
PD&G Committee Priorities Report

Cabinet Office, Policy & Delivery
June 12, 2017

What we've accomplished: legislation and regulations

Major Accomplishments from January 1st to June 1st 2017:

129 approved regulations (amending or new)

1188 orders in council (51 were non-appointment through LRC)

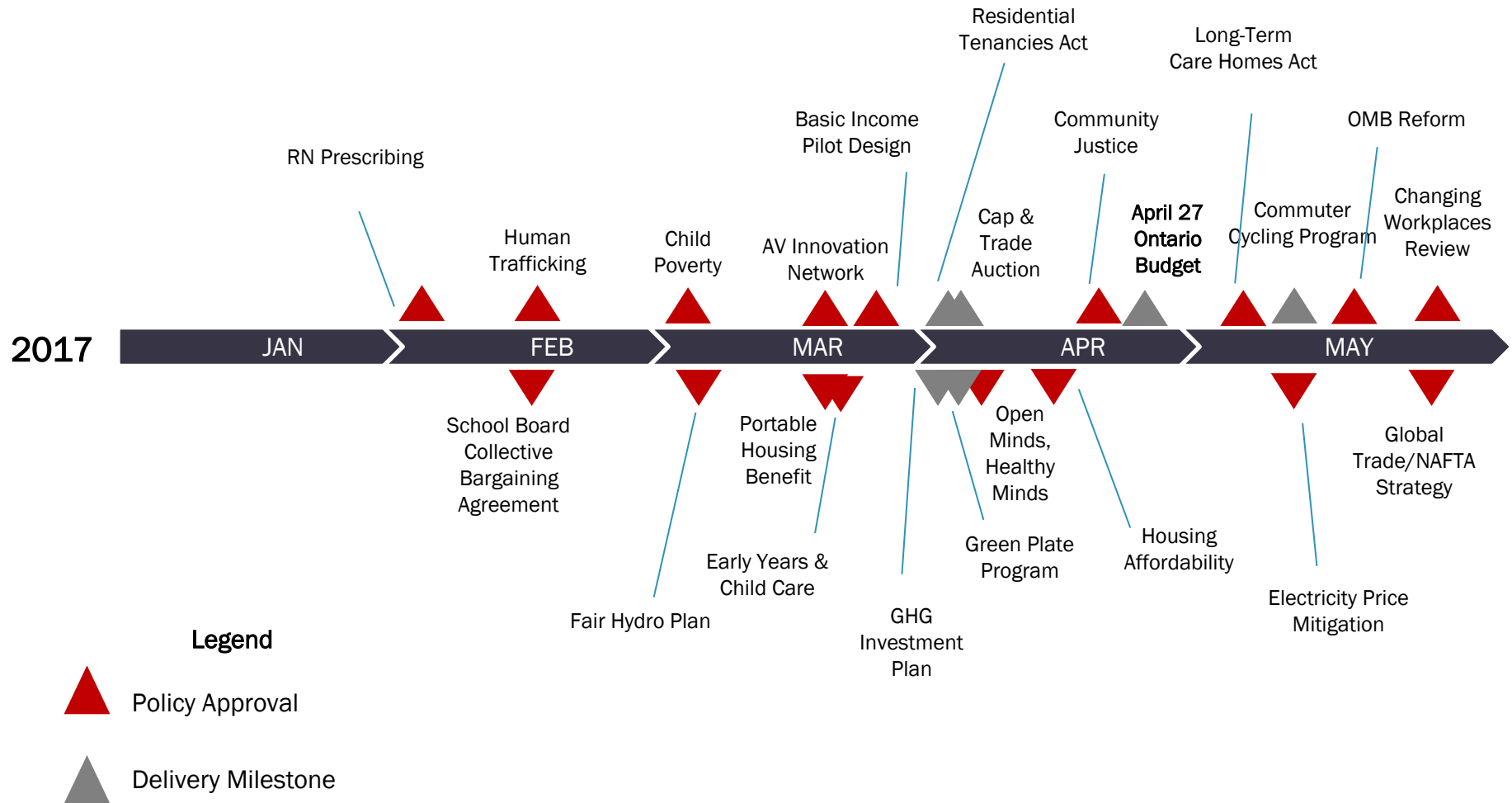
12 bills introduced in Spring 2017, with 3 in House

17 bills passed/received royal assent (just shy of record-breaking 18 bills)

