- Having RCMP members available for redeployment; and
- Sharing the costs and use of common police and administrative services.

Thank you for writing.

Sincerely yours,

*Original signed by:*

Rich Coleman  
Solicitor General  
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Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX

From: s.22  
Sent: Wednesday, February 2, 2011 10:33 AM  
To: Minister, SG SG:EX  
Subject: One last comment

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Sir,

*I sent the message yesterday prior to one last comment. As a former member of the Rcmp yourself, I guess you have an unwritten loyalty to them. No matter what the people of the province would want, like a "good ol' boy", you will as, all rcmp members do, "Take care of their your own" above all.*

Cheers

Sir,

Thank you for your reply. I have been involved in Policing in this Province for 40 years. Provincial Police should be what we have in BC, not the Rcmp, and you would never be able to convince me that they do a better, more effective and a more dedicated job than a Provincial Police Force could and would do. Well, we are all entitled to our opinions, however, I have a first hand view for 40 years of the two police forces, Municipal vs Rcmp. Municipal are the more dedicated to serving their community that the Rcmp. The Rcmp serve themselves and that has been proven time and time again. They even take an oath to themselves.

Thanks for your reply, no need to respond to this. I hope the government one day will finally see that Provincial Police in BC would be a better choice.

Thanks again,

s.22

## Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX

**From:** Coleman.MLA, Rich [Rich.Coleman.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 8, 2011 3:40 PM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Replace RCMP

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** February-08-11 3:33 PM  
**To:** Coleman.MLA, Rich  
**Subject:** Replace RCMP

With provincial elections on our minds, I would like to express my hope that you will act to facilitate serious discussion about replacing the RCMP with a provincial police force.

In my opinion we in BC are being poorly served by this federal force that appears to have lost sight of just what it is that is expected of those tasked with upholding the law and protection of the public, and who has time and again indicated it will not be held accountable.

It is long past time to have a serious dialogue about re-establishing a provincial police force in BC. Is this something you would be willing to put forward for discussion?

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March 8, 2011

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E-mail: s.22

Dear s.22

The Honourable Gordon Campbell, Premier, has asked me to respond to your February 8, 2011 e-mail regarding a provincial police force.

As you are aware, the RCMP contract will expire in 2012. The Province is currently discussing renewal of the contract with Public Safety Canada. A draft agreement is being developed concurrently with the negotiations that support the three themes of the negotiation: changing the relationship from client-based to a full partnership; expanding on the operational and financial accountability mechanisms in the agreement; and cost containment. The key issue that British Columbia has identified is the need for greater transparency and accountability. We are pleased with the progress the negotiating teams are making.

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- Having RCMP members available for redeployment; and
- Sharing the costs and use of common police and administrative services.

Thank you for writing.

Sincerely yours,

*Original signed by:*

Rich Coleman  
Solicitor General

pc: The Honourable Gordon Campbell

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Dawson, Gail C AG:EX

From: localmla [localmla@unlserve.com]  
Sent: Thursday, February 10, 2011 1:56 PM  
To: Minister, AG AG:EX  
Subject: FW: Replace RCMP

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Sent: February-10-11 1:23 PM  
To: [harry.penner.mla@leg.bc.ca](mailto:harry.penner.mla@leg.bc.ca)  
Subject: Replace RCMP

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**From:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Monday, March 28, 2011 2:34 PM  
**To:** s.22  
**Cc:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** RE: great job

Thank you for your email. This is an exciting time for our province as we move forward with a renewed sense of optimism. I want good ideas to find their way to Victoria — that is why I am encouraging a two-way dialogue between the citizens of British Columbia and government.

Thank you for sending in your comments relating to police services. I will make sure that the new Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, the Honourable Shirley Bond, includes your feedback in any related discussions.

It was good to hear from you.

pc: Honourable Shirley Bond

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Friday, March 18, 2011 11:55 PM  
**To:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Subject:** great job

Dear Premier Clark,

I have not being a Liberal supporter ever!

You certainly have taken a great stride forward in your short while in Office, by increasing the minimum wage.

I'm retired so it does not effect me personally. One more great thing you can do is-----

Bring in a Provincial Police Force and get rid of the RCMP. I worked with them for a number of years and although there are some great individuals in the force, the organisation is a total shambles.

I would like a response to this email, to know Christy has recieved it.

Thankfully Yours,

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April 20, 2011

s.22

E-mail: s.22

Dear s.22 :

The Honourable Christy Clark, Premier, has asked me to respond to your March 18, 2011 e-mail regarding your support for a provincial police force.

As you are aware, the RCMP contract will expire in 2012. The Province is currently discussing renewal of the contract with Public Safety Canada. A draft agreement is being developed concurrently with the negotiations that support the three themes of the negotiation: changing the relationship from client-based to a full partnership; expanding on the operational and financial accountability mechanisms in the agreement; and cost containment. In the new agreement the Province will retain its current authority to determine the size of the provincial force and its goals, objectives and priorities. The key issue that British Columbia has identified is the need for greater transparency and accountability. We are pleased with the progress the negotiating teams are making.

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- Sharing the costs and use of common police and administrative services.

Thank you for writing.

Sincerely,

*Original signed by:*

Shirley Bond  
Solicitor General

pc: The Honourable Christy Clark

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**Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX**

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**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 22, 2011 1:49 PM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: One more question please.

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 22, 2011 1:47 PM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** One more question please.

Dear Ms. Bond,

A couple of months ago, one of those RCMP Constables was caught on tape kicking a fellow in the head while he was on his hands and knees! I guess the Constable felt rather threatened. I'm sure you remember the incident.

I was wondering just why it has taken so very long to have this matter brought to 'trial'! My brother who was a Police Officer for over 18 years was shocked at the incident, and told me that that would have never been tolerated, as it reflected rather poorly on the rest of the members of the force. Remember "To serve and protect". Has that now changed to "assault and intimidate"?

If any citizen committed the kind of assault which took place, he would have been arrested that very night, and charges would have been laid the very next day. Do you really think this kind of episode, the assault, and the foot dragging), instill's confidence in the RCMP? The RCMP claim that property crime is down, and also claim that it has to do with their policing. I would put it to you that it's really because most people do not even bother to report such crimes anymore!

Sorry to bother again, but you must not only establish a civilian committee to watch over this out of control Force, but this great Province of British Columbia should have it's own Provincial Police Force under the control of both the people and Legislature of this Province. They must be answerable to US,.....Not some HQ's in either Regina or worst still Ottawa. We have grown up, and do not need to be policed by a Para-Military gang who believe they are above us!

Once again please excuse my bothering you again regarding this but, Premier Campbell told me that we have them because they are the cheapest. Well it certainly goes to show that you only get what you pay for, and we are getting ripped off at that!

