

## Standing Committee on Finance (FINA)

### Pre-budget consultations 2012

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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?*

Focus on building Canada's domestic economy so we stop purchasing outside the country.

#### 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?*

Lower taxes for small businesses that have fewer than 10 employees. Increase incentives for large corporations to spend their savings in Canada

#### 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?*

The Canadian population is too fat. Higher health care premiums for overweight Canadians. Lower the Canadian dollar to put our skilled manufacturing workforce back to work

#### 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?*

Because of our vast multicultural background and high tech Canada could become a resource for other countries for on line customer service centres. We should utilize these valuable international skills at other countries expense.

#### 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?*

Employment Insurance is lacking in the understanding of how people really live their lives. Diane Finley needs sensitivity training.