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)

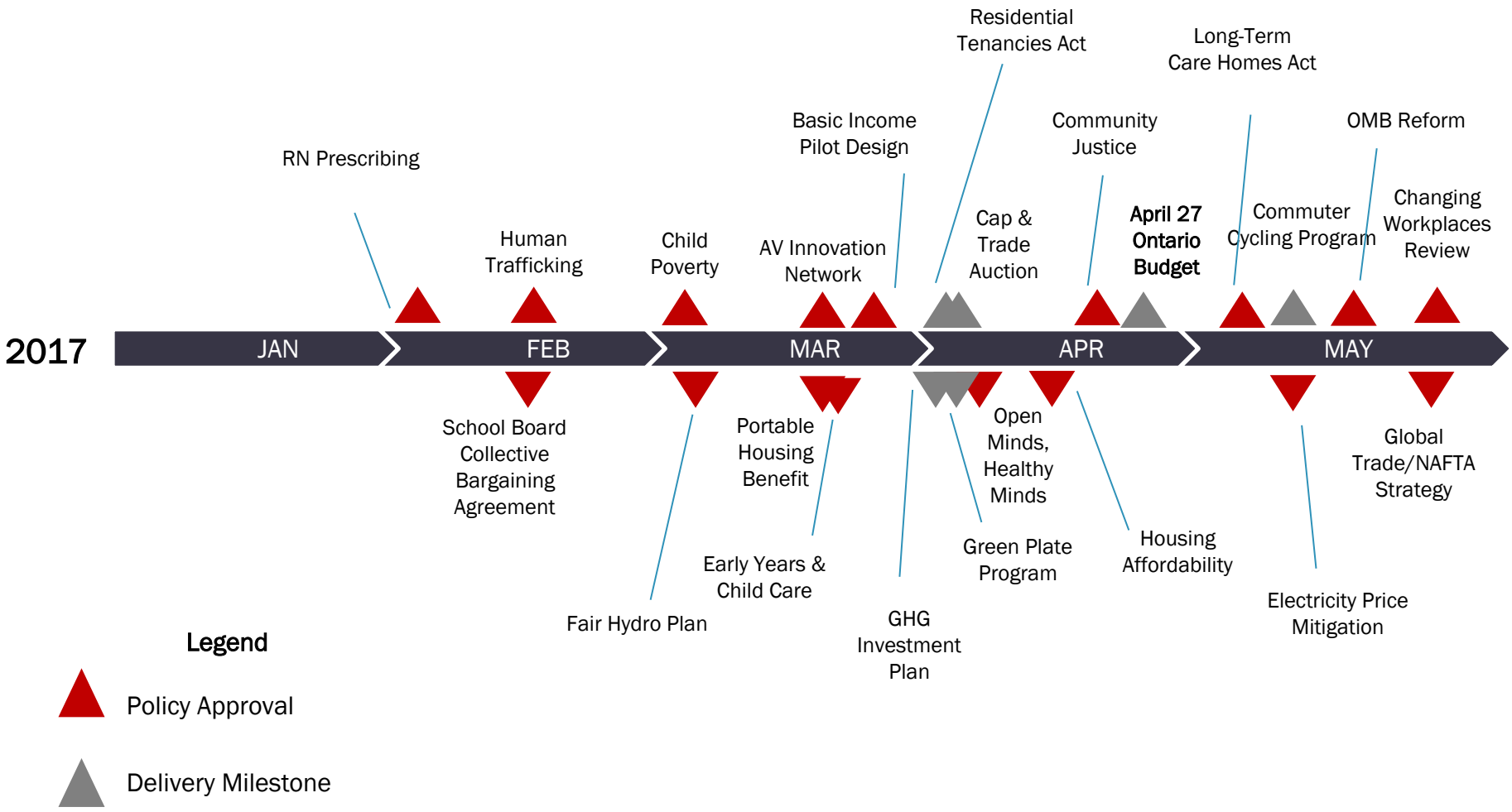
12 bills introduced in Spring 2017, with 3 in House

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

*Bill 89 is one of the largest government bills ever

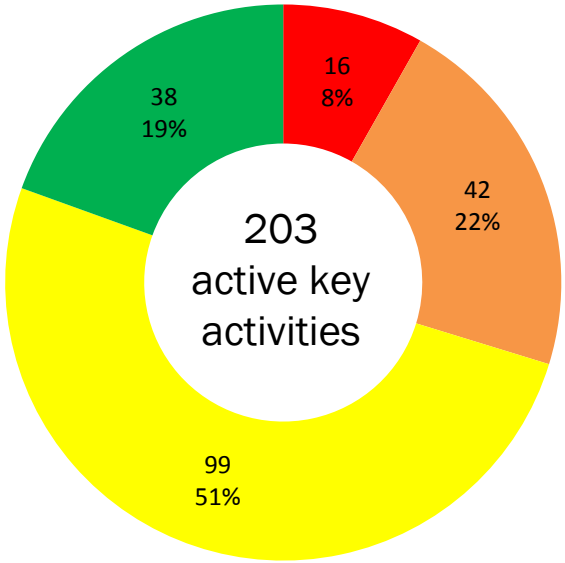
Passed/Royal Assent in Spring 2017 (Jan 1st – June 1st)	
Fall 2016 Bills (8)	Spring 2017 Bills (9)
• MEDG – Burden Reduction (Bill 27, March 22) • MNRF/MNDM – Aggregate Resources & Mining Modernization (Bill 39, May 10) • MGCS – Putting Consumers First (Bill 59, April 13) • MTO – Safer School Zones (Bill 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)

