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INSTANT HANSARD

>> MPP Scott: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. My question is to the Minister of Energy. The Hydro One board of directors agreed to pay the Hydro One C.E.O. Over \$10 million in severance should he be fired. When did the **Premier** know about this? When did the **Premier** know about this? And did the **Premier** sign off on this outrageous secret deal?

>> Minister Thibeault: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The only thing that's secret in this province is what they're going to cut, Mr. Speaker. What are they going to cut? Is it the \$750, up to \$750 a year to help seniors stay in their home, Mr. Speaker? Is that what they're going to cut? That's what we think they're going to cut, Mr. Speaker. What about free child care -- child care and individuals children from the age of 2-and-a-half to 4, Mr. Speaker? They're going to cut that, Mr. Speaker. The only thing that's secret, Mr. Speaker, is their platform because no one sees it. No one talks about it, Mr. Speaker. All they do, Mr. Speaker, is talk about firing and cutting, Mr. Speaker. On this side of the House, we talk about care and opportunity. We are going to continue to care for the people of this province, invest in our province and make sure there's opportunities for everyone in this province, Mr. Speaker, and that's why we made sure that. Tuition for 225,000 people will be free this year, Mr. Speaker, thanks to this government.

>> MPP Scott: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Again to the Minister of Energy. Well, if the C.E.O. And the board at Hydro One had any respect for their customers, the people of Ontario, if they cared, they would resign. So will the **Premier** and the Minister join us in calling for this outrageous decision to be reversed?

>> Minister Thibeault: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Once again, talking about reversing, Mr. Speaker, that party that reverses course more often than a spinning turtle, Mr. Speaker. They actually sit there and one day will say that they're actually going to keep the people -- the fair hydro plan, and they sneak it into the people's guarantee and then next thing you know, Mr. Speaker, the people's guarantee is gone out the window. The carbon tax is gone out the window. Apparently climate change just stopped, Mr. Speaker, according to the Conservatives. But on this side of the House, we're going to continue to invest in the people of Ontario. We're going to continue to make sure that we bring forward minimum wage, something that they will cut, Mr. Speaker. We know, Mr. Speaker, on this side of the House that governments are here to make sure that we can continue to invest and help the people of Ontario. That's what we did through our fair hydro plan. That they voted against. That's why we're bringing forward more day care, more medicine for everyone --

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