

Treasury Board Secretariat
Question Period Report – Thursday October 19, 2017

Questions:

1. MPP Brown (PC) to Minister Thibeault (Energy) –re: Have you dragged your feet in supplying the Auditor General's office with emails? You have released roughly 1 percent of the possible emails.
2. MPP Smith (PC) to the Premier and Minister Thibeault (Energy) – re: You have made up your own rules when it comes to working with the people charged with the financial oversight of this province.
3. MPP Tabuns (NDP) to the Premier and Minister Thibeault (Energy) – re: Who were the senior executives of government that were warned about what it would cost to reduce, temporarily, hydro bills and what those bills would eventually cost everyone in the future?
4. MPP Tabuns (NDP) to the Premier and Minister Thibeault (Energy) – re: One government official said this about the Liberals' determination to make people pay an extra \$4 billion on their hydro bills. Quote -- *hopefully they'll come to the conclusion that the plan can be financed by the province rather than externally, as that would be a lot simpler and cheaper*. Why does the **Premier** ignore the advice of non-partisan public servants and push ahead with this financial cover-up?- Withdraw.
5. MPP Fedeli (PC) to Minister Sousa (Finance) - re: This morning we learned from the financial accountability office that the government's debt reduction claims are \$6.5 billion off the mark. The F.A.O. said that's equal to eliminating funding for 40% of Ontario's hospitals, to put it in perspective. They painted a bleak and stark long-term budget outlook for Ontario. Meanwhile the government continues to insist they're on track even though they use the same data the financial accountability officer used. The F.A.O. clearly stated, quote -- *without an adjustment to Ontario's fiscal policy, we will see increasing budget deficits and higher levels of debt*. The people of Ontario clearly cannot trust anything this government says. Speaker, will the

Minister come clean about their debt claims and tell us what they plan to do to address the new concerns?

6. MPP Wayne Gates (NDP) to the Premier and Minister Ballard (Environment)
– re: When will you address the dumping of waste into our Niagara River?
7. MPP Cindy Foster (NDP) to Minister Flynn (Labour) – re: Will you tell us how you will assist the people of the GE plant in Peterborough who have suffered from their workplace environment?