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2018 PRE-BUDGET CONSULTATIONS WITH THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Chicken Farmers of Canada made a submission to the Standing Committee on Finance’s 2018 pre-budget consultations with a goal of appearing before the Committee this fall.

This would be an opportunity to discuss the issues facing our sector, that if fixed, will create more jobs for Canadians, and further stimulate economic growth – goals that are aligned with the federal government’s mandate. Our recommendations are reasonable, practical, and trade-compliant, and will strengthen our sector.

Our recommendations to stop illegal imports of chicken labelled as spent fowl, to exclude chicken from the Duties Relief Program and to reinstate the sauce and cooking requirements into the Customs Tariff will create 4,456 new jobs, contribute an additional \$335 million to Canada’s GDP and generate \$112 million in additional taxes.

The Canadian chicken sector continues to grow in part thanks to the support for both our sector and supply management that continues to be demonstrated by all parties in the House of Commons. We look forward to that support continuing throughout the rest of the mandate, including the annual budget planning process.



Manitoba Chicken Producers General Manager, Wayne Hilt, poses with Conservative Agriculture Critic Luc Berthold following a meeting of agriculture groups with Conservative MPs.



Chicken Farmers of Canada Alberta Director, Dennis Steinwand, meets with Edmonton Centre MP Randy Boissonnault at his office in Edmonton.



Later in the summer, CFC were proud hole sponsors of the United Way Prescott-Russell golf tournament hosted by MP Francis Drouin. The team is pictured here on the course alongside MP Drouin.

For more information on our government relations program, please contact Lauren Kennedy at lkennedy@chicken.ca.

COMING UP... Chicken Farmers of Canada will appear as witnesses before the House Standing Committee on Agriculture and Agri-Food, and the House Standing Committee on International Trade.

Chicken Farmers of Canada are also proud gold sponsors of this year’s Parliamentarian of the Year awards on November 7th. Make sure to get your votes in!

And finally, back by popular demand, Chicken Farmers of Canada will be hosting our annual Fall Reception on November 22nd, in the Adam Room of the Fairmont Château Laurier.

