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

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

That the federal government invest in a project with the private sector that will stimulate enrolment in supplementary healthcare by self-employed indiviuals working within the creative economy thus eliminating considerable cost to the health care system in the mis to long term.

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.

$10 million-$99.9 million

5 or more 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.

The relatively small investment ($5 Million CDN) could be reallocated from one or more sources within government inclusing: The Department of Canadian Heritage, HRSDC, The Employmwent Insurance program or Health Canada.

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

The initial beneficiaries will be the individuals who receive subsidy for the extended health insurance benefits. The private sector insurance providers participating will also benefit. The long term and more substantial beneficiaries will be the Canadian taxpayer as a result of savings to the publicly funded health care system.

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.

The standard of health care for the previously under-insured participants will be substantially improved. This fact will, in turn, sustain their economic and social contribution to Canada through their capacity to continue their work within the creative economy.

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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