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JULIAN PLAN TO OVERSEE MPs' SPENDING APPROVED IN PARLIAMENT

OTTAWA Peter tabled a motion in Parliament that called for an independent body to be established by next spring to review MPs' expenses. Parliament is one step closer to having a full legislative overhaul of MPs' expenses disclosure system after Peter's Motion calling for an independent review and oversight passed in the House of Commons unanimously on June 19, 2013.

"The Conservative government now has a clear direction from Parliament and must cooperate to create an armslength, more open, accountable and transparent MPs' expenses system. Our motion calls for a fundamental review which would go well beyond just greater disclosure. It's time to have a serious debate about this issue. We need to move

beyond stunts and political games," said Julian.

NDP plan to oversee MP spending THE CANADIAN PRESS [+] TIMES (COLONIS The Guardian NATIONAL POST

Mulcair backs push to scrap secretive MP expenses board MPs pass NDP motion on expenses





NDP wants independent oversight body to oversee MPs spending

NDP presses for new accountability practices in the Commons **TORONTO

The NDP motion requires that the Standing Committee on Proce-

dure and House Affairs conduct open and public hearings with an aim to replace the Board of Internal Economy with an independent oversight body. **CONTINUED ON PAGE 2**

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You're invited

PETER's 4th ANNUAL COMMUNITY EXPO OF **GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS & SERVICES** FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY!

On October 6, Peter will be hosting his 4th Annual Community Information Expo at the Bonsor Recreation Complex in Burnaby. The Community Expo will provide an opportunity for service providers from three levels of governments, various community organizations and non-profit agencies, to present information about their programmes and services. For valuable information, please join us along with over 25 organizations to get information and receive handouts that will help you be aware of many services available to you.

Are you interested in: •Community Safety •Immigration •Disability Tax Credits •Employment Insurance •Neighbourhood Services •Health

Then this EXPO is for you!

DATE: Sunday October 6th, 2013 **TIME:** 1:00PM to 4:00PM **PLACE:** Bonsor Recreation Complex (6550 Bonsor, Burnaby V5H 3G4)

> Free admission. Refreshments will be served.

Please contact Peter's constituency office at 604.775.5707 for more details.

In the House



MEMBER'S STATEMENT ~ Time for Canadians to get answers from this Conservative government

Mr. Peter Julian (Burnaby—New Westminster, NDP): Mr. Speaker, in the words of the newly independent member for Edmonton—St. Albert, the Conservative Party of Canada has "morphed into what we once mocked".

First, we learned of a secret \$90,000 payout orchestrated by the PMO. Now, we hear troubling allegations of a secret slush fund controlled by the Prime Minister's Chief of Staff. They have improper Senate expense claims, a cover-up orchestrated by the PMO, fraudulent election calls, Elections Canada trying to remove two Conservative MPs and now allegations of a secret fund controlled by the PM's former Chief of Staff, Nigel Wright.

While our leader Tom Mulcair has repeatedly asked direct questions, the Prime Minister refuses to give straight answers. No wonder the MP for Edmonton—St. Albert resigned; the Conservatives have a "lack of support for transparency and open government."

The Prime Minister can take the "air force run" to Europe, but he cannot hide. The NDP will keep asking tough questions because Canadians deserve to have answers.

Peter Julian, MP, Burnaby-New Westminster

Keeping closer eye on MP expenses

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The motion aims at creating an independent review of MPs' expenses and oversight system that would eliminate the systemic risk of conflict of interest. Hearings are expected to begin next fall.

"What we really need is an independent oversight body. These are much needed changes and the Conservative government must respect the will of the House. I am very happy that Parliament has echoed the wishes and support of Canadians to take positive, genuine steps in building public trust and confidence in our democratic institutions," said Julian.

The motion reads as follows:

That, in order to bring full transparency and accountability to House of Commons spending, the Standing Committee on Procedure and House Affairs be instructed to:

(a) conduct open and public hearings with a view to replace the Board of Internal Economy with an independent oversight body;

- (b) invite the Auditor General, the Clerk and the Chief Financial Officer of the House of Commons to participate fully in these hearings;
- (c) study the practices of provincial and territorial legislatures, as well as other jurisdictions and Westminsterstyle Parliaments in order to compare and contrast their administrative oversight;
- (d) propose modifications to the Parliament of Canada Act, the Financial Administration Act, the Auditor General Act and any other acts as deemed necessary;
- (e) propose any necessary modifications to the administrative policies and practices of the House of Commons; and
- (f) report its findings to the House no later than December 2, 2013 in order to have any proposed changes to expense disclosure and reporting in place for the beginning of the next fiscal year



NDP leader Tom Mulcair grilled the Prime Minister repeatedly with clear and straightforward questions about who in the PMO was involved in the secret payout. He asked about the involvement of the Conservative Party. He asked about the involvement of the Prime Minister's lawyer.

Now we learn that RCMP court documents time and again contradict Stephen Harper's version of events. RCMP documents about the Senate spending scandal revealed in July shed some new light on the contradictions, misleading statements and outright lies put forward by Conservatives about the Senate expense scandal and the \$90,000 cover up.

We have a secret cover up, orchestrated out of the Prime Minister's Office, and the Conservative Party was implicated and knew about it.