Best wishes and regards

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**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 22, 2011 11:17 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Obscene Policing of BC by a Para-Military Force with its HQ back east

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Monday, March 21, 2011 5:33 PM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** Obscene Policing of BC by a Para-Military Force with its HQ back east

Dear Ms. Bond

First I would like to congratulate you on your posting in the new Cabinet. Now I would like to ask you if it would not be possible for you to show some respect for the people of British Columbia by allowing us to have our own Provincial Police. To continue to allow a Para-Military organization like the Federal RCMP to continue to police this Province is disgusting! The people of this Province deserve a far better police force, to be controlled by, and answerable to the people and Government of this Province. Do you remember a sorry looking Staff Officer going crazy with an industrial size container of pepper spray? Do you know that according to the RCMP the lives of two of your citizens in Mission is only worth one days pay, to a sorry excuse of a Police Officer, who could not only laugh over the air about the call, but could not even bother to get out of his car. (I guess it must have been cold that day) This Province is the third largest Province in the country however, unlike Ontario and Quebec (which have their own Provincial Police Force), we must rely on a Para-Military Force to Police our citizens. They are not fit, or trained for the task! They have NO respect for either the people of the Province, or the Government of this Province.

I have been awarded the s.22 I know something about the military! Both of my grandfather's served in the trenches of WW I, and my father and seven uncles served in WW II. My family has been involved in Policing since before WW II. One of my uncles was even a Military Policeman during the war. To have a Para-Military Police force controlling this Province is Obscene to say the very least. Actually the RCMP are regarded as Dragoons. I'm sure you know what that means. As I have said, the people and the Legislature of this Province must have control over these people. (They are out of touch, and OUT of CONTROL). Remember that statement they made after the killing of the fellow at YVR, we were told that the Inquiry should have NO jurisdiction as the RCMP do not, and are not answerable to us or my Legislature. I almost fell off my chair when I heard that statement! It was insulting to us and to you.

Have some pride in your Province. Create employment for British Columbians, and serve the people of this Province by re-establishing a British Columbia Provincial Police Force answerable to the people and Government of this Province, and not a Para-Military Force answerable to either Regina or Ottawa.

I look forward to YOUR reply.  
Best wishes and regards

s.22

## **Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX**

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**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 22, 2011 11:11 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Congratulation and confidential

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 22, 2011 12:14 AM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** Congratulation and confidential

Dear Ms Bond,

A Civilian investigation agency to watch over the RCMP is a sorry joke to play on the people of B.C. who deserve a great deal more. Tell me, Just How Many Times have they been caught lying to us. You cannot count the number. Regarding the lasted deal about docking Const. Mike White one days pay for not doing his job and laughing about it make it obvious that two B.C. lives are worth one days pay. How would you feel if it was you child who laid there for four days suffering and bleeding to death just because of some goof who works for a Para-Military Operation. They even stated that the Braidwood Inquiry should have no jurisdiction as they are not answerable to B.C. and they killed Mr. Dziekanski about 27 seconds after confronting him. Real great policing. I can remember better policing dealing with hippies in the 60's. What about the many lies told to us about the YVR killing? You could not count them on one hand! If you are serious about doing something, you will establish a B.C. Provincial Police Force. Trained here in B.C. and controlled and answerable to the people of B.C. through our Legislature. And not have some Para Military Police Force (sic), under the command of some yahoo 3000 miles away. They have been weighted, they have been measured and they have been found wanting. So much so that the fellow down the street who was going to donated his uniform to us decided to burn it! He use to have pride in his career, and his beloved force. He no longer believes in the force, and believes it's passed it's time. As he said to me, perhaps they could deal with the Yukon, or PEI, but not the third largest Province in the Country. Have some pride & respect for the people of B.C., have some respect and some pride in both your Province and yourself. Give us the first class Provincial Policing we deserve! Have the RCMP gathered together and march them to the Alberta Border. Of course perhaps Alberta would not even want them so they could march all the way back to Regina! We no longer have Americans sneaking over the border selling booze to the Native Indians. THEY HAVE OUTLIVED THEIR USEFULNESS! Create employment for some 7000 British Columbians to replace these lying out of control Para-Military Dragoon Force.

Make man announcement and be sure of re-election!!! They do not deserve to be here. They should be back wearing Buffalo coats in 40 below weather because they are NOT the same force that produced Sgt Preston and his wonder dog King!

Best wishes and regards and I look forward to your reply. Just please remember two lives for one day's pay. Next time it could be a member of your family, they would laugh about because they really do believe they are above the Legislature of B.C. and both us and the law, and are aswerable to nobody but their buddies. My daughter works for the RCMP and even she is questioning things.

I look forward to you reply.

Best wishes luck and regards

s.22

April 29, 2011

s.22

E-mail: s.22

Dear s.22 :

I am responding to your March 22, 2011 e-mails regarding your concerns about police accountability and your support for a provincial police force.

I am confident the vast majority of RCMP officers in this province perform their job with a high degree of integrity and respect for British Columbians. I am also aware of the concerns related to the accountability and oversight of the RCMP when it comes to the conduct of officers in serious incidents. The provincial government is working to address these concerns.

In June 2010, Justice Thomas R. Braidwood, QC, released a report from the commission of inquiry into the death of Mr. Robert Dziekanski at the Vancouver International Airport. Justice Braidwood recommended that the Province create a civilian-led Independent Investigations Office (IIO) to investigate all municipal police and RCMP related deaths and serious incidents across British Columbia. The Province supported this recommendation and is working towards creating the new IIO based on the principles recommended by the Braidwood Commission.

As you are aware, the RCMP contract will expire in 2012. The Province is currently discussing renewal of the contract with Public Safety Canada. A draft agreement is being developed concurrently with the negotiations that support the three themes of the negotiation: changing the relationship from client-based to a full partnership; expanding on the operational and financial accountability mechanisms in the agreement; and cost containment. In the new agreement the Province will retain its current authority to determine the size of the provincial force and its goals, objectives and priorities. The key issue that British Columbia has identified is the need for greater transparency and accountability. We are pleased with the progress the negotiating teams are making.

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There is mutual benefit to contract policing as an effective national policing model to address the cross jurisdictional (i.e., municipal, provincial, territorial, national and international) and evolving nature of crime. Some of the other benefits include:

- Facilitating the flow of intelligence between all levels of policing;
- Having a direct connection, through the RCMP, between local, national and international policing that is important to modern policing and security of infrastructure and communities;
- Having RCMP members available for redeployment; and
- Sharing the costs and use of common police and administrative services.

The Province is committed to ensuring that the public have confidence in policing and we will continue our efforts to ensure that we have effective and accountable police services in British Columbia.

Thank you for writing.

