

**Collins, Alison J SDPR:EX**

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**From:** Van Wensem, Casey SDPR:EX  
**Sent:** November-16-17 4:14 PM  
**To:** SDSI Executive Correspondence Services SDSI:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Surrey Fleetwood Constituent Inquiry  
**Attachments:** s.22

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As requested.

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

**From:** Minister, SDPR SDPR:EX  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 9, 2017 3:32 PM  
**To:** Van Wensem, Casey SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Surrey Fleetwood Constituent Inquiry

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

**From:** Brar.MLA, Jagrup [<mailto:Jagrup.Brar.MLA@leg.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 7, 2017 11:15 AM  
**To:** Minister, SDPR SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** Surrey Fleetwood Constituent Inquiry

Good afternoon,

I am writing to you on behalf of Surrey Fleetwood constituent, s.22  
authorization of consent form is attached for you.

s.22 has approached our office out of frustration with s.2 dealings with the Ministry of Social Development. |s.22 would like our office to take s.2 concerns directly to the minister's office on s.22 behalf.

s.22

Questions s.22 wants answered by the ministry:

1. A normal person can stay out of the country for six months and a PWD can stay for only one month. Why is this so? Why not even half the amount of that – like three months?
2. s.2 would like to know why CPP is being deducted dollar for dollar and would like to bring to your attention that this is very unjust to take away from PWD's, especially when other clients who receive income assistance have an earnings exemption.
3. Why do we have to pay for counselling now?

s.22

Suggestions to the ministry by s.22

1. Open a center that would offer special training for PWD who would like to go back to work on a casual or part-time basis and pay trainers instead of investigators as s.2 feels they're not helping PWD physically or mentally
2. Respect seniors and the disabled and their personal matters, respect their privacy and confidentiality
3. Respect what medical doctors are advising especially on their prescription pads
4. Check on government resources or resource centers to make sure advocates are doing their jobs

s.22

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**From:** Di Castri, Adriana SDSI:EX  
**Sent:** November-01-17 9:19 AM  
**To:** SDSI Executive Correspondence Services SDSI:EX  
**Subject:** FW:S.22

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**From:** Kuharic, Rhea MCF:EX  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 1, 2017 9:16 AM  
**To:** Di Castri, Adriana SDSI:EX  
**Subject:** FW:S.22

Hi Adriana,

Are we able to please pass this on to you for follow up and response?

Please confirm either way.

Thanks!

Rhea

Rhea Kuharic | Manager | Client Relations Branch | Ministry of Children and Family Development | Phone: 778.698.8845

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George Heyman, MLA  
(Vancouver-Fairview)

September 6th, 2017

Honourable Judy Darcy  
Minister of Mental Health and Addictions

Honourable Shane Simpson  
Minister of Social Development and  
Poverty Reduction

Dear Minister Darcy and Simpson,

I am writing on behalf of my constituent, s.22 is a single parent whose s.22 has been under care at BC Children's Hospital with mental health challenges for the last several months. s.22 has raised a number of issues relating to s.22 experience with the mental health system and the lack of services to support s.22

Further, s.22 recognizes the crucial intersection between mental health and poverty reduction. As a single parent, it has been challenging for s.22 to care for s.22 while maintaining a job and financially supporting s.22 family. s.22 has witnessed other families struggle to support their children with mental health challenges and has identified this as a significant barrier to poverty reduction in the province.

s.22 are a prime example of why government action is needed on mental health and poverty reduction. s.22 wishes to be a voice on these files and to speak for those who cannot represent themselves.

Thank you for your attention, and I look forward to working with you both to represent s.22 s.22 voice and help identify solutions.

Sincerely yours,

George Heyman, MLA for Vancouver-Fairview

s.22

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**From:** Krog.MLA, Leonard Eugene <Leonard.Krog.MLA@leg.bc.ca>  
**Sent:** January-15-18 12:52 PM  
**To:** gobetweenconsulting@gmail.com  
**Cc:** Minister, MCF MCF:EX; Minister, AG AG:EX; minister@gov.bc.ca; Minister, SDPR SDPR:EX; Minister, PSSG PSSG:EX; sheila.malcolmson@parl.gc.ca; 'Nanaimo Mens Resource Centre'  
**Subject:** RE: In Reference to the s.22  
  
