

Standing Committee on Finance (FINA)

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Responses

1. Economic Recovery and Growth

Given the current climate of federal and global fiscal restraint, what specific federal measures do you feel are needed for a sustained economic recovery and enhanced economic growth in Canada?

I feel that the payouts of approx 2 billion dollars to existing Fed employees for severance pay is ridiculous and shows the Canadian people the Fed Government only thinks of themselves first. The Government uses the excuse of negotiated contracts as the excuse for this waste of money. The Government needs to ask WHO are the negotiators and why the give aways to already highly paid (+ perks)staff. Layoff more employees then has been addressed so far but really make it happen and not just lip service like we see now. Quit making the West vers East happening. Stop crooked banks who are doing bad deals for the public and actually fine or jail the guilty ones for once. Could save billions once they see the light

2. Job Creation

As Canadian companies face pressures resulting from such factors as uncertainty about the U.S. economic recovery, a sovereign debt crisis in Europe, and competition from a number of developed and developing countries, what specific federal actions do you believe should be taken to promote job creation in Canada, including that which occurs as a result of enhanced internal and international trade?

Layoff more highly paid Provincial and Fed employees and spend more to promote entrepreneurialship. Spend more money to get new businesses up and running. Stop wasing money on forein affairs and concentrae on Canada for a change.

3. Demographic Change

What specific federal measures do you think should be implemented to help the country address the consequences of, and challenges associated with, the aging of the Canadian population and of skills shortages?

A lot of aging Canadian are still working. They have contributed to Canada in the past years and don't deserve to be picked on now by the Government. This is not new as the Government has known since the 40s this day was coming. Reduce the gold plated \$ given to immegrents. Setup a temp work program so aging Canadians can work along side of a new employee as a trainer and assistant for a period of time.

4. Productivity

With labour market challenges arising in part as a result of the aging of Canada's population and an ongoing focus on the actions needed for competitiveness, what specific federal initiatives are needed in order to increase productivity in Canada?

Stop pushing all this free trade on our Country and giving our resources away. Stop buying everything from China and Asia. Its time we forced these companies to manufacture in Canada instead of bailing to Mex or China. If they want our resources and to do business here then they manufacture here.

5. Other Challenges

With some Canadian individuals, businesses and communities facing particular challenges at this time, in your view, who is facing the most challenges, what are the challenges that are being faced and what specific federal actions are needed to address these challenges?

Manufacturing is top of the list. It is also the one that generates wealth over and over whereas resources once used up will never be again. Short run resources look good but long run manufacturing will be the one to create wealth over and over. Way to much Fed and Provincial employees taking to much. Pay to high to much time off.