Sincerely,

*Original signed by:*

Shirley Bond  
Solicitor General

PSPB

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## Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX

**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 6, 2011 1:55 PM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Its time for change in law enforcement in BC

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Friday, September 02, 2011 8:44 AM  
**To:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** Its time for change in law enforcement in BC

As a retired police officer it is clear, no matter how much the government of BC and its cities are addicted to the cheap contract policing it gets from the RCMP, that major changes are needed in BC's law enforcement community. Despite the pathetic excuses by regional Mayors, Vancouver **REQUIRES** a regional police force where resources are pooled and manpower available immediately without MOU's and politics getting involved. No other province in Canada has cities the size of Surrey and Richmond contracting out their police services. Even Regina, home to the RCMP has their own city police. But in a region the size of Vancouver, its is absurd that BC allows cities to cheap out and contract with the RCMP creating a patch work of jurisdictional nonsense. Regional police forces work. Look at Ottawa or Toronto. But BC needs the guts to actually force this change. If not, BC's love affair with cheap RCMP style contract policing will remain. At the end of the day the RCMP answer to Ottawa not BC. Don't ever forget that.

Police/Crown should be ashamed not one person has been charged in the riots. How on earth has zero of the those who actually turned themselves in to police not been charged. Those files should have been the easiest to clear. This nonsense of the police needing time to do a proper job is false. Police in London have charged and many sentenced. Different legal systems you say? Somewhat. But lets not forget our justice system is derived from the British system. But once again the VPD is too small to try and unravel the mayhem on their own when most of those involved in the riots were not from Vancouver City. By the way, 6000 officers policed the Olympics with crowds of 100,000. How on earth did VPD think 400+ then 900+ members would stop the riots. Uniform presence stops many incidents before they begin. Thats a basic rule of policing. Costly to bring in more officers? Of course, but compared to the tarnished rep of the city and damage that was done, a good investment.

Whats the deal with the Sheriffs in this province? They powerless to stop and ticket bad drivers right in front of their face, nowhere to be seen at the riots, staff laid off then hiring blitzs', yet they worked with us during the Olympics doing front line crowd management and policing. Police forces will use reserve officers, who are unarmed, to help police major public events but not Sheriffs? Our officers were some what hesitant what the Alberta Sheriffs were up to in 2006 but after a wait and see approach, it was clear that when properly trained to a police standard, Alberta Sheriffs were able to assist (not replace) police freeing up our officers to take on gangs, drugs and other major crimes. Alberta decided that it was going to look at new ideas to help fight crime and make its communities safer. If it works there, why is BC so resistant to any chance in how sheriffs work in BC? The days of protecting so called traditional "police work" have to end. With yearly costs of almost \$150,000 to put an officer on the road, not looking at new, unique ways to deliver enforcement services is irresponsible of police services.

How is it possible that BC has LESS Judges today than 10 years ago even with the 6 recently hired? No wonder the backlog of cases is years long. Longer, more complex trials require more judicial time. Reducing the amount of Judges to tackle this backlog of cases absurd.

Changes need to be made. Does the province have the will not make these changes or is the status quo good enough for BC?

November 17, 2011

s.22  
E-mail: s.22

Dear s.22 ;

Thank you for your e-mail regarding your concerns with law enforcement in British Columbia. I apologize for the delay in responding.

With regard to your concerns about the renewal of the RCMP contract which will expire in 2012. The government of British Columbia and local governments across the province share your concerns about the terms in the final contract. We want the federal government and the RCMP to work as co-operative and consultative partners.

The provinces and territories, and their municipalities, believe that as true partners, we can help to curb escalating costs and ensure effective, efficient and accountable policing. Together, we remain committed to resolving our differences with Public Safety Canada and to establishing a mutually beneficial agreement. The representative of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities on our provincial negotiating team continues to participate in all negotiation meetings and to help shape our negotiating strategy. At their recent annual convention, the municipalities made it clear that their preference is to continue negotiations to retain the RCMP.

There is mutual benefit to contract policing as an effective national policing model to address the cross jurisdictional (i.e., municipal, provincial, territorial, national and international) and evolving nature of crime. Some of the other benefits include:

- Facilitating the flow of intelligence between all levels of policing;
- Having a direct connection, through the RCMP, between local, national and international policing that is important to modern policing and security of infrastructure and communities;
- Having a large group of RCMP members available for redeployment in the event of emergencies or large events; and,
- Sharing the costs and use of common police and administrative services.

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We remain optimistic that a mutually beneficial RCMP agreement will be negotiated with Public Safety Canada.

Your e-mail raises concerns with the British Columbia Sheriff Services, in particular, sheriffs providing highway patrol, Sheriffs Services not assisting the police during the riot in Vancouver at the Stanley Cup final hockey game and staffing levels.

The Vancouver City police had primary jurisdiction of the policing of the riots and did not request the assistance of BC Sheriff Services. However, if requested, we would have provided assistance. The Province of British Columbia is not in a position to compel Sheriff Services to assist in situations that are not within our jurisdiction.

The former Attorney General directed the Ministry of Attorney General to restore the hours for auxiliary and part-time deputy sheriffs to former levels. As well, we are in the process of training 36 new deputy sheriffs for the province, including three in Prince George, two in Fort St. John and one in Smithers. An additional intake of new recruits will be considered in the new year.

With regard to your concerns about judges, in the past two years, the government has appointed 14 new judges in communities across the province including five new Provincial Court judge appointments for the Lower Mainland, Okanagan and Northern British Columbia. Information about these five appointments can be found in the following News Release:  
[www2.news.gov.bc.ca/news\\_releases\\_2009-2013/2011AG0019-000922.pdf](http://www2.news.gov.bc.ca/news_releases_2009-2013/2011AG0019-000922.pdf).

These five appointments are in addition to the nine appointments made last year in response to the Provincial Court of British Columbia's request for additional judges. These appointments will help reduce the time it takes court cases to go to trial so they can be heard in a timely way. Further, judges are also being rotated into communities where needed to ensure court hearings proceed.

Decisions regarding Provincial Court sitting time and additional scheduled Provincial Court days are the responsibility of the Office of the Chief Judge of the Provincial Court of British Columbia. Court Services Branch staff does their best with the judicial schedules provided to them to have matters heard in a timely fashion.

The present economic situation makes it challenging to expand judicial resources. To help reduce the pressure on the courts, we are streamlining court procedures and using digital technology to improve access, increase efficiency and enhance justice system integration.

Thank you once again for writing.

Sincerely,

*Original signed by:*

Shirley Bond  
Solicitor General and  
Attorney General

## **Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX**

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**From:** PSSG WEBFEEDBACK SG:EX  
**Sent:** Monday, September 12, 2011 2:44 PM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Better Policing for the Province of B.C.

For the Ministers attention.

Angella Jones  
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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Monday, September 12, 2011 12:48 PM  
**To:** PSSG WEBFEEDBACK SG:EX  
**Subject:** Better Policing for the Province of B.C.

Minister's Office  
Honourable Shirley Bond  
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Dear Minister,

If this Province is going to be considered grown up, and equal to Ontario and Quebec, we must also have our own Provincial Police Force under the command, and answerable to both the people of this Province and our Legislature.