*Bill 89 is one of the largest government bills ever

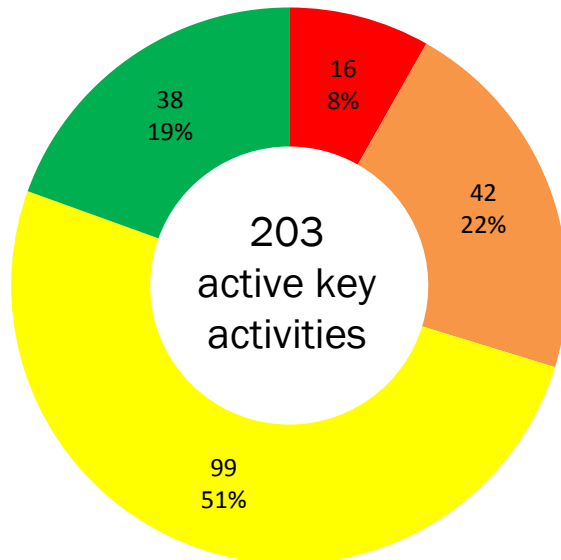
Passed/Royal Assent in Spring 2017 (Jan 1 st – June 1 st)		
Fall 2016 Bills (8)		Spring 2017 Bills (9)
• MEDG – Burden Reduction (Bill 27, March 22) • MNRF/MNDM – Aggregate Resources & Mining Modernization (Bill 39, May 10) • MGCS – Putting Consumers First (Bill 59, April 13) • MTO – Safer School Zones (Bill 65, May 30) • MMA – Modernizing ON Municipal Legislation (Bill 68, May 30) • MOHLTC/MAG – Medical Assistance in Dying (Bill 84, May 10) • MOHLTC/OSS – Protecting Patients (Bill 87, May 30) • MCYS – Supporting Children, Youth & Families* (Bill 89, June 1)		• EDU – School Boards Collective Bargaining (Bill 92, March 27) • ENERGY – Protecting Vulnerable Consumers (Bill 95, February 22) • MSW/MAG – Anti-Human Trafficking (Bill 96, May 30) • TBS – Supply Act (Bill 111, March 30) • ARD – Anti-Racism (Bill 114, June 1) • MHO – Rental Fairness (Bill 124, May 30) • MOF – Stronger, Healthier Ontario (Budget) (Bill 127, May 17) • ENERGY – Fair Hydro (Bill 132, June 1) • MOF – Budget Measures (Housing/Seniors) (Bill 134, June 1)
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What we've accomplished: major policy & delivery milestones

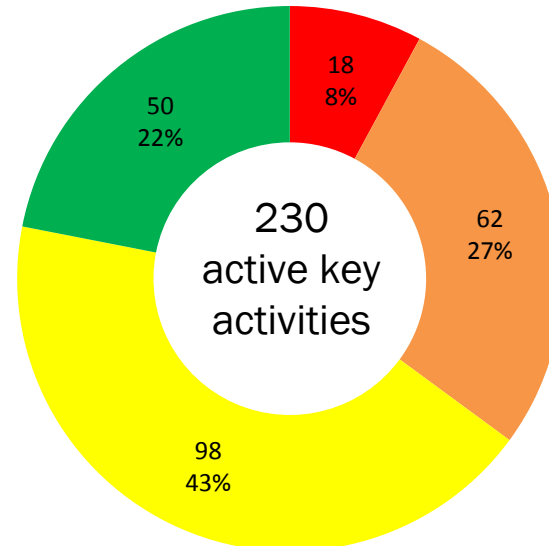


Now and then: Key activities & overall risk status

June 2016



Today [to be updated]



- Heightened Management Attention
- Management Attention
- Monitoring
- Satisfactory

2017 ONTARIO BUDGET – A STRONGER, HEALTHIER ONTARIO

Through our plan to balance the budget, support economic growth and invest in key public services, we will foster greater opportunity for more individuals and businesses; helping them get ahead and stay ahead. Ontario is committed to ensuring that everyone shares in the prosperity we are building together.

HELPING YOU AND YOUR FAMILY

With a growing economy and a balanced budget, the Ontario government is making investments in key services like health care and education that matter most to people, while at the same time lowering costs for necessities like electricity and child care.



CREATING OPPORTUNITIES AND SECURITY INVESTING IN PEOPLE AND JOBS

The Province is creating opportunities for people to find jobs and for business to grow and prosper in the new economy by developing a highly skilled workforce, investing in infrastructure, supporting business innovation and growth, and expanding exports.



