

## Somebody should do something

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In the midst of a Hill Times survey of Parliament Hill, Alison Loat [notes](#) one of the more salient points in the debate over the state of our democracy.

*"I'm always so struck, and I'm still struck from the interviews that he expresses exactly what so many MPs who left before him say. You know, 'we came into politics because we were concerned about this lack of engagement with the public and with Parliament,' however they describe it. Many of the MPs describe themselves as being outside of Parliament. 'I looked at Parliament, and I don't see myself there. I don't see my community represented, and so I want to run and try to change that,' and yet, x number of years later, they're complaining about much of the same thing that motivated them in the first place. How have we gotten ourselves into that spiral?"*