

Overview of Key Themes

Area	Liberal	PC	NDP	Areas / Questions to Explore
Education system/ Training	Commitments: - Investment in high needs areas in K-12 to ensure equitable outcomes, including special education - Affordable child care - Postsecondary affordability though OSAP - Highly skilled workforce initiatives including apprenticeship modernization Other potential areas: - Amending K-12 assessment approaches	Commitments: - Revamped sex education curriculum based on consultation with parents - Focus on math - Looking at joint purchasing for school systems (rather than changing 2 system approach) - School board governance (trustees) Other potential areas: - College of Trades review and apprenticeship ratios (from 2014)	Commitments: - Support for debt free postsecondary education - Reform EQAO assessments - Class caps for kindergarten - Investment in support staff Other potential areas: - TBD	- What are different governance models for school boards? - What are main themes for assessment (EQAO) reforms? - What is status of apprenticeship reform and what is the ideal role of OCOT (Dean review?) - What are feasible actions for curriculum reform for September 2018? - How can the relationship between training/skills and economic development be strengthened?
Energy	Commitments: - Continued implementation of current fair hydro plan Other potential areas: - Opportunities for trade agreements to provide clean energy supply	Commitments: 12% reduction in hydro rates - Repeal Green Energy Act (GEA) - Support nuclear energy as source Other potential areas: - Review of accounting practices for OPG/IESO - CEO compensation - Supply mix	Commitments: - Establish a panel to look at return of Hydro One to public ownership - Re-establish independent oversight of Hydro One - Reduce hydro bills by 30% - Eliminate HST on bills Other potential areas: - TBD	- Options for further rate reductions (e.g., LDC review/consolidation?) - What are implications of repealing the GEA (e.g., unintended consequences to plan for)? - Review existing contracts for supply (e.g., FIT/renewable) and considerations
Environment/ Land-use Planning	Commitments: - Continued WCI participation and investment in CCAP - Strengthening role of GreenON (e.g., vs. IESO)	Commitments: - No cap and trade or price on carbon - Provide incentives for clean technologies?	Commitments: - Invest 25% of cap and trade revenues in northern and rural communities and for low income families - Replace Far North Act	- What options exist outside of pricing carbon to reduce GHGs? - What impact would a change in direction have on FPT and international relationships? - Review alignment with federal

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	Other potential areas: • Use of (free?) allowances to support sectors • Water taking permits – increase fee/tax? • Action on adaptation (with financial sectors)	Other potential areas: • Work with other key provinces to negotiate alternate approach with federal government	Other potential areas: • TBD	government on EAs, permits, etc. (could align with burden reduction initiatives) • Land-use planning (e.g., role of OMB, Far North Act)
Health Care	Commitments: • Hospital operating funding increases • Investment in mental health and addictions • Expansion of benefits (e.g., OHIP+, dental) Other potential areas: • TBD	Commitments: • Consult doctors and nurses on health care reform • Allow doctors to make decisions based on their conscience • Health care in the north, addressing overcrowding and wait times • Tax incentives for doctors who practice in North • Invest in mental health Other potential areas: • TBD	Commitments: • Ministry for mental health and addictions • Universal dental care by end of first mandate and universal pharmacare by 2020 • Fix overcrowding and reduce wait times • Inquiry into long term care system • Improve Indigenous health care services Other potential areas: • TBD	• What are key reforms that doctors and nurses might recommend, including governance models? • What are key tools for enhancing health care in underserved areas? • Key components of doctor assisted dying framework including referral system • Review drug coverage programs and opportunities to reduce costs for drugs • Review existing benefit/support programs to reduce duplication or inconsistencies
Finance/ Economy	Commitments: • Budget will set out investment plan and path to balance • Economic growth is generated by investing in people, and creating an attractive investment environment Other potential areas: • Auto insurance reductions	Commitments: • Cut provincial budget by 4% • Immediate plan to get back to balance • Consider removing foreign buyers tax • No tax increases in budget / reduce taxes / tax incentives • Create jobs • Review of cannabis delivery	Commitments: • Help home buyers (e.g., clamp down on land speculation and property flipping) • Address auto insurance affordability and inequity Other potential areas: • Corporate tax rates	• What are tax options available for business and individuals? • What are the models of program review to support path to balance?

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Business Supports	Commitments: • Good jobs plan – revamping existing business support programs • Investments in (re)training programs • Trade opportunities at sub-national level and international to support export and growth Other potential areas: • TBD	Commitments: • Red tape reduction (e.g., risk based audits) • Reduce hydro rates for industry Other potential areas: • Review of business support programs	Commitments: • Support for small and medium-sized businesses (e.g., government procurement) Other potential areas: • TBD	• What are the top requests from business in terms of government burden reduction? • True implementation of a single business number and one-window
Labour/ Employment	Commitments: • Labour reform implementation, including minimum wage increase to \$15 as of Jan. 2019 • Basic income Other potential areas: • Expansion of WSIB presumptions/coverage	Commitments: • Freeze minimum wage • Eliminate provincial tax below 30K • Review public sector pensions Other potential areas: • Review of recent labour reforms • Ability to pay arbitration • Provincial bargaining approach and upcoming agreements	Commitments: • Basic income • Raise minimum wage to \$15 • Various worker protections including unionizing when 55% of workers sign card in support Other potential areas: • TBD	• What is the cost to government of current pension plans and what are other models across Canada? • What is the status of current provincial income tax threshold when credits are included? • What are key upcoming agreements (e.g. teachers)? • Consider addition of “ability to pay” into arbitration process • Review WSIB premium framework
Transportation/ Infrastructure	Commitments: • Long-term infrastructure plan • Recent federal/provincial agreement including initial project list • Continued work with First Nations of Ring of Fire	Commitments: • Focus on development of Ring of Fire • Revive Northlander Rail Other potential areas: • Transit (e.g., smart track)	Commitments: • Revive Northlander Rail • Repair schools Other potential areas: • TBD	• What is in approved capital plan and where is there room to allocate to priorities? • What are main causes for delay in Ring of Fire and options for addressing? • What are northern transit options?

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	Other potential areas: • Toronto transit? • Fare integration			
Social Supports	Commitments: • Long-Term Affordable Housing Strategy • Fair Housing Plan • Income security and basic income Other potential areas: • TBD	• Market based approach to housing supply/demand • Build more affordable, single-family homes on underused land Other potential areas: • TBD	• Increase availability of affordable housing • Rent affordability; strengthen rights of tenants • Transform and modernize social safety net • Basic income Other potential areas: • TBD	• What are options for encouraging affordable housing (for renters and buyers)?
Government Service Delivery	Commitments: • TBD Other potential areas: • Diversity and inclusion principles	Commitments: • TBD Other potential areas: • Line by line review of spending • Look at sole source procurement • ABC review	Commitments: • TBD Other potential areas: • TBD	• What are the models of program review? • Review delivery of public services (e.g., outsourcing?)