I have heard that the training cost would be prohibitive. Well I have talked to many members of the RCMP, who have told me that they would very much want to stay here in this wonderful Province and work in a Provincial Police Force, after all who wants to work outside in the winter in New Brunswick or northern Manitoba.

Another point regarding the founding of a provincial Police Force for my Province, beside the many arguments from the incident at YVR to the outright assault of citizens in the Interior to just simply botched cases, is this. I live in North Burnaby. As a RCMP member told me the other day, if we need a police dog squad to attend in North Burnaby, I could be waiting for up to an hour depending on the traffic. When I asked why he informed me that the dog car could be in Chilliwack or by White Rock. Now really, what good is a dog car attending after all that time?

We deserve far better than that. Let this Province grow up, and let's take command of our own Policing. We do not have to have a Police Force under the command of some joker in Ottawa or somebody in Regina who is more interested in the RCMP, than the people and Province to be served.

Thank you very much, and I look forward to your reply.



## **Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX**

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**From:** Bill, Karen F SG:EX  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 1:02 PM  
**To:** Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX  
**Cc:** Jones, Angella N SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Constituent letter re: BC Ferries, RCMP, HST

Draft reply minister for the pssg section.  
Thanks  
Karen

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Garfinkel, Gabe PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 9:58 AM  
**To:** Bill, Karen F SG:EX  
**Subject:** Fw: Constituent letter re: BC Ferries, RCMP, HST

Fyi

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Bloy.MLA, Harry [<mailto:Harry.Bloy.MLA@leg.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 09:56 AM  
**To:** Garfinkel, Gabe PREM:EX; Sutherland, Aaron FIN:EX; Unwin, Holly L TRAN:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Constituent letter re: BC Ferries, RCMP, HST

Morning,

I replied to this thoughtful letter saying I would be forwarding his comments to the appropriate Ministry.

Paragraph 2: Transportation  
Paragraph 3: Solicitor General  
Paragraph 4: Finance

Thanks. Barbara

Barbara Spitz  
Constituency Assistant to Harry Bloy, MLA Burnaby-Lougheed

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** September-27-11 5:22 PM  
**To:** Bloy.MLA, Harry  
**Subject:** Constituent letter re: BC Ferries, RCMP, HST

Good afternoon Mr. Bloy,

riding. I wanted to take this opportunity to discuss a few issues that have been concerning me.

I read in the news about the resigning of David Hahn, CEO of BC Ferries. I hope the provincial government uses this as an opportunity to get BC Ferries under control. I would use this service more often, but the prohibitive cost (especially for taking my car across) means that I am simply unable to visit Vancouver Island as often as I would otherwise like. Regaining a focus of the underlying purpose of the BC ferry system (providing an affordable means to link otherwise inaccessible parts of this province) is paramount. The talk in the news about providing a luxury product for tourism purposes is completely off the mark for what the crown ferry company needs to be providing.

I have also heard the news from BC's Solicitor General Shirley Bond that the federal government has been threatening to withdraw RCMP services if a deal cannot be reached. I sincerely hope that the government is using this opportunity to reconsider the creation of a provincial police force (much like the OPP in Ontario or the SQ in Québec). With the problems that we have had in BC with the RCMP, as well as their complete disdain for provincial oversight (which the Robert Dziekański incident succinctly demonstrates), I think we would be better served with a police force that answers to the people of British Columbia. The counter-example is the Vancouver Police Department, which has made public steps to be accountable to the people they serve, and I have been very impressed at the progress they have made.

Finally, I hope that the BC Liberal government doesn't use the recent HST referendum results to react spitefully towards the people of British Columbia. Please understand that my peers who voted against it did so because they did not appreciate the deceptive and adversarial method in which it was introduced, and the arrogance of the provincial government in the face of public criticism. The government was not willing to compromise until it was facing a referendum, at which time trust was lost and it was too late. I think it is obvious to most people that the current provincial tax scheme needs to be updated, but future efforts need to be done in a transparent manner with public consultations and done such that the resulting taxation scheme is fair (and isn't regressive, as the current HST system is to a certain extent). I have no problem paying taxes, as I appreciate getting services from the government, but shouldering \$350/yr (per family, on average [1]) more tax burden on the citizens of British Columbia when wages are not keeping up with the increasing cost of living isn't fair.

I hope you had a good summer, and I wish you all the best in the fall session of the legislature. I had the pleasure of touring the British Columbia Parliament buildings over the summer, and it was quite enjoyable. I look forward to meeting you in person sometime in the near future.

Kindest Regards,

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[1]

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/story/2011/05/04/bc-hst-report.html>

**Jones, Angela M SG:EX**

**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 30, 2011 12:57 PM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: More on the ckwx poll on BC Provincial Police

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 9:24 AM  
**To:** s.22  
**Subject:** More on the ckwx poll on BC Provincial Police

Terminate all taxpayer funded programs that promote political correctness, tolerance, diversity, the inclusion factor, welfare for the fit, close down drug injection sites and human rights commissions, no more taxpayer funded needles, abortion, condoms in schools, homosexual indoctrination, cease paying for the adoption/legal costs for homosexuals/lesbians to adopt children, cut out the perks in provincial prisons, keep repeat offenders in prison for full sentences while making a deal with insurance companies to lower deductibles and cease promoting reverse discrimination! A simple return to common sense and compassion! Too easy!

s.22

----- Original Message -----

**From:** s.22  
**To:** s.22  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 9:03 AM  
**Subject:** Re: ckwx poll on BC Provincial Police

Agreed but how would we fund the start up costs?

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 28, 2011 8:47 AM  
**To:** s.22  
**Subject:** Fw: ckwx poll on BC Provincial Police

Personally, I would prefer a return to the BC Provincial Police. We need a police force that answers to British Columbians....NOT Ottawa....

s.22

go to <http://www.news1130.com/> centre of main page.

Currently 60% for Provincial Police vs 40% for RCMP

RCMP has threatened to pull Police from BC unless a 20 year contract is signed by November.

## Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX

From: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
Sent: Monday, October 17, 2011 3:55 PM  
To: s.22  
Cc: Minister, EMH EMH:EX; Minister, SG SG:EX  
Subject: RE: Please Premier I

Thank you for your email regarding BC Hydro's smart meter installation program and sharing your views as they relate to policing in British Columbia.

We appreciate the time that you have taken to share your concerns with us and have forwarded your feedback on the installation of smart meters to the Honourable Rich Coleman, Minister of Energy and Mines, for his review. Your comments relating to a Provincial Police force and your concerns about sharing information between different policing jurisdictions in the Lower Mainland have been shared with the Honourable Shirley Bond, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, for her information as well. You can be assured that your comments and suggestions will be included in related discussions between the Ministers and their staff.