PUBLIC SERVICES YOU CAN COUNT ON

STRENGTHENING HEALTH CARE

Universal access to public health care is part of the social fabric of Ontario that gives everyone a chance to succeed. Ontarians rely on high-quality, publicly funded health care to be there when and where they need it. The government is investing to reduce wait times, improve access to care and enhance the patient experience



INVESTING IN EDUCATION

Ontario's highly educated workforce is one of its greatest strengths. Ontario's world-class education system provides learners, young and old, with opportunities to access high-quality education and training programs, giving them the knowledge and skills they need for success in the modern economy.



BUILDING TRANSIT & TRANSPORTATION

To ensure Ontario remains a competitive and attractive place to live, work and invest, the Province will continue to build the next generation of transportation infrastructure. The government is working towards its goal of providing a world-class transit and transportation system that moves people and goods safely and efficiently to support a globally competitive economy and a high quality of life.



BUILDING INCLUSIVE COMMUNITIES & IMPROVING THE JUSTICE SYSTEM

All Ontarians should have the opportunity to realize their full potential and participate in society. Ontario's social services will be strengthened to help ensure that people have more stable and secure incomes, more affordable and adequate housing, and more support for adults with developmental disabilities. Ontario's justice system transformed to protect the interests of all people – victims, the public and the accused – while keeping communities safe.



RESTORING BALANCE: ONTARIO'S ECONOMIC AND FISCAL STRENGTH

The 2017 Budget plan delivers on the government's 2010 Budget commitment to restore balance in 2017-18. The Province is also projecting balanced budgets in both 2018-19 and 2019-20. A stronger economy, together with a balanced budget, is positioning Ontario for long-term fiscal sustainability.



Helping You and Your Family

Priority	What we've accomplished	Where we're going	Key Considerations	
Housing Affordability	16 point Housing Affordability Plan released on April 20, 2017 - Tax measures including non-resident speculation, in effect as of April 21, 2017 - Measures to expand rent control included in amended Residential Tenancies Act	- Affordable Housing Lands Program - Housing Supply Team Minister-chaired Housing Forum (meetings June, Sept, Jan and April) - Seeking proposals for 3 pilot sites in Toronto to create an estimated 2000 new rental units, 600 of which affordable housing	Stakeholder concerns relate to affordability of ground related housing; perception of limited supply of land vs other factors affecting affordability	04.51
Autism				04.63
Child Care				04.67

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Ontario's Fair Hydro Plan	- On May 1, 2017 OESP benefits were expanded by 50% - On June 1, 2017 <i>The Fair Hydro Plan Act, 2017</i> received Royal Assent	- Implementation of 25% average electricity rate reduction through GA refinancing, - Changes to Rural and Remote Rate Protection (RRRP) - Establishment of additional Distribution Rate Protection (DRP – Expanded RRRP), and the on-reserve First Nations Delivery Credit (FNDC)	- Addressing rising electricity prices is among the highest priorities for Ontarians - Since the OFHP was announced March 2, 2017 there has been increased media attention and public pressure for the government to take the necessary steps to enact the commitments made in the plan	15.21
Seniors Strategy (including Long-Term Care)				04.27

Creating Opportunities and Security/ Investing in People and Jobs

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NAFTA/Trade Issues	- Initial negotiating mandate - John Gero appointed special trade advisor. - Initial meeting of FPT officials. - Premiers' mission to Washington DC, and ongoing US engagement	- NAFTA negotiations expected to begin in late summer/early fall - Ongoing FPT engagement on strategy, tactics, offensive and defensive interests	- Provinces/territories may have diverging interests. - ON must engage proactively since Federal government can conclude negotiations over objections	01.11
				01.12
Cap and Trade/ GreenON	- First Cap and Trade auction raised \$472M on March 22; Second auction results June 13 - GreenON program design approved; home energy concierge & website launched in July	- New GreenOn programs rollout in August/September - School renewal announcement - Second auction in June and Third Auction in September	- Heightened stakeholder interest (incl. OAGO and FAO) in how government invests cap and trade proceeds - Investments need to show a clear and direct effect on reducing GHGs	03.03
				03.04
Changing Workplaces Review & Increasing Minimum Wage	Introduced legislation, the <i>Fair Workplaces, Better Jobs Act, 2017</i> to increase the minimum wage and make changes to employment standards and labour relations to promote fairness	New minimum wage increases set to be staged in as of January 2018 and January 2019	The proposal is expected to reduce flexibility for employers, increase costs and potentially reduce competitiveness	04.45

