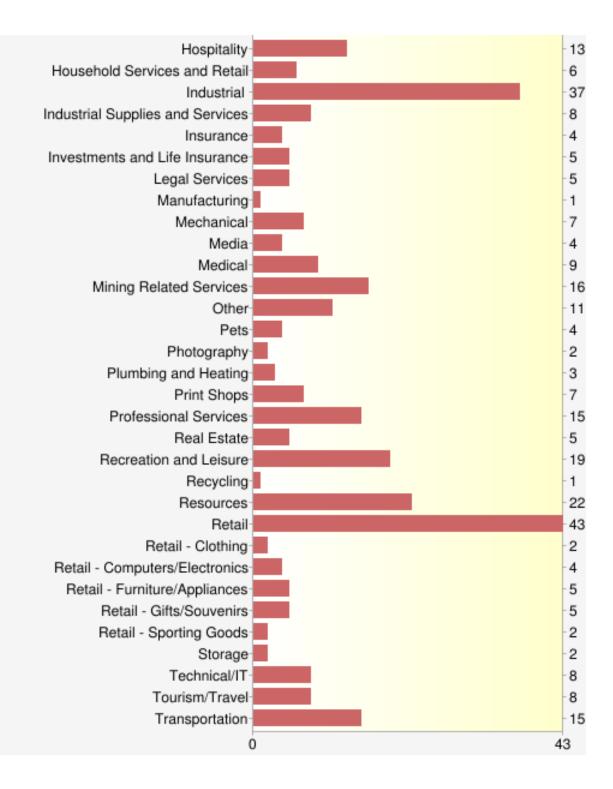








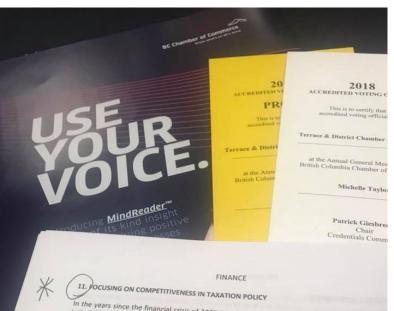
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In the years since the financial crisis of 2007-08, the BC economy has thrived. A combination including high living standards, open migration policies, and a strategy of encouraging high-growt to the province has helped drive this performance. Not to be neglected in this mix is the role p policy. For the past decade, BC has largely maintained a competitive tax policy attractive both to and to the workers they seek to attract. However, recent developments have given grounds for a series of decisions is eroding the province's tax competitiveness.

The 2018 Budget demonstrated the extra burden being placed on BC businesses in coming year in new charges as healthcare funding costs are shifted to employers, the loss of revenue n increase) of the Carbon Tax and increases to minimum wage and the corporate tax rate. The health of BC business has evidently made it an attractive target for politicians seeking to raise with other Canadian provinces, as well as the USA, trying hard to woo business to relocate or its continued prosperity cannot be taken for granted. New tax burdens for business will h effect on growth and investment. BC businesses are strong, but they are not invulnerat investment climate deteriorate, hiring, productivity and growth are likely to suffer.

The current (2018) provincial government evidently recognizes these problems in principle recognizes that the Provincial Government has made significant strides in impro competitiveness, both at the personal and the corporate level. For the 2017 to B.C. has the lowest effective level of personal target decision to reduce



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