Again, thank you for writing.

pc: Honourable Rich Coleman

-----Original Message-----

From: s.22  
Sent: Monday, October 3, 2011 7:37 PM  
To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
Subject: Please Premier I

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Dear Premier Clark. I have never written a Premier before. I prefer not to bother you and am busy with work.

But PLEASE listen to my suggestion. The Smart meters are upsetting many people including myself. We are over irradiating ourselves. It's just plain bad to force people to have to have it installed on homes that they work hard for and bought. Think about it.

Also in regards to a Provincial Police force, it is definatly the right way to go. The reason is simple. Jurisdiction. I'll give you a quick example. Burnaby Police pushes criminals into New West for example and tell them not to do their crime in Burnaby. Their job is done. Now its New West's problem. New West will in trun do the same and push them into Surrey. Now New West Police is done with it and happy. Do you see the problem? The many departments also have different systems to gather info on criminals and don't share it. One police, one system.

Priemer, I am a s.22 The amount of crime I see on a daily bases would blow your mind. I have also s.22  
The first thing that I saw as a flaw is all these different departments and own little areas. Criminals do not stay in 1 area and info needs to shared accordingly.

I would invite you to come ride my bus at any time and see what I and other drivers see on a daily basis.

Thank-you for your time.

s.22



## Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX

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**From:** Bill, Karen F SG:EX  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 19, 2011 11:13 AM  
**To:** Briggs, Taylor LASS:EX  
**Cc:** Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX  
**Subject:** RE: BC Provincial Police Force

Thanks if this or any correspondence is coming to PSSG as FYI can you please use the [sg.minister@gov.bc.ca](mailto:sg.minister@gov.bc.ca) email address? Much appreciated.  
Karen

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**From:** Briggs, Taylor [mailto:Taylor.Briggs@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 19, 2011 10:40 AM  
**To:** Bill, Karen F SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: BC Provincial Police Force

Thanks Karen,

Below is a message from a constituent regarding contract negotiations with the RCMP. We will respond directly to him, but wanted to provide his message to the SGs office.

Thanks very much.

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Taylor Briggs

*Constituency Assistant  
Hon. Christy Clark, MLA  
Vancouver – Point Grey  
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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 18, 2011 3:32 PM  
**To:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Cc:** Dix,MLA, Adrian LASS:EX; Bond,MLA, Shirley LASS:EX  
**Subject:** BC Provincial Police Force

Good morning Premier Clark,

I am live in your riding of Vancouver-Point Grey and am writing you because I am particularly concerned about the state of the RCMP in the Province of British Columbia.

As you know, the BC Government is currently negotiating a new long-term contract for police services in BC with the RCMP. These negotiations have recently been in the news [1], with the Solicitor General Shirley Bond reporting that the federal government is using strong-arm negotiation tactics and threats of withdrawing services if a contract isn't negotiated soon. I am writing to implore the BC Government to begin planning to replace the RCMP with a provincial police force, much like the OPP in Ontario or the SQ in Québec, rather

than renewing their contract with the RCMP. I believe that a provincial police force would better serve the people of British Columbia, in part being more accountable to the citizenry than the RCMP is.

The most glaring example of the lack of accountability with the BC RCMP has been, of course, been the case of Robert Dziekański. In that case, the RCMP officers colluded to both use both excessive force on Mr. Dziekański, and after killing him, colluded about what happened during subsequent investigations and inquiries and have thus far skirted any responsibility in the name of federal jurisdiction. We have just passed 4 years since the event and nobody has been disciplined, much less charged. There has been two recently stories in the news [2][3] showing disgraceful and borderline criminal behavior by the RCMP in British Columbia. In both cases, rather than having their negligent behavior addressed by proper discipline, they have been handed a slap on the wrist.

An editorial this past weekend in the Globe & Mail [4] succinctly summarizes the situation - "Despite repeated assurances that it had learned from the many controversies and embarrassments that have torn at its integrity in the past few years, it would appear the RCMP was taught very little."

I believe that the former Solicitor General, Kash Heed, was on the right track for "want[ing] all police agencies in British Columbia, including the Mounties, governed by the same accountability rules of the B.C. Police Act" [5]. The residents of British Columbia deserve a police force that is working for them and is accountable to them, not to a minister in Ottawa.

The counter example of the RCMP abuses has been the work of the Vancouver Police Department under Chief Jim Chu and mayor Gregor Robertson to do better for the people of Vancouver. I appreciate the VPD's "meet and greet" approach that has been in place since the Olympics. Police presence in the Vancouver entertainment district on the weekend is friendly rather than provocative, and it is very effective at stopping problems early. I was impressed at the recent firing and prosecution of a corrupt VPD police officer, particularly because the VPD publicly apologized to the public and denounced his behavior [6]. This is the kind of accountability we need in British Columbia

This is not to say that there hasn't been cases recently of bad cops being ineffectively disciplined for gross misconduct within municipal police forces within Metro Vancouver [7][8]. However, I believe that the first step to ensuring that abuses by the police forces within British Columbia is addressed is to first establish a culture of accountability, which cannot exist with the current RCMP being above provincial jurisdiction.

In summation, I believe that the evidence speaks for itself about how the RCMP is simply not good for the people of British Columbia. The citizens of this province deserve a police force that works for and is accountable to them. The ending of the present contracts with the RCMP makes this an ideal opportunity for British Columbia to transition to a provincial police force, which the government should begin work on immediately.

Sincerely,

s.22

[1] <http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/story/2011/09/27/bc-rcmp-contract-shirley-bond.html>

[2] <http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/story/2011/10/12/bc-rcmp-recording-slayings-allegation.html>

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Dear Shirley;

October 13,

Well today I write you  
from

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just a bit  
East. A beautiful day out  
here. The tops of the mountains  
are all white and trees in  
the valley are all yellow.

This letter you can put  
in your "Provincial Police"  
file. I think that someday  
we will have a Provincial  
force, I just don't know  
when.

If I was King, I would take

#2  
a rather wholistic look at  
"Public Safety."

I would make an "Office of  
Public Safety" and put it  
under your department. This  
office would run the:

1. Provincial Police
2. Sheriffs
3. Corrections
4. Provincial Traffic Enforcement.
5. Game Wardens.

all these officers would be  
sworn in as full time 24-7  
peace officers. They would  
all have the same uniform,  
I like the midnight navy color.  
It is what Vancouver wears.

These groups would all ~~the~~ take basic training together and once that was done branch out and take the specialized Training.

The reason being is:

For a time of crisis you can draw on all these departments for manpower.

There is a man hunt, a jail break, missing person, a road blockade, a labour dispute, and this list goes on. Let us suppose the Sheriff's have a major gang (murder trial). They don't have the manpower to run ordinary units, transport prisoners and security for the gang ~~trial~~ trial. So the police and Corrections are called in

and not on overtime either. #4  
You know enough to do the  
simple things in the other job.