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Dear Carmen,

Thank you so much for your e-mail of January 10, 2018. Please note that my reply is being sent to each of the Ministers to whom you addressed your letter and copied, as well to my colleague Sheila Malcolmson, and Theo Boere at the Men's Centre here in Nanaimo. Firstly, by way of bonafides for you I want to ensure all who received a copy of this letter that I know you personally, that you have done excellent work s.22  
s.22

You make excellent points in your letter and I have written to the Solicitor General on this matter on the issue of funding for the Men's Centre in Nanaimo, and funding for services directed at assisting men in this Province previously. In the latest case out of Victoria, s.22), once again we see a situation where there is no excuse for what happened but part of the explanation is clearly another situation involving people who are desperate, who perhaps had or felt they had no place to turn and or no sympathetic voice to hear them. I fully support what you are doing because I am satisfied after 38 years of practicing law, a substantial portion of which was Family Law, that nothing good comes from the denial of contact by what we used to call non-custodial parents, or rather now use the new language, parents who would be applying for contact but not guardianship of their children. We may not be able to prevent the horrific cases like those of the s.22 but we may save other children from the prospect of growing up without contact with their other parent whom they instinctually wish to see and have contact with themselves, which has been almost my invariable experience even in the most difficult of cases. The service you are suggesting addresses that fundamental issue for those difficult situations involving one parent who has parent control and the other who is seeking contact.

On the larger issue, the funding for the Nanaimo Men's Centre, I encourage every Minister who receives this to consider the matter as I am sure the Solicitor General may wish to discuss it with all of Ministers receiving this because it touches on their respective Ministries both directly and indirectly and the responsibilities those Ministries have.

Non-residential parents, to use your language Carmen, whether they be men or women should have contact with their children as long as that contact is reasonable and healthy and if it requires supervision, so be it, but those parents whether they be men or women need places / centres that serve both genders and any others who find themselves in these situations.

Thank you for taking the time to write this and to trying to raise this issue and put it squarely before the Ministers involved.

Yours very truly,

LEONARD KROG, MLA  
NANAIMO

Dictated but not read by Leonard Krog, MLA – Nanaimo

**From:** Carmen Barclay [<mailto:gobetweenconsulting@gmail.com>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 10, 2018 11:51 AM  
**To:** Minister, MCF C MCF:EX <[MCF.Minister@gov.bc.ca](mailto:MCF.Minister@gov.bc.ca)>; Minister, AG AG:EX <[AG.Minister@gov.bc.ca](mailto:AG.Minister@gov.bc.ca)>; [minister@gov.bc.ca](mailto:minister@gov.bc.ca); [sdsi.minister@gov.bc.ca](mailto:sdsi.minister@gov.bc.ca); Minister, PSSG PSSG:EX <[PSSG.Minister@gov.bc.ca](mailto:PSSG.Minister@gov.bc.ca)>; Krog.MLA, Leonard Eugene <[Leonard.Krog.MLA@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Leonard.Krog.MLA@leg.bc.ca)>; [sheila.malcolmson@parl.gc.ca](mailto:sheila.malcolmson@parl.gc.ca); <[theo@themenscentre.ca](mailto:theo@themenscentre.ca)> <[theo@themenscentre.ca](mailto:theo@themenscentre.ca)>  
**Subject:** In Reference to the s.22

Greetings All,

Yesterday I sent the attached letter to each of you via Canada Post.  
Today, I send it by email.

It would be very much appreciated if each of you read the attachment or letter and respond.

With Gratitude,

Carmen Barclay MA  
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Janet Routledge MLA  
Burnaby North  
Deputy Government Whip

January 16, 2018

Honourable Shane Simpson  
Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction  
PO Box 9058  
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Victoria, BC V8W 9E2

Dear Minister Simpson:

My office was asked to contact you in your capacity as the Minister responsible for disability issues by s.22 who is one of my constituents. s.22 is hoping to see the province develop a card that would identify people who have invisible disabilities.

s.22 does not believe that the current symbol of a person in a wheelchair is a suitable symbol for someone who does not use a wheelchair or other mobility device. s. feels that people who are able to walk short distances without assistance are not seen by the general public to be deserving of accommodation with things like designated parking spaces. s.22 would like to see a new symbol developed by your Ministry that such people could use to indicate that they do indeed need special accommodations.

Given that the wheelchair symbol is one that is used in multiple jurisdictions, my staff advised s.22 to contact organizations such as Disability Alliance BC and the Canadian Council for People with Disabilities to talk to them about s. goal. As well, we agreed to bring this matter to your attention.

