

CTF Survey of UCP Leadership Candidates

Question 3: Will you expand the Alberta Taxpayer Protection Act so that no new major taxes or tax hikes to major taxes can be imposed without a referendum?

Jeff Callaway: “The carbon tax is a perfect example of why a government should not be able to introduce a major new tax without either a referendum or at least being a major part of the party’s election platform.”

Brian Jean: “My record on no new taxes is clear, and I have outlined in my Here for the Economy policy that my only immediate plans are to axe the carbon tax, bring corporate taxes down to 10%, and small business taxes down to 1% to get jobs and our economy booming again. I am confident that even with those lowered rates, renewed prosperity will bring enough revenue to balance our lowered spending. Expanding the taxpayer protection act so something like the carbon tax could not be brought in after an election where it was not discussed is a good idea.”

Jason Kenney: “I am proud of my role as President of the CTF in successfully lobbying the Klein Government to adopt the Taxpayer Protection Act. The Act is the single biggest reason that Alberta does not have a sales tax like other provinces. That said, the legislation has not been updated in over two decades. I would support a modernization and expansion of the Act.”

Doug Schweitzer: “We have introduced the largest tax relief in Alberta’s history and have no intention of raising taxes in the future.

My full tax plan can be found here: http://www.dougschweitzer.com/tax_relief “