Political Party Platforms

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| Security and Anti-terrorism | -tougher security policies (Bill C-51)-more money to police and CSIS to stop terrorism | -more security, but more oversight-support Bill C-51, but want more checks on CSIS (oversight) | -against fighting against ISIS-against Bill C-51 | -RCMP and CSIS with enough resources, but not too many -a lot of oversight |
| Economy  | -low taxes -money to families with children-income splitting (saves some people money on taxes) | -less income tax for middle class, more for wealthy-new family support plan-cancel income splitting | -cancel income splitting, and use money for $15/day daycare -$15/hour federal minimum wage | -more money into environmentally friendly policies-expand access to Employment Insurance-end corporate bailouts |
| Governance | -Focus on accountability in government-make Senate elected | -make government information easier for public to access-new system for appointing Senators-equal number of men and women in cabinet | -abolish the Senate-make it easier for people to report unethical practices-easier public access to information | -lower Prime Minister’s office budget by 50%-make Senate elected |
| Justice | -Introduced a wide range of measures intended to prevent crime, toughen punishment for criminals, keep communities safe and enhance the rights of victims. | -Believe in strong sentences for serious crimes but say sentencing alone is insufficient to keep communities safe.-more law enforcement resources-legalize marijuana | -Aims to balance fairness with the need to protect the public-decriminalize marijuana-rehabilitate prisoners over sentencing (for lesser crimes)-tougher sentences for dangerous offenders- | -Legalize and regulate marijuana |