Sincerely,

Janet Routledge, MLA  
Burnaby North

Enclosure

PC s.22

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To: Social Development and Poverty Reduction

From: Cate Jones

For the purposes of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, I certify the following:

1. **Janet Routledge** ("MLA"), in whose office I am employed as a constituency assistant, has been asked by the constituent whose name and address are set out below to assist that constituent in resolving the problem described below;
2. I have explained to the constituent that, in order to assist the constituent, I and the other individuals named below, all of whom are employed in the MLA's office, may need to obtain the constituent's personal information from your ministry/public body;
3. I have explained to the constituent that personal information disclosed to us may be of a sensitive nature;
4. Personal information you disclose to us is necessary for the purpose of assisting the constituent to resolve the problem described below and will be used only for that purpose; and
5. I have explained to the individual that this form only authorizes the release of their own personal information. Third party personal information cannot be released based on this certificate. I have referred the constituent to the Guidelines for MLAs and Constituency Assistants obtaining personal information from a public body.

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The information below is to be completed on behalf of the constituent and is provided in order to support the public body in locating the appropriate information for disclosure:

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Name of constituent: s.22

Constituent's address and contact information: s.22  
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## Ducker, Jayne SDPR:EX

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**From:** Ma.MLA, Bowinn <Bowinn.Ma.MLA@leg.bc.ca>  
**Sent:** Monday, February 19, 2018 6:22 PM  
**To:** Ducker, Jayne SDPR:EX  
**Cc:** Vulliez, Shawn LASS:EX  
**Subject:** RE: North Van

Hi Jayne, sorry for the delay -- not sure why Shawn hasn't gotten back to you, perhaps some wires got crossed. You're cleared to use the Lobby Space.

They are not charging us for rental and will bring a security guy in on Saturday to handle the doors. I ask that your team make sure everything is left in a clean and tidy condition so that the building continues to allow us to use this space without charge in the future.

In your service,

Bowinn Ma, MLA  
North Vancouver-Lonsdale  
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December 4, 2017

Honourable Shane Simpson  
Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction  
Room 247 Parliament Buildings  
Victoria, BC V8V 1X4

Janet Routledge MLA  
Burnaby North  
Deputy Government Whip

Dear Minister Simpson,

I am writing to you on behalf of my constituent s.22 situation serves as an important example of why British Columbia needs a robust poverty reduction plan.  
s.22

s.22 applied for a *Persons with*  
*Persistent Multiple Barriers (PPMB)* designation.  
s.22

Under the current rules, your Ministry only processes requests from those who have been on income assistance for twelve of the past fifteen months.

s.22

s.22 story is an example of how quickly things can change for someone due to a catastrophic event in  
s.22 is not something any parent can plan for, s. situation underscores the need for a strong poverty reduction plan and highlights the government's role in supporting parents under such heartbreaking circumstances.

**Burnaby North Community Office**

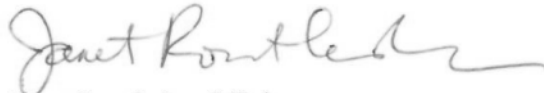
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As you embark on your poverty reduction plan, please consider <sup>s.22</sup> situation in your deliberations and use s.2 story to inform your policy regarding eligibility for *PPMB*.


Sincerely,



Janet Routledge, MLA  
Burnaby North

Enclosure

JR: nk

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December 13, 2017

The Honourable Shane Simpson, Minister  
Social Development and Poverty Reduction  
Room 247 Parliament Buildings  
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Dear Minister:

The Powell River Community Resource Centre (the Resource Centre) has been funded by the Ministry of Social Development for the past ten years. I have met with previous Ministers to lobby for ongoing funding and to emphasize the importance of the Centre to the people of the Upper Sunshine Coast.

In December of last year the funding contract was extended for one year from April 1st, 2017 to March 31st, 2018.

I met yesterday with the new Executive Director of Powell River Employment Program (PREP) Stuart Clark s.17

s.17

I know PREP is in regular communication with the City of Powell River, the Powell River Regional District, as well as Vancouver Coastal Health, in search of complementary funding options. But the funding from the Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction is critical to their ongoing operations. They provide an essential service.

I hope you have a chance to visit our community again soon. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "N. Simons".

Nicholas Simons, MLA  
Powell River – Sunshine Coast

c.c. Stuart Clark

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