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Government Announcements and News

- *Site C Energy Project one step closer* – The BC government says the construction of the third hydroelectric generating station on the Peace River – Site C – will create 35,000 jobs and meet BC's future electricity needs, expected to increase 20 to 40% in the next 20 years. Site C will now advance to the regulatory review phase, which will include an independent environmental assessment. It is anticipated that Site C will be available for domestic electricity need by 2020. [Read more](#)
- *ITA expands training to First Nations* - New funding of up to \$1 million from the Industry Training Authority will offer trades training for heavy equipment operator, building maintenance and a unique Aboriginal women in trades program. [Read more](#)
- *LiveSmart BC: Efficiency Incentive program extended* - The Province will extend provincial incentives for the LiveSmart BC for participants entering the program as of April 1, 2010. The program provides financial support to households for energy assessments and energy efficiency building retrofits. [Read more](#)
- *BC nets \$114 million from Ottawa for immigration services* – The new Canada-British Columbia Immigration agreement provides funding for the BC government to support immigration services, including a streamlining of the temporary foreign worker program in BC. [Read more](#)
- *Act updated to create new College of Veterinarians* – Bill 10 proposes to rename the British Columbia Veterinary Medical Association as the College of Veterinarians of B.C. The legislation will also refocus the organization by providing it with regulatory powers similar to those of other health-care colleges. [Read more](#)
- *Patient-focused funding model announced* – BC hospitals will receive financial incentives for delivering acute-care services for a competitive, set price. Over the next two years, the Province will invest an additional \$250 million to implement province-wide patient-focused funding. [Read more](#)

Question Period Topics

- B.C. Liberal Party fundraising with independent power producers
- Funding for farmworker safety programs
- Resignation and replacement of Solicitor General
- Impact of harmonized sales tax on landlords and tenants
- Government mailer on HST

Status of Bills

BILLS INTRODUCED (first reading)

Government Bills

- [Bill 10 – Veterinarians Acts](#)

Members' Bills

- [Bill M201 – Protection of Homeless Act, 2010](#)

BILLS DEBATED (second reading)

Government Bills

- [Bill 9 - Consumption Tax Rebate and Transition Act](#)

Reports

- *Report of the Chief Electoral Officer on Recommendations for Legislative Change*