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Scrapping Ontario's Green Energy Act puts 2,401 direct jobs at risk in Greater Toronto and Hamilton, says a survey conducted for the Canadian Auto Workers.

The auto workers and the Canadian Association of Physicians for the Environment surveyed the number of firms known to be supplying renewable energy equipment for projects under the feed-in tariff program.

The program requires energy companies to source a minimum 60 per cent of their inputs from Ontario-based firms in order to qualify for the feed-in tariff rates.

Adding up the employment rolls, they came up with a figure of 2,401 jobs at the various firms, most of them making solar energy equipment.

Those jobs could be at risk if politicians change the province's Green Energy Act and make Ontario less attractive to renewable energy ventures, said Dave Renaud of the CAW.

Renaud wouldn't talk about political parties by name, but the Conservatives have pledged to end the feed-in tariff program, or FIT, which provides renewable energy ventures with fixed, long-term rates higher than the current market price.

Gideon Forman, executive director of the Canadian Association of Physicians for the Environment, said the jobs outlined in the survey may be at risk if the program goes.

"If FIT is removed, it's not going to happen immediately, but there's going to be a very strong pull for these companies to leave the province, and minimally to shed workers," he said.