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unemployed"-those who gave up looking after a futile search. About 135,000 students were unemployed last month.

Wright estimates that thousands will either abandon the idea of going back to school or rack up heavy debts from student loans and money borrowed from parents this vear

"Students are caught in a vicious circle. They go to school to get a good job, but now they need a good job to go back to school," she says

The Tories' pledge of \$285 million to youth is well below Liberal and NDP promises, who offered up to \$1 and \$1.5 billion each. And the Conservative scheme will likely fail, critics say.

Wright and unemployment activist, Hugh O'Reilly said the proposal favors large corporations instead of businesses, where most students are traditionally hired.

"Small businesses can't afford to wait until the end of the year for a tax rebate. Their cash flow isn't large enough, and this policy is hard to monitor," Wright says.

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O'Reilly, a member of the Ottawa and District Labor Council Unemployment Committee, a group of people concerned about Ottawa's 35,000 unemployed, added the few jobs created will unlikely be socially useful.

"Two hundred and eighty-five million sounds like an incredible amount of money to the average person. But in reality it's not that much and the program just won't work."

O'Reilly says the Liberal government proposed a similar scheme during the 1979 election campaign. The Conservative party then