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Mr. Kevin Waugh, MP Saskatoon-Grasswood kevin.waugh.c1a@parl.gc.ca

Dear Mr. Waugh:

Kevin

Thank you for your email of May 10, 2016 regarding the Private Members' Bill C-241 which had its second reading in the House of Commons on May 13. I understand Bill C-241 seeks to have the Goods and Services Tax (GST) paid by school authorities refunded from the Federal Government at 100 per cent instead of the current 68 per cent.

Introduction of this Bill is timely as the Reciprocal Taxation Agreement signed between the Federal Government and the Government of Saskatchewan recently expired in December 31, 2015. This reciprocal fund included all government ministries. However, it did not include public service organizations such as school divisions. This would be an opportune time to revisit this agreement and explore adding other public service organizations such as school divisions.

I believe that the intent of the Private Members' Bill is important to the citizens of Saskatchewan and I am pleased to provide my support for Bill C-241.

I look forward to the outcome of a fulsome debate on this Private Members' Bill in the House of Commons as I believe this issues deserves due attention.

Thank you for taking the time to send me this information and allowing me to provide my support for this important matter.

Sincerely,

Don Morgan, Q.C.

cc: Julie MacRae, Deputy Minister of Education
Clint Repski, Assistant Deputy Minister of Education