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## **OUELLETTE STRONGLY OPPOSES HST**

*Oshawa MPP disappointed McGuinty Liberals deny Taxpayers a voice in \$3Billion Tax Grab*

**(Queen's Park)** –Yesterday in the Ontario Legislature, the McGuinty government introduced Bill 218, which is the formal legislation that will make the HST a cruel reality for Ontarians.

“Yearly taxes could increase by approximately \$2,500 for an average middle-class family of four, and by more than \$2,800 for a typical senior couple due to the HST being applied to a broader range of goods”, revealed Jerry Ouellette, MPP Oshawa.

The McGuinty Government intends to push through this legislation with minimal debate and no opportunity for province-wide public consultation and review. Given the major impact the HST will have on the cost of living for seniors, small businesses and middle class families, this represents an abuse of the democratic process.

“The HST is the largest tax grab in the history of this province”, stated Ouellette, “It is not going to lessen the burden on families and seniors in Oshawa, only increase it”.

The HST will force people to pay more for essentials such as gas, hydro, haircuts and home heating fuel. It will also increase the cost of movie theatre and event admission fees; internet services and cell phone bills; ice time for kid's hockey, soccer and baseball field rentals; home renovations and real estate transactions, to name a few.

“I voted against this bill yesterday in the legislature and I will continue to fight against this McGuinty tax grab in the best interest of my constituents,” added Ouellette.

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