

Petition to the House of Commons – Employment Insurance

WHEREAS the following NDP motion passed in the House of Commons on March 10th, 2009:

That, in the opinion of this House, the government must address the alarming growth in the number of unemployed Canadians and the increasing number of Employment Insurance claimants; confirm its commitment to a social safety net to help regular Canadians through tough times and bring forward reforms to Employment Insurance rules to expand eligibility and improve benefits, including:

- (a) eliminate the two-week waiting period;
- (b) reduce the qualifying period to a minimum of 360 hours of work, regardless of the regional rate of unemployment;
- (c) allow self-employed workers to participate in the plan;
- (d) raise the rate of benefits to 60% and base benefits on the best 12 weeks in the qualifying period; and
- (e) encourage training and re-training.

THEREFORE we, the undersigned, call upon the Government of Canada to respect the will of the House of Commons and immediately restore the integrity of Canada's Employment Insurance system.

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