



December 17, 2012

Mr. Michael Horgan  
Deputy Minister  
Finance Canada  
140 O`Connor Street, 20<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0G5

**Re: PBO Information Request IR0100: Income Tax Act amendment (travel expenses)**

Dear Mr. Horgan: *Michael*

I am writing to request information and data from Finance Canada in regards to private members` Bill C-463: *An Act to amend the Income Tax Act* (travel expenses).

To fulfill this request, the Parliamentary Budget Officer requires from your organization any cost estimates of Bill C-463 or similar proposals, including:

- The analytical framework used to prepare any cost estimates of the aforementioned private members` bill;
- Supporting data used to construct any estimates (if individual data is provided, confidentiality will be respected);
- A description of the key underlying assumptions used to construct any estimates; and,
- Any additional analysis undertaken by Finance Canada officials that may be relevant (i.e. behavioral impacts associated with the proposed amendment).

Thank you for your attention to this important matter, and please let us know if any part of this request requires clarification. PBO officials are available at your convenience.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Kevin Page'.

Kevin Page  
Parliamentary Budget Officer

c.c.: Rick Stewart, Assistant Secretary to the Cabinet, Privy Council Office, Liaison Secretariat for Macroeconomic Policy



## PBO Information Request

REQUEST NUMBER: IR0100

PBO CONTACT NAME: Trevor Shaw (613-698-6568 or [trevor.shaw@parl.gc.ca](mailto:trevor.shaw@parl.gc.ca))

TYPE OF REQUEST: One-time

PRIORITY: Normal

DATE REQUEST SENT: December 17, 2012

RESPONSE REQUIRED BY: January 7, 2013

PBO OBJECTIVE: To produce a report regarding the fiscal cost of Bill C-463 *An Act to amend the Income Tax Act* (travel expenses).

RELATION TO MANDATE: Pursuant to section 79.3 of the *Parliament of Canada Act*, the PBO may request of a deputy head any financial or economic data in the possession of the department that are required for the performance of his or her mandate.

INFORMATION AND DATA REQUESTED:  
Information provided on page 1 of the letter