Everyone in the jail gets the  
blue. So you call in the  
Police and Sheriffs to help out.

Conservation wants to set up a  
hunting check point at Smithers.  
So you call in two police, one  
traffic guy, and the community  
corrections officer. Now you can  
Party.

So if these groups train together  
they get to know each other. They  
wear the same uniform and  
only the shoulder board are  
changed. The shoulder boards  
or epauletts either <sup>are</sup> "Police"  
"Sheriffs" <sup>or</sup> "Corrections Officer" etc.

It really is a riot the T. U. <sup>#5</sup>  
Sammas would have to get in  
and zoom in on the pellets  
to see where everyone  
came from.

I have also found that in  
my opinion Corrections and the  
Sheriffs don't have a lot of  
Traditions and really don't  
use their rank.

I would have a rather simple  
ranking system for the agencies.

It would look something like  
this.

1st level "Leader of ... <sup>Police Constables</sup> deputy Sheriffs

<sup>Correctional Officers</sup>  
General every one ~~with~~ will  
shorten the title to ...

"Lead Deputy Jones to Court  
Please."



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2nd Level "Senior Leader ...

That would sound like

Senior Lead Jones to Court.

Or Senior Constable Jones

3rd "Group Leader ...

or

Group Lead Jones

or

Group Jones.

Now the officers could stay  
as Inspectors - Superintendents  
~~Group~~ <sup>Group</sup> Superintendences.

The top dogs would be.  
Chief of Constables.

Sheriff,

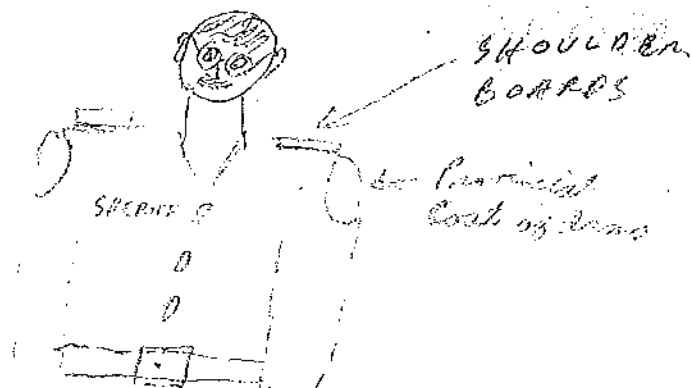
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Warden.

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SHERIFF  
LEAD DEPUTY  
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POLICE  
SENIOR  
LEADER  
1762

CORRECTIONAL  
OFFICER  
GROUP LEADER  
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Like I said these all just <sup>to be</sup>  
ideas made to file for a later  
time.

Thank you.

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November 25, 2011

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Dear s.22 :

Thank you for your letter regarding your vision of policing in the Province. I apologize for the delay in responding.

As you may be aware, the RCMP contract will expire in 2012. The government of British Columbia and local governments across the province want the federal government and the RCMP to work as co-operative and consultative partners.

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Public safety and other justice sector agencies regularly interact and collaborate in managing matters of common interest. Due to the complex nature of the business of the various law enforcement agencies, it would prove very challenging to train all employees to meet the legislative requirements and varied demands of these different fields of enforcement. Correctional officers, for example, receive comprehensive months-long training upon hire and are expected to regularly upgrade their training in order to acquire and maintain the skills and expertise to meet the ever-changing demands of the job. There are similar expectations of employees with the other enforcement agencies. Expecting an individual to acquire comprehensive knowledge of training associated with all law enforcement agencies would be onerous. A failure to achieve this end could compromise public safety.

Ensuring public safety and keeping our communities safe is an ever-present need. We are best served meeting this need through a balanced approach utilizing the skills and expertise of well-trained individuals from a variety of law enforcement agencies.

Thank you once again for writing and sharing your views on policing in the province.

Sincerely,

*Original signed by:*

Shirley Bond  
Solicitor General and  
Attorney General

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## Vermaning, Tiny SG:EX

**From:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 25, 2011 9:23 AM  
**To:** s.22  
**Cc:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** RE: BC Provincial Police Service

Thank you for your email regarding police services in British Columbia. Your position on the matter is noted and we do appreciate the time you have taken to share your views. We have provided a copy of your feedback to the Solicitor General, the Honourable Shirley Bond, for her review as well. She and her staff will include this information in any related discussions.

Again, thank you for expressing your views. It was good to hear from you.

pc: Honourable Shirley Bond

**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Monday, October 24, 2011 9:18 PM  
**To:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Subject:** BC Provincial Police Service

Dear Premier,

Hello,

This is in regard to the current discussions about British Columbia having it's own provincial police service. I would just like to share my view on the matter. I will try to keep this really short as I know your time is much in demand.

I believe having a provincial police service is the way forward for British Columbia. Here's why I think so (in a very very very short email):

Operationally

I don't even know where to start in this area.

There is much to be said about how police services work here in BC. A single police service would greatly speed up the service that they would provide to the general public. The time it takes for police to react to a given situation, especially if it crosses jurisdiction, just takes forever. Not only does it waste so much resources (calling out multiple units that could have been done when one police service could have done the job) the "bad guy" could be gone by the time the call is relayed to the next jurisdiction. This is common in the current police setup.

With one police service, the call for service would be instant as there is only one "source" for the call for service. There is no lag time and all the red tape that comes with it. I think the general public would be happier if the police can act in a quick manner instead of waiting for ages.

The distribution of resources can also mean better service. More officers can be assigned in areas that need more attention.

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I wish I can write more in this area but I think I'd be writing a whole book.

#### Administration

Consolidation of administrative duties can also be an area of great cost reduction. Admittedly, it may be at the cost of some jobs however that is part re-engineering and achieving the service with less resources. Some areas that may scale down are human resources, clerical work, court liaison positions, property management, information technology, command center,...etc.

#### Set Up Costs

Initial setup cost may look gigantic from a certain point of view. However if the savings in other areas can be highlighted then a better picture can be seen. It would be critical that the way it is introduced to the public is proper. Like any change if it is presented properly I believe the change can be accepted with less resistance. I know I have presented it in an over simplified manner but if there is one question that the general public will ask is - how much is it going to cost?. If it can be shown as "how much are going to save and what do we get in return" then the idea should grow and in the end hopefully accepted.

#### Transition

I believe that a phased transition would be best instead of a "big bang" transition. Maybe smaller departments can be transitioned in initially then move slowly into the bigger departments. Structurally, at the lower levels at least, they would be working the same and would be business as usual. The extent of the changes on top management would remain to be seen. Top jobs may be redundant so although this will have to dealt with it is still part of streamlining the whole thing. Each "city" would probably be treated as a district and would have its own detachment. So as I see it some things would still be around however this would be a chance to remove anything that would not be needed (which would still be part of the streamlining process) . As it exists now most municipal services mirror each other in structure so I don't really see any "big" change. Costs saving would generally come into the removal of redundant services - admin, ident, major crimes.... etc. Its hard to put this down into one paragraph but its really a chance to "clean up" the structure which I believe will bring costs down.