Creating Opportunities and Security/ Investing in People and Jobs

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Cannabis	- Vision to promote public health/safety, and protect vulnerable population approved - MAG Cannabis Secretariat created - Ongoing FPT engagement	- Public/stakeholder consultation beginning end of June - Legislation Fall 2017, including a retail model - Implementation July 2018	- Fed implementation timeline (July 1/18) - Stakeholders concerns e.g. public health - Need to balance policy aims, protect youth and reduce illegal market	04.56
Federal-Provincial Infrastructure	- FPT discussions on Federal "Investing in Canada" \$81B including program design - Potential allocation scenarios considered	- FPT engagement on implementation of Federal Plan - PortLands Flood protection commitment	Federal program design not yet known. Could limit funding by requiring "outcomes-based" funding, prevent incrementalism, or require cost sharing	13.10
Small Business Strategy	- Burden Reduction Bill 2016 proclaimed, policy approved for 2017 Bill - Scale-Up Venture Fund and Scale-Up Voucher program; - Small Business Innovation Challenge	- Small Business Strategy To consider tax credit/deferral - Procurement opportunities - Expand peer to peer lending including government fund. - Clemency Fee reductions	- Need to balance small business supports with scale-up supports - No consistent definition of small business	01.05

Strengthening Health Care

Priority	What we've accomplished	Where we're going	Key Considerations	
LHIN Transformation				07.02
OHIP+ and Other Public Drug Programs				07.16

Investing in Education and Building a Highly-skilled Workforce

Priority	What we've accomplished	Where we're going	Key Considerations	
Improving Student Well-Being and Supporting Special Needs Students				8.04
				8.05
Experiential Learning and Mentorship				8.23
Lifelong Learning, Skills and Immigration Strategy				8.17
				8.20

Building Transit and Transportation

Priority	What we've accomplished	Where we're going	Key Considerations	
Transportation and Transit outside the GTHA	- Completed Brampton Zum BRT - Complete Mississauga Transitway - Launch Finch LRT procurement - Increased service levels across network, including 2 way, all day, 30 minute - Initiated procurement of Hurontario LRT - Initiated procurement of Hamilton LRT	- Complete rail rationalization negotiations between Metrolinx and CN - Hurontario construction to begin - Begin construction on Finch LRT - Complete Union Station revitalization - Fare integration to ease cross boundary travel - Complete Durham Hwy 2 BRT	- Community engagement, project management and cost control will be key to successful delivery - Will need to continue to manage transit and fiscal expectations of the City of Toronto and other mayors and chairs - Considering viability of other propulsion options, e.g. Hydrogen	Var. 13.01 to .06
GO Regional Express Rail, Rail Rationalization, and High Speed Rail	- Re-launched connecting link program - Initiated procurement of enabling works RER - Released High Speed Rail Report - Expanded GO service to communities such as Kitchener-Waterloo, Bowmanville and Niagara Fall	- Complete Waterloo Rapid Transit - Complete Ottawa LRT Stage 1 - Expansion of Highway 417 - Continued engagement with London on its rapid transit	- Entered into agreement with Alstom to minimize risks associated with a potential delay in the delivery of LRVs by Bombardier for Toronto transit projects - No funding in the Province's fiscal plan for HSR beyond the \$15M for the EA	Var. 13.01 to .06
Other GTHA Transit	- UP Express operational - Launched HOT Pilot on QEW - Completed 407East - Road safety measures including including increased penalties for distracted driving, measures to protect cyclists and students - Herb Gray parkway completed - In 2016-17 committed more than \$2.7 billion to continue to design, repair and expand provincially owned highways and bridges across Ontario.	- Committed \$15M to comprehensive environmental assessment - Introduce HOT lanes on Hwy 427 - Additional road safety measured including drug impaired driving - Intercommunity bus strategy - Report from GTA West panel - Continued investments in #CycleON	Continue to provide balance in investments within GTHA and the rest of the province	Var. 13.01 to .06

Building Inclusive Communities and Improving the Justice System

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Corrections Transformation; Strategy for a Safer Ontario (SSO); and Police Oversight Review (POR)	- Howard Sapers appointed to conduct corrections review; interim report released May 2017 - Extensive stakeholder consultations and First Nations engagement on SSO; first set of SSO initiatives Cabinet approved Feb 2017 - Justice Tulloch review of SIU, OIPRD and OCPC completed; report released April 2017	- Sapers' final report expected late summer 2017; transfer healthcare to MOHLTC - SSO and police oversight report backs to Cabinet June 2017 - New corrections, policing, and police oversight legislation planned for fall 2017 intro	- High stakeholder and public expectations to deliver corrections reform, SSO, and POR - Significant investments required, not all of which are incorporated in the Fiscal Plan (TB/MBC approvals required)	04.43
Basic Income Pilot				05.04

Looking Forward:

Fall Economic Statement priorities [slide TBC]