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Regan: NDP Must Release List of Inspected Buildings



Kelly Regan, Liberal Labour Critic, wants the government to release the list of buildings that the Fire Marshal's Office has inspected.

"I originally asked the minister to release the list of the buildings that the Fire Marshal failed to inspect," said Regan. "People deserve to know if the building they are working in or where they send their children to school has been inspected."

Regan said the minister indicated she cannot produce such a list because the Fire Marshal's Office does not even know which buildings should have been inspected.

"There is no master list of buildings the FMO needs to inspect - it doesn't exist," said Regan. "They cannot tell which buildings haven't been inspected because they don't even know which buildings should be inspected."

Regan now believes the government should release a list of all of the buildings the FMO has inspected.

"If the minister cannot do the most basic of things - tell us which buildings the Fire Marshall's Office is supposed to inspect - maybe she can at least tell us which buildings the office did inspect. At least that way, some Nova Scotians will have peace of mind," said Regan. "This government needs to be open and transparent about this issue as a first step in reforming this broken public office."

Regan also expressed concern with the minister's belated plans to reform the Fire Marshal's Office.

"The minister knew about this problem for a year and she did not warn Nova Scotians," said Regan. "The Labour Department failed to act for a year, so I have doubts about how effectively they will address the issue now."

