

Highlights of the Initiatives Outlined in the February 2009 Speech from the Throne

- Make significant investments in hospitals, schools and other public infrastructure to strengthen communities and help municipalities address growth pressures.
- Introduce a consumer rebate program to encourage individual actions and energy-wise decisions.
- Through the new Campus Alberta philosophy, help nurture a culture of innovation by expanding young minds through post-secondary institutions.
- Introduce a revised funding approach to better align resources with learner and labour market demand.
- Develop a long-term strategy to ensure that Alberta has the talents and skills to create value-added activity, increase innovation and expand and diversify the Alberta economy.
- Work with First Nations and Métis leaders to increase labour market participation and economic opportunity.
- Introduce a primary health care strategy to help make Alberta's health workforce stronger.
- Launch a province-wide campaign to promote Alberta's creativity and artistic excellence.
- Develop 11, 000 affordable housing units by providing capital funding assistance to municipalities, non-profit organizations and the private sector.
- Introduce the *Supportive Living Accommodation Licensing Act* to better improve the quality of care and monitoring of standards in supportive living facilities.
- Introduce the *Protection for Persons in Care Amendment Act* to better protect adults who receive care and support services from government-funded agencies from abuse.

The full text of the 2009 Speech from the Throne is available online at www.alberta.ca

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