
As part of its balanced plan to build Ontario up and help people in their everyday lives, the Ontario government ~~will~~ intends to introduce legislation that, if passed, would ~~eliminate-rebate~~ the provincial portion of HST on residential, farm, and small business electricity bills as of January 1, 2017. Rural ~~and remote~~ electricity ratepayers ~~will~~ would receive additional rebates relief and commercial, institutional and industrial ratepayers ~~would~~ will also benefit from lower electricity costs. ~~(NTD: Reg amendments are required to implement these additional rebates and it is advisable that we avoid words that connote certainty until such time as LGIC approves the regulations.)~~

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The government's plan will help people in their everyday lives by:

- Delivering electricity rate relief through legislation to ~~eliminate-rebate~~ the provincial portion of the HST on electricity bills — a saving of ~~at least~~ about \$130 annually for the typical Ontario ~~urban~~ ratepayer; eligible rural ~~and remote~~ ratepayers would receive additional rebates, resulting in average annual savings of ~~\$670~~ \$540. Businesses ~~will~~ would also benefit from ~~these changes~~ the plan through the expansion of the Industrial Conservation Initiative and the recycling of cap and trade auction proceeds.