

Cost Estimate of Election Campaign Proposal

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Short Title: Corporate surtax on financial institutions

Description: The Introduction of a 3% surtax on Canadian taxable earnings in excess of \$1 billion for

corporations operating primarily in the financial sector.

Cost of Proposed

Measure:

\$ millions	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026	Total
Total cost	-296	-1,196	-1,236	-1,276	-1,318	-5,323

Notes: Estimates are presented on an accrual basis as would appear in the budget and public

accounts.

 \cdot A positive number implies a reduction in the budgetary balance (lower revenues or higher spending). A negative number implies an increase in the budgetary balance (higher revenues

or lower spending).

 \cdot "-" = PBO does not expect a financial cost.

Estimation and projection method:

Future taxable earnings were projected based on publicly available financial data and future nominal GDP growth from the EPC baseline. To account for possible behavioral responses of

affected corporations, an attrition rate was applied to the estimated tax base.

Source of Uncertainty:

The main sources of uncertainty relate to the projection of taxable earnings and the

magnitude of the behavioural response.

Data Sources: Variable Source

Segmented financial data Capital IQ¹, Office of the Superintendent of

Financial Institutions

Attrition rate Office for Budget Responsibility

Nominal GDP growth PBO EPC baseline

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