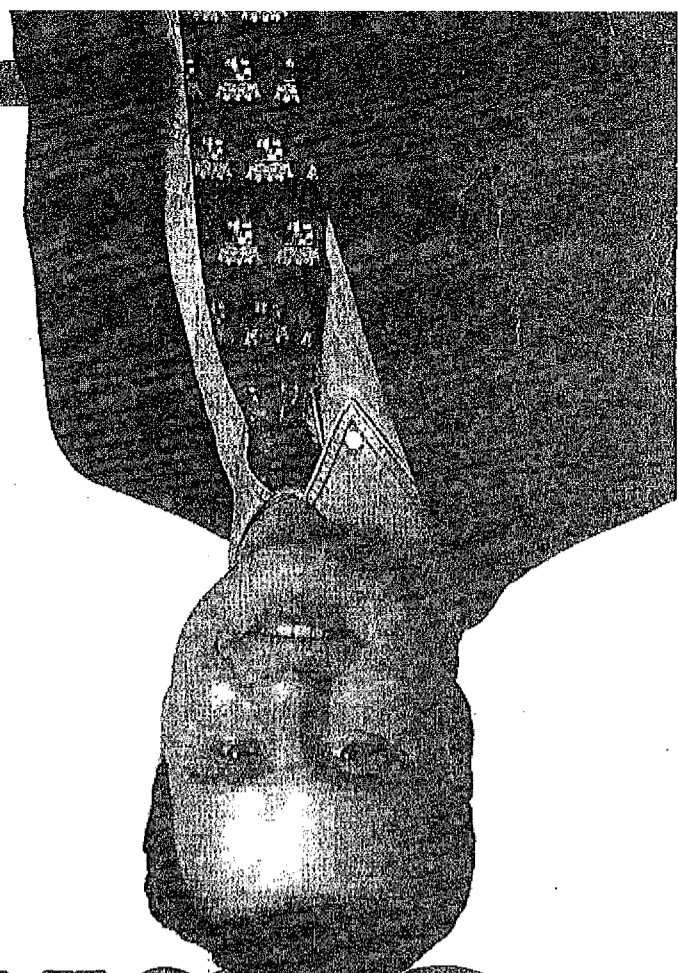


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*My Pledge to the People of*

Bill Boyd, the New Leader of the New PCs

Dear Saskatchewan resident:

I believe in keeping my word.

So do Saskatchewan people – and they expect the same from their elected officials.

Too often, voters have been let down by politicians who said one thing in order to get elected, and then did exactly the opposite.

People expect us to say what we're going to do, and then do what we say. That's the reason behind my campaign pledge. You know exactly where I stand BEFORE I'm elected, so you can hold me to it AFTER I'm elected.

No other party and no other leader is willing to give you this same guarantee. After all, Roy Romanow got elected in 1991 by promising to lower taxes, and look how that turned out.

Our pledge is based on fairness - fairness for every Saskatchewan resident. That's why I have signed my name to it, and given you my personal guarantee that I will fulfill each and every one of these commitments.

You have my word on it.

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# My Pledge to the People of Saskatchewan

## Our Focus is on Fairness

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### On our FIRST DAY IN OFFICE, our government will:

1. Cut the size of cabinet in half (to eight members) and eliminate one out of three ministerial assistants.
2. Cut the Premier's office staff by one-third.

### In our FIRST YEAR IN OFFICE, our government will:

1. Eliminate taxpayer-funded MLA pensions, and cut the obscene pension plans of the seven current MLAs elected before 1979, including Roy Romanow's \$73,000 a year pension.
2. Cut the size of government - Cut government spending by 5 percent (\$215 million) by cutting administrative costs and salaries and eliminating most government grants.
3. Ensure tax fairness for all Saskatchewan people by requiring status Indians to pay the PST on purchases made off the reserve.
4. Cut the PST by 2 points to 7 percent - Use the spending cut and additional revenue achieved in items 2 and 3 to cut the PST to 7 percent (\$170 million saving to Saskatchewan taxpayers).
5. Reduce the accumulated debt - Use any remaining surplus after the spending and tax cut to reduce the debt.
6. Pass a Taxpayer Protection Act - Protect taxpayers by making it illegal for the government to run a deficit or raise taxes without voter approval in a province-wide referendum. If the government fails to meet its budget targets, ALL government MLAs will be subject to an immediate salary reduction of 25 percent.
7. Halt gambling expansion in Saskatchewan until voters decide on further expansion in a province-wide referendum.
8. Reform the Legislature - Implement voter recall, set election dates, free votes, greater use of referendums, and all-party committees to review utility rates and make appointments to government boards.
9. End union favouritism by repealing the NDP's unfair union-preference tendering policy for Crown corporations.
10. Fight federal gun control laws by entrenching property rights in the Saskatchewan Human Rights Code.

### In our FIRST FOUR-YEAR TERM IN OFFICE, our government will:

1. Improve health care services - Work with democratically-elected health boards and communities to re-establish integrated facilities and ensure quality emergency and long-term care.
2. Develop a positive climate for job creation by cutting government spending and taxation and by slashing useless government regulation and red tape that prevent small businesses from creating jobs.
3. Reform the welfare system - Put employable welfare recipients to work and set up a 1-800 tip line to report cases of welfare abuse.
4. Reform the justice system - Establish stricter correctional measures for Young Offenders including work camps and boot camps; pressure the federal government to establish stricter correctional measures for ALL offenders and eliminate early parole for violent offenders.
5. Promote a market-driven agricultural sector - Create a stronger, more diversified farm economy through deregulation and the promotion of value-added processing.
6. Reform the education system - Better prepare our young people for the changing demands of the job market and ensure affordable, accessible post-secondary education for every student.

*"I will complete each of these pledge commitments within the specified time frame or I will resign."*



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