

Afternoon Media/tweet Scan w/ Premier Wynne Media Avail and CBC Metro Morning with Benzie - Hydro Costs - March 1, 2017

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CFTO (Toronto)

Sources tell CTV News that Premier Kathleen Wynne is planning to cut hydro prices substantially this year.

GLOBAL (Toronto)

There is word today from the Toronto Star that the Premier is working on a plan to cut hydro bills by 25%.

CJOH (Ottawa)

The Toronto Star is reporting that the provincial government will announce a plan to cut hydro rates by as much as 25-per-cent this year. Web Poll: Will a 25% cut in hydro rates make a difference in your household budget?

MCTV (Sudbury)

Members of the United Steelworkers Local 2251, which represents workers at Essar Steel Algoma, have given negotiators a strong strike mandate.

A Milton man who won \$10,000 at the Mohawk Racetrack was told he was not allowed to keep his winnings and escorted off the property.

AFTERNOON CLIPS

Ontario Budget

[If Ontario balances its budget, spending discipline remains mandatory | Fraser Institute](#)

www.fraserinstitute.org - Wed Mar 1 2017

Byline: Ben Eisen

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[Two federal budgets, one problem—spending | Fraser Institute](#)

www.fraserinstitute.org - Wed Mar 1 2017

Byline:Livio Di Matteo

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Housing Market Correction

[Another of Canada's big bank CEOs is warning about housing market corrections](#)

Financial Post - Wed Mar 1 2017

Byline:Alexandra Posadzki, The Canadian Press

OLG – Self Exclusion

[Ont. man denied \\$10,000 jackpot over casino 'self-exclusion' rule | CTV News](#)

www.ctvnews.ca - Wed Mar 1 2017

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Hydro Bills

[PCs rip Liberal plan to cut hydro bills 25%](#)

torontosun.com - Wed Mar 1 2017

Byline:The Canadian Press

Bank of Canada

[BoC holds rates, casts cautious eye on economy, Trump policies; Bank of Canada again holds key rate at 0.5 per cent](#)

theglobeandmail.com - Wed Mar 1 2017, 10:04am ET

Byline:BARRIE McKENNA

[Bank of Canada holds key rate as 'significant uncertainties' weigh on country's outlook](#)

Financial Post - Wed Mar 1 2017

Byline:The Canadian Press

Mississauga Property Tax

[Mississauga explosion victims stuck with property taxes](#)

torontosun.com - Wed Mar 1 2017

Byline:Joe Warmington Toronto Sun

U.S. / WTO Trade

[U.S. Not Bound by WTO Decisions, Trump Warns in New Trade Agenda - Bloomberg](#)

www.bloomberg.com - Wed Mar 1 2017

Byline:Andrew Mayeda

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Miscellaneous

[Kelly McParland: Kathleen Wynne tries to outrun her own "suboptimal outcomes"](#)

News - National Post - Wed Mar 1 2017

Byline:Kelly McParland

TWEETS

Budget Talks



[Deb Matthews](#) Verified account [@Deb_Matthews](#) 4m4 minutes ago

An impressive 19,229 votes cast by 6,774 people for [#BudgetTalks](#) projects! Look out for the winners in [#Ontario](#) 2017 budget. [#ONpoli](#) [#diggov](#)

Minister Sousa / Hydro Costs



[Allison Smith](#) [@QueensParkToday](#) 1m1 minute ago

[.@brownbarrie](#) accuses Finance Min Charles Sousa of playing a “shell game” w/ hydro by shifting hydro costs from ratepayers to taxpayers



[Allison Jones](#) Verified account [@allisonjones_cp](#) 3m3 minutes ago

[.@brownbarrie](#) q: isn't shifting hydro burden to tax base a shell game? [@SousaCharles](#): we're balancing the budget! [#onpoli](#)



[Ontario PC](#) Verified account [@OntarioPCParty](#) 3m3 minutes ago

.@brownbarrie asks the Premier to come clean and admit that the cost of hydro may go down but people's taxes will go up #onpoli



[Allison Smith @QueensParkToday](#) 7m7 minutes ago

Sousa tries to throw shade at @brownbarrie by making a "brown out" joke. But it didn't really make sense.



[Robert Benzie](#) Verified account @robertbenzie 15m15 minutes ago

.@brownbarrie not impressed by @Kathleen_Wynne cutting electricity rates 25 per cent this year. #onpoli

Think Tanks / Research



[The Fraser Institute @FraserInstitute](#) 3m3 minutes ago

Balanced budget or not, Ontario will remain most highly indebted sub-national jurisdiction in world: op-ed <https://shar.es/1UH6n> #onpoli

Bank of Canada



[Bank of Canada](#) Verified account @bankofcanada 2m2 minutes ago

Bank of Canada maintains overnight rate target at 1/2 per cent



[National Post](#) Verified account @nationalpost 8m8 minutes ago

Bank of Canada holds key rate as 'significant uncertainties' weigh on country's outlook <http://business.financialpost.com/news/economy/bank-of-canada-holds-key-rate> ... #business

Bank of Canada holds interest rates: Read why in their own words <http://ow.ly/8TkO309tzgp> #business

Federal Finance



[FinanceCanada](#) Verified account @FinanceCanada 3m3 minutes ago

Minister of Finance to Make Retirement Security Announcement <http://ow.ly/9fpb309tKqM>

Contraband Tobacco - Smoking



Cormac Mac Sweeney Verified account @cmaconthehill 3m3 minutes ago

Federal Health Minister [@janephilpott](#) says nothing set in stone, but not ruling out a federal minimum smoking age of 21 [#cdnpoli](#)

Min. smoking age of 21 was put forward in Health Canada discussion paper considering ways to hit target of 5% smoking rate by 2035 [#cdnpoli](#)

OLG / Gaming



CTV News Verified account @CTVNews 30m30 minutes ago

Ont. man denied \$10,000 jackpot over casino 'self-exclusion' rule <http://ow.ly/kOqz309tm7c>

Miscellaneous



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BREAKING: Michael "Pinball" Clemons to run for @OntarioPCParty in OAKVILLE NORTH BURLINGTON.



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Party sources say Toronto Deputy Mayor @DenzilMW will be acclaimed as @OntarioPCParty candidate in Don Valley East. STAR CANDIDATE

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