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Speaker: The Honourable Geoff Regan

Finance

Ms. Dianne L. Watts (South Surrey—White Rock, CPC):

Mr. Speaker, a report that the Minister of Finance commissioned is recommending that the Liberals spend \$40 billion to set up an infrastructure bank. Is it the minister's plan to take that \$40 billion away from infrastructure projects already promised to communities, or is it his plan to burden working Canadians with yet another tax?

Hon. Bill Morneau (Minister of Finance, Lib.):

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to have the opportunity to talk about the Advisory Council on Economic Growth that provided its recommendations to me last week. This august group provided us with some important recommendations on how we can amplify the impact of some of the measures we put in budget 2016.

I was very pleased to receive its recommendations. We are studying them, and we are considering how we can use its insights, as well as our policies, to make sure we can grow our economy for the long term.