"The documents allege that Wright recalls three staff members within

the Prime Minister's Office were aware of this arrangement." – CTV News, July 4th, 2013

"The Conservative Party was initially going to repay the money for Duffy from a Conservative fund." – RCMP court documents quoted by CTV News on July 4th, 2013

"The final Senate report ... relating to Duffy's expenses was less critical than the original draft report, which is consistent with the purported deal between Duffy and Wright." –RCMP court documents quoted by CTV News on July 4th, 2013

"The documents allege that Wright recalls three staff members within the PMO were aware of this arrangement, including Harper's former special adviser and legal counsel Benjamin Perrin." – CTV News, July 4th, 2013

But many more questions remain unanswered, including:

- What changed between the time Stephen Harper expressed his total, absolute support of Nigel Wright and the moment he accepted his resignation just three days later?
- Which directives did Stephen Harper give to his staff relating the Senate expenses scandal?
- When did Stephen Harper first speak with Nigel Wright about the whole question of the Senate expenses scandal?
- Did the Prime Minister ask all PMO staff about their possible involvement in that scheme?
- Was the Conservative Fund used for similar payments in other cases? If so, which ones?
- How is it the Prime Minister's lawyer knew about possible illegal activity going on in the PMO, and yet did not report it to the Prime Minister?

• Pamela Wallin said she informed the PMO she had already been forced previously to repay inappropriate expenses – without being asked to resign from the Conservative caucus. Why did Stephen Harper claim he knew nothing about this?

Prime Minister Stephen Harper and his ministers willfully misled Canadians.

Canadians deserve the truth about that whole scandal. They deserve answers about the extent to which the PMO was involved in covering up this possible fraud, they deserve answers about what role Conservative Party operatives played in the cover up and they deserve answers about the low ethical standards of Stephen Harper's office and top advisors.

Canadians deserve better■

In our community



Peter on Canada Day at Burnaby Village Museum, seen here with Kennedy Stewart, MP (Burnaby-Douglas), Raj Chouhan, MLA (Burnaby-Edmonds) & Kathy Corrigan, MLA (Burnaby-Deer Lake).



Cutting the cake at the Afghani-Canadian Canada Day celebration in Burnaby with Raj Chouhan, MLA (Burnaby-Edmonds);



Peter at the Scandinavian Midsummer Festival in Burnaby with Kennedy Stewart, MP (Burnaby-Douglas).

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Peter with Judy Darcy, MLA (New Westminster) & retiring New Westminster Secondary School Principal, Mary Bushman at Hyack Grade 13 Graduation. Thank you Mary for your great service to New Westminster!



Peter at the Sukh Sagar Sikh Temple in Queensborough, New Westminster.



Peter speaking at the Canada Day celebration at Queen's Park in New Westminster.



Peter on Canada Day at Queen's Park with Mayor Wayne Wright & Judy Darcy, MLA (New Westminster).



Peter with organizer, Guy Black & Fin Donnelly, MP (New Westminster-Coquitlam) celebrating 60 years of peace in Korea at the Banting School in Coquitlam.



Peter with Steven Staples, Executive Director, Rideau Institute, Peggy Mason, VP, Rideau Institute who presented the *Rideau Institute Leadership Award* to Steven Shrybman.



I want to hear from you	
Stephen Harper's Conservatives caught misleading Canadians	Your comments
More and more Canadians are saying it out loud: you've had enough of the unelected, unaccountable Senate.	
But Stephen Harper can't hear you, because he's too busy listening to his well-connected friends. Like the 59 insiders he's already appointed to the Senate himself—including the ones at the heart of the latest scandals. After promising not to appoint even one.	
It's time to send Stephen Harper a message he can't ignore	
Should Canada abolish the unelected, unaccountable Senate? Yes No Are Tom Mulcair 's New Democrats on the right track? Yes No	
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Canada can lead the way on green energy

We are witnessing a revolution of innovation in green energy which is making renewable sources more efficient and affordable.

With strong leadership and a comprehensive vision for a Canadian energy strategy, the federal government could play a key role in enhancing our energy security and ensure we get lasting value from our resources. Promoting responsible upgrading and refining of our resources before shipping them abroad is part of that puzzle. Equally important is ensuring that balanced and sustainable development is at the core of policymaking.

The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, the body of the world's leading climate scientists assembled by the United Nations, reports that within four decades, green energy could account for almost 80% of the world's energy supply if governments implemented the policies needed to promote renewable power.

New Democrats believe that the federal government has an important leadership role to play in helping Canada move forward towards a green economy, in considering the best interest of future generations and the resources that we need today to build a better more sustainable world, a role that the Harper government has consistently refused to play. The policies of the current federal government are rooted in short-term profit rather than long-term value, and which fail to ensure our energy & natural resources are developed in a way that maximizes Canadian interests.

The Conservative government has failed to understand this new energy reality and to provide comprehensive and sustained policy support with defined targets and timelines. The green energy gap between Canada and other industrialized countries is growing: Canada gets far less than 1% of the worldwide renewable energy sector which is estimated to exceed 3 trillion dollars by 2020.

Wind, solar, hydroelectric and other renewable energy sources are becoming increasingly practical for producing large amounts of clean energy. Investment in green technologies would provide



Canada's economy with good manufacturing jobs, helping to offset what Canada is losing because of globalization.

Canada has the expertise, skill, and drive to become one of the world's leaders in the research and development of clean energy, an area with massive growth potential.

While focusing on green energy and jobs, the Official Opposition is standing up for our environment against the reckless gutting of environmental protection measures in recent conservative budget bills.

Let's mobilize support and increase pressure on the Harper government to take meaningful action





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Les formulaires d'applications pour 2014 sont maintenant disponibles! Visitez www.forum.ca et applique dès maintenant!!

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