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House of Commons Standing Committee on Finance – Pre-budget Consultations 2013

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Topic: Federal budgets and the public service

*Recommendation 1: Please provide a short summary of your recommendation.

Please address the skyrockets cost of running the government itself. Wages and benefits along with pension costs for the civil service needs to be tied to similar positions in the private sector. It's upsetting to those working, and running businesses, in the private sector to see wages and benefits so much richer in the public sector.
It would,probably, only be realistic to freeze things for a period of time and then study realistic, and affordable packages for the future tied to expected GDP growth/shrinkage, inflation and settlements in the private sector.
Average Canadians will understand

Expected cost or savings: From the pull-down menus, please indicate the expected cost or savings of your recommendation to the federal government and the period of time to which the expected cost or savings is related.

unknown

2 years

Federal funding: Please provide a precise indication of how the federal government could fund your recommendation. For example, indicate what federal spending should be reallocated, what federal tax measure(s) should be introduced, eliminated or changed, etc.

We need to get the deficit under control and even, someday, look at how we can start to pay down the debt.
Low interest rates will not be here forever and the cost of servicing the debt will skyrocket.
The above is a component of how to get the long term costs under control.

Intended beneficiaries: Please indicate the groups of individuals, the sector(s) and/or the regions that would benefit by implementation of your recommendation.

All tax payers now and in the future

General impacts: Depending on the nature of your recommendation, please indicate how the standard of living of Canadians would be improved, jobs would be created, people would be trained, etc.

Topic: Health

Recommendation 2: Please provide a short summary of your recommendation.

We need to address the long term costs of the public health care system. I,m sure that's your favorite topic.
We must examine more involvement by the private sector and, gasp, some sort of user fee system. Also those abusing the system who are receiving benefits and have not contributed.
The demographics of the Canadian population mean the present system is unsustainable in the long run.
I want Canadians in the future, my children included, to receive quality health care.

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$1 billion or more

5 or more years

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We're talking about cost containment here through involvement by the private sector. Also being funded, on some reasonable basis, by users of the system.

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Everybody benefits from a quality health care system and I think the quality can be improved, while reducing costs, through the involvment of the private sector

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Affordable long term health care with the latest innovations is a benefit to all.

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Please use this page if you wish to provide more explanation about your recommendation(s).

*Please note that at least one recommendation must be provided