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Dear Mr. Buterman:

Thank you for your recent correspondence regarding changes to the *Vital Statistics Act* (VSA). I have had the opportunity to review your comments and appreciate you taking the time to contact my office.

Preliminary work has begun on appropriate regulatory provisions to accompany the recent amendments to the VSA. Part of the review process includes consideration of the information on an Alberta birth certificate, along with its use as a foundational piece of identification used for many purposes such as applying for a passport.

I appreciate you bringing forward the views of the Trans Equality Society of Alberta.

Yours truly,

Dave Hancock, QC Premier of Alberta

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