
As part of its balanced plan to build Ontario up and help people in their everyday lives, the Ontario government intends to introduce legislation that, if passed, would rebate the provincial portion of HST on residential, farm, and small business electricity bills as of January 1, 2017. Rural electricity ratepayers would receive additional relief and commercial, institutional and industrial ratepayers would also benefit from lower electricity costs.

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

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