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Subject: FW: Provincial Budget 2023 Consultation

Good afternoon,

On behalf of the **Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services**, we are writing to invite you to participate in the **Budget 2023 consultation**.

In recent years, the Committee has been pleased to see participation in the budget consultation continue to increase. To ensure that all British Columbians continue to have the opportunity to participate effectively, the Committee has looked at ways to simplify and standardize the consultation process. As such, the Committee has made some adjustments to the consultation process that are based on best practices observed from previous consultations and aim to make the process more efficient and accessible for all participants.

This year, participants are asked to focus on three recommendations for the next provincial budget and presenters who may wish to provide written information in support of their presentation are asked to fill out a submission form and email it to FinanceCommittee@leg.bc.ca. Further details about participation are outlined below.

How to participate:

1. Present to the Committee

- Meetings will be scheduled in-person and virtually in June. To present to the Committee, please complete the [presentation request form](#) by **3:00 p.m. (Pacific) on Friday, May 6**. Parliamentary Committees Office staff will follow up with you in late May.
- Similar to last year, presenters may be grouped into small panels by theme or region.
- Presenters will have five minutes to speak and are asked to focus their presentation on **three** recommendations.
- Presenters wanting to submit written information in support of their presentation are asked to fill out the submission form and email it to FinanceCommittee@leg.bc.ca. A copy of the form is available on the Committee's website and will be emailed to presenters along with confirmation of their presentation details. Information provided in the form should focus on the same three recommendations put forward in the presentation.
- Presenters choosing to provide additional information are asked to email their completed form approximately two weeks in advance to allow sufficient time for Committee Members to review the information (exact date will be provided in confirmation emails).

2. Send written comments using the new submission form

- Visit the consultation portal to fill out the submission form between **Monday, May 30** and **Friday, June 24**.

3. **Complete a survey** between **Monday, May 30** and **Friday, June 24**.

The Committee will issue a report with recommendations for Budget 2023 by November 15, 2022.

Share the consultation:

We welcome you to share this information with other British Columbians. A news release and poster are available to download from the Committee's website.

To participate or learn more about the consultation:

- Visit the Committee's website <https://bcleg.ca/FGSbudget>
- Follow us on Twitter [@BCLegislature](https://twitter.com/BCLegislature)
- Like us on Facebook [@LegislativeAssemblyBC](https://www.facebook.com/LegislativeAssemblyBC)

If you have any questions about the Budget 2023 Consultation, the Committee's work, or the information in this email, please contact us by email at FinanceCommittee@leg.bc.ca or phone at 250-356-2933 or 1-877-428-8337 (toll-free in BC).

The Committee values your input and looks forward to hearing from British Columbians again this year.

Kind regards,

Parliamentary Committees Office
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