What we've accomplished: major policy & delivery milestones



Now and then:
Key activities & overall risk status

June 2016



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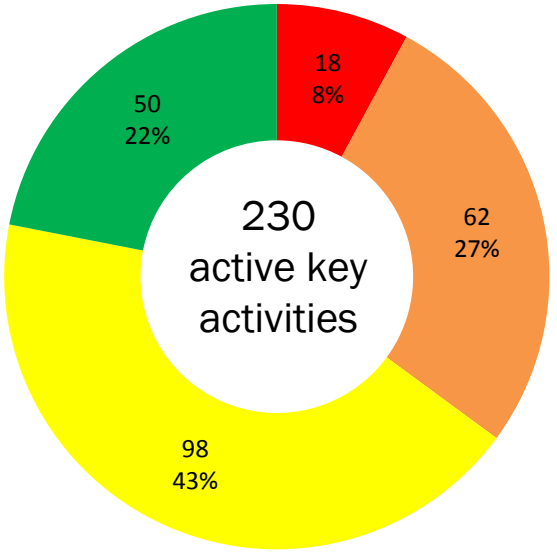

Heightened Management Attention

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	• Ontario's Fair Housing Plan announced (Apr. 20) • Tax measures, including non-resident speculation, in effect • Approvals Roundtable underway • Measures to expand rent control included in amended Residential Tenancies Act	• Development Charge Rebate Program under development (fall) • Housing Supply Team Minister-chaired Housing Forum rolling out • Affordable Housing Lands Program (summer, beginning with Toronto)	• Stakeholder perceptions • Actual long-term impact • Unintended consequences	04.51
Autism				04.63
Child Care				04.67

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Ontario's Fair Hydro Plan/ Long-Term Energy Plan	• *The Fair Hydro Plan Act, 2017* received Royal Assent (June 1) • OESP benefits were expanded by 50% (May 1) • Consultations on 2017 LTEP	• Implementation GA refinancing mechanism • Changes to Rural and Remote Rate Protection (RRRP) • Establishment of additional Distribution Rate Protection and the on-reserve First Nations Delivery Credit • Finalizing LTEP as 20-year road map (fall release)	• LDC capacity • Rate reductions are on average, not universal • Challenging implementation • Alignment with priorities	15.21
Seniors Strategy (including Long-Term Care)				04.27

Creating Opportunities and Security/ Investing in People and Jobs

Priority	What we've accomplished	Where we're going	Key Considerations	
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 • Investment plan approved for use of proceeds	• GreenON -- home energy concierge & website launch (July) • New GreenOn programs (summer/fall)	• Ability to implement programs quickly and yield results	03.03 03.04
Changing Workplaces Review & Increasing Minimum Wage	• Introduced the *Fair Workplaces, Better Jobs Act, 2017* • Undertaking consultations over summer	• New minimum wage increases begin January 2018 • Regulations to implement many measures for 2018 and 2019	• Stakeholder concerns • Unintended consequences	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 • Ongoing FPT engagement	• Pubic/stakeholder consultations beginning end of June • Legislation Fall 2017, including a retail model • Implementation July 2018	• Federal 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 incrementatlity, 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 (FES) - 5 point plan to consider tax credit/deferral, procurement opportunities, expand peer to peer lending, including government fund, and 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	
Transit – Inside GTHA	• Completed Brampton Zum BRT and Mississauga Transitway • Launch Finch LRT procurement • Increased service levels across network, including 2 way, all day, 30 minute • Initiated procurement of Hurontario & Hamilton LRT • Vehicle procurement agreement	• Complete negotiations wit CN • Hurontario and Finch LRT construction to begin • Complete Union Station revitalization • Fare integration to ease cross boundary travel • Complete Durham Hwy 2 BRT	• Community engagement, project management and cost control • Expectations of stakeholders/partners (e.g., City of Toronto and other mayors) • Viability of new technology	Var. 13.01 to .06
Transit & Transportation – Outside GTHA	• Re-launched connecting link program • Initiated procurement of enabling works RER • Expanded GO service to communities such as Kitchener-Waterloo, Bowmanville and Niagara Fall	• Complete Waterloo Rapid Transit and Ottawa LRT Stage 1 • Expansion of Highway 417 • Continued engagement with London on rapid transit	• Delivery timelines	Var. 13.01 to .06
Other Transit & Transportation	• Released High Speed Rail Report • UP Express operational • Launched HOT Pilot on QEW • Completed 407East • Road safety measures (increased penalties for distracted driving, measures to protect cyclists and students) • Herb Gray parkway completed • Significant investment in highways and bridges	• Committed $15M to EA for HSR • Introduce HOT lanes on Hwy 427 • Additional road safety measures • Intercommunity bus strategy • Report from GTA West panel • Continued investments in #CycleON	• Balance in investments within GTHA and the rest of the province • Fiscal limitations	Var. 13.01 to .06

Building Inclusive Communities and Improving the Justice System

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Justice Reform (Corrections and Policing)	• Howard Sapers appointed to review corrections; interim report on segregation released May 2017 • Justice Tulloch review of police oversight bodies released April 2017	• Sapers' final report expected late summer 2017, informing new legislation for corrections sector • Strategy for a Safer Ontario and reform for police oversight bodies released, with legislation for fall	• High stakeholder and public expectations to deliver corrections reform, SSO, and POR • Significant investments required • Challenging culture to shift	04.43
Basic Income Pilot				05.04

Looking Forward:

Fall Economic Statement priorities [slide TBC]