#### Paying Up

A lot of discussion has to be done as to the distribution of costs or how each area is going to pay for the services rendered. It would depend on how the government decides I guess. Maybe a cost center model? Or based on population? Or on calls for service? I'm not sure on the right formula but I do know that it can still be sorted if the will is there to do this.

I know this is an over simplified version of what has to be done but the meat of the matter is here. I can discuss this for days as I am passionate about the topic. However I'd like to stress that I believe this change can be done in a short time frame. The units are out there working already it's a matter of aligning management, re-engineering those changes and trimming the fat. I think everyone wants an effective and efficient police service. At this time where people are scraping the bottom of the barrel, I believe its time that a streamlined BC police service be created without sacrificing the quality of service that is being provided by the current municipal police services.

Good luck Madam Premier. I have confidence that your administration will come to what is best for British Columbia.

Sincerely,



November 25, 2011

s.22  
E-mail: s.22

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Thank you again for expressing your views. It was good to hear from you.

pc: Honourable Shirley Bond

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**Sent:** Monday, October 24, 2011 7:26 PM  
**To:** OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX  
**Subject:** Either full RCMP or full Provincial Police, not current model of mix-mush of different agencies

Hello,

I wanted to quickly comment that with the recent events regarding RCMP contract in BC, I believe whatever decision is made by the BC government, it will have logical reasons behind it. However, no matter if it is decided that we will retain RCMP or convert to Provincial Police, I believe it will be for the best if ONE police force is chosen for BC.

It seems obvious that although the past history has yielded the current jigsaw-puzzle of RCMP and independent municipal police scattered around the lower-mainland, the time is NOW to fix and rectify the inefficient and ineffective state of our policing model.

There are pros and cons of RCMP and Provincial police but I don't think anyone would argue that the current model we have would be their first choice when attempting to establish best policing model in lower mainland.

I believe the time is now when the policing issue is at hand to make the tough decision and decide RCMP or Provincial police. I believe this will instill confidence of public in the current government for making the tough choice and prove that it was the best choice and at the same time effectively rectifying the current policing model.

Thank you for your attention.

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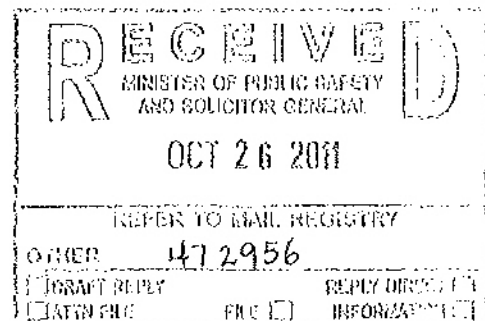
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**From:** Bond.MLA, Shirley [Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 26, 2011 9:12 AM  
**To:** Minister, SG SG:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Regional forces in BC



**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 25, 2011 6:39 PM  
**Cc:** Bond.MLA, Shirley  
**Subject:** Re: Regional forces in BC

My apologies

What I meant to suggest was a Provincial Police Force with the largest cities with their own police forces  
Thanks

s.22

Sent from my iPhone

On 2011-10-25, at 6:18 PM, s.22 wrote:

Hello Ms Bond,

After reading the details of how Clifford Olson was able to avoid the police 30 years ago and then these many years later we had Robert "Willy" Pickton doing the exact same thing because of a lack of a cohesive police force.

Please decide in favor of regional forces for Vancouver, Victoria and other major cities in BC.

It' time to let the RCMP go

Thanks for your time

s.22

Sent from my iPhone

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October 6, 2011

Attorney General  
The Honorable Shirley Bond  
PO Box 9044 Stn Prov Govt  
Victoria, B.C.  
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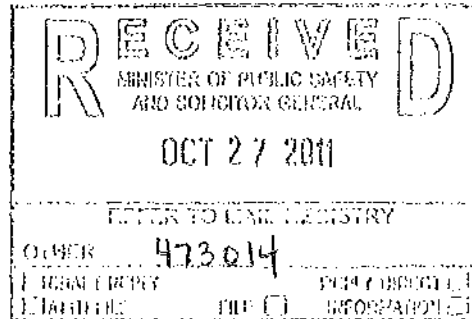
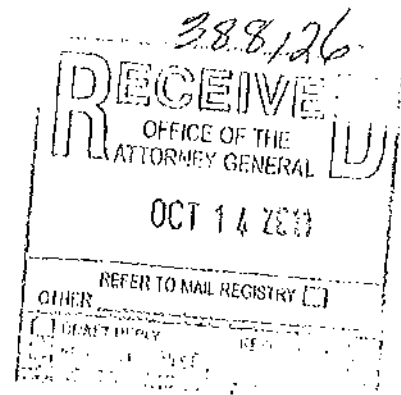
Dear Minister Bond;

**Re: Provincial Policing Force**

Negotiations have been underway, with the Federal Government, in regard to a renewed contract for policing by the RCMP for almost two years now. The recent stand, proposed by the Federal Government of, take it or leave it is unacceptable to the citizens of B.C.. It certainly is time to start implementation toward a Provincial Police force that is accountable to the citizens and government of B.C.. The RCMP, in B.C., seem to have taken a turn for the worse recently and are accountable to no one. The recent string of questionable conduct and deaths of perpetrators in custody is a sign that all is not well within the organization.

The establishment of a Provincial Police force is most likely a monumental task. It could be undertaken in increments however. For instance why do we require the RCMP to carry out traffic enforcement and highway patrol. My observations show me that the RCMP are currently only doing an adequate job in most areas in this field. For example, I travel a lot through several communities here on Vancouver Island daily, particularly Chemainus and Ladysmith. The highway speed limit through these communities is 80 and 70 kms per hour respectively. There is very little to no police presence and traffic moves through these communities at dangerous speeds exceeding 100 kms per hour all day long. Surely a provincial traffic force could do a better job and at a more reasonable cost.

Alternatively let communities police their own speed limits through changes in the law that would allow them to do so through bylaw enforcement officers or a sheriff type structure. Communities could pay for this alternative through the monies collected from violators. The province could also pay for traffic enforcement strictly through the monies collected in fines.



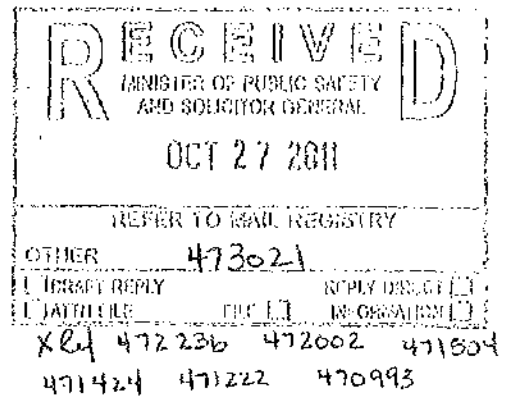
The Province made a big mistake when it dropped the photo radar program for political expediency. Radar is simply another tool to allow monitoring of a greater number of vehicles than an officer can cover with a car. The problem that occurred was that the RCMP tried to monitor all traffic with photo radar versus adding to the arsenal of tools available. Police presence on the roads is and will always be required.

I believe the above concepts are worth consideration at this point in time and could reduce the cost of having the RCMP in the Province. By removing traffic, it would allow the RCMP to concentrate on the bigger crimes they don't seem to have enough time or officers for. I realize that a complete replacement of the RCMP is to large an undertaking to be achieved in a short period of time but we must start somewhere. Traffic enforcement seems to be a natural place to start.

Sincerely

s.22





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Thank you again for taking the time to write.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Blair Lokstrom', is written over a large, bold, black 'COPY' stamp. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the last name 'Lokstrom' being more legible than the first name.

Blair Lokstrom  
Minister

Copy to: Premier Christy Clark  
  
Honourable Shirley Bond  
Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General  
MLA, Prince George-Valemount



September 9, 2011

s.22

Dear s.22 :

Thank you for your letters regarding BC Ferries and a provincial highway patrol. As you know, I am encouraging public input and hearing from you on these subjects is very helpful.

I want to assure you that government is supporting a recent decision by the Ferry Commissioner to examine the coastal ferry model and to report back to us with options. Public input will be put into account fully. Government will then decide whether it is in the best interest of British Columbia's families to make changes to the present model. We all look forward to the Commissioner's recommendations on how to ensure the affordability and sustainability of ferry services. I have shared your comments with the Honourable Blair Lekstrom, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure, for his information as well.

I do appreciate your input in regards to a British Columbia Highway Patrol. Government has a responsibility to ensure the laws, programs and policies that are in place are effective and, if they are not, we need to work on amending them. I have asked the Minister responsible, the Honourable Shirley Bond, to ensure that your comments are included in any related discussions.

Again, thanks for expressing your views.

Sincerely,

Christy Clark  
Premier

cc: Honourable Shirley Bond  
Honourable Blair Lekstrom

Office of the  
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Mailing Address:  
PO Box 8041 Stn Prov Govt  
Victoria BC V8W 9E1

Location:  
Parliament Buildings, Victoria

August 25, 2011,

s.22

Government of British Columbia,

Dear Premier Christy Clark:

Hon: Blair Seaton, Minister of Transportation:

In regard to B.C. Ferries. Regularity of service is like good health to a person i.e. hourly, over hour, odd hour etc. But they should also start earlier in the morning to later in the evening, possibly a 2:00 am sailing. The restaurant style of ship should return. Being part of the highway system should be owned and operated by British Columbia government and C.F.O. appointed from past competence and experience.

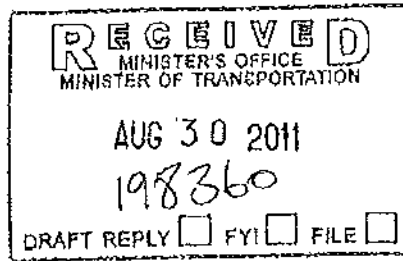
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I know these issues are complex, but more so because funding got funneled into non deserving pockets.

Sincerely

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August 25, 2011,

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Dear Ms. Bond.

I also thought that I would pass this along as I feel you might find it of interest.

Thank you very much once again, and I look forward to your reply, as do many citizens of this great and proud Province.

s.22

Oct.27/11

Dear Ms. Minister,

The time has come for British Columbia to accept the fact we can't afford the R.C.M.P. anymore because the Federal Government has again decreased their yearly grants and the provinces have to make up the tab. The Mountie's unique quality uniforms and upkeep, costs considerably more to maintain than a provincial police. Ontario, Quebec and Newfound Land and Labrador realized that situation many years ago and formed their own provincial forces to better meet the costs and needs of their province. I wonder if Ottawa is trying to tell us to do the same?

The cost of the colourful world famous Mountie's uniform is only one reason for changing to a local provincial force. This 4,000 mile wide country needs special and different services of our diversity. Since the federal government assists financially they also have a say in administration and law enforcements which is really best taken care by a local forces. Each province in Canada is uniquely different and we in British Columbia have a rich colourful mosque population with a water border which would be best serviced by a local force who know the pulse and situations in each municipality, town, village, city and island. Having our own force would avoid the constant assistance, approval and orders from Ottawa. The city of Vernon and some political parties in Alberta have been voicing the need for provincial forces for many years as well.

Our proud world famous R.C.M.P and their Musical Ride is a Canadian tradition and a custom that deserves to live on to eternity in our capital to represent Canada for all special occasions here and abroad. The three eastern provinces have enjoyed their local police forces for many years and it is time we had the same freedom and privilege. The 20 year contract with Ottawa ends at the end of November and we must act soon. It is unfortunate that Alberta and Saskatchewan have partly settled with Ottawa with a condition to include them for any benefits B.C. receives. Lets hope our B.C. Attorney-General, Shirley Bond decides it is time for B.C. to go it alone and have our own provincial force like Ontario, Quebec and New Foundland Labrador so Saskatchewan, Alberta and other provinces may join us as well.

October 28, 2011

«Salutation» «First\_Name» «Last\_name»  
«Address1»  
«City» «Province» «Postal»  
E-mail: «Email»

Dear «Salutation» «Last\_name»:

I am responding to your e-mail regarding renewal of the RCMP contract which will expire in 2012. The government of British Columbia and local governments across the province share your concerns about the terms in the final contract. We want the federal government and the RCMP to work as co-operative and consultative partners.

The provinces and territories, and their municipalities, believe that as true partners, we can help to curb escalating costs and ensure effective, efficient and accountable policing. Together, we remain committed to resolving our differences with Public Safety Canada and to establishing a mutually beneficial agreement. The representative of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities on our provincial negotiating team continues to participate in all negotiation meetings and to help shape our negotiating strategy. At their recent annual convention, the municipalities made it clear that their preference is to continue negotiations to retain the RCMP.

There is mutual benefit to contract policing as an effective national policing model to address the cross jurisdictional (i.e., municipal, provincial, territorial, national and international) and evolving nature of crime. Some of the other benefits include:

- Facilitating the flow of intelligence between all levels of policing;
- Having a direct connection, through the RCMP, between local, national and international policing that is important to modern policing and security of infrastructure and communities;

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- Having a large group of RCMP members available for redeployment in the event of emergencies or large events; and
- Sharing the costs and use of common police and administrative services.

We remain optimistic that a mutually beneficial RCMP agreement will be negotiated with Public Safety Canada. Thank you for writing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Shirley Bond". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Shirley Bond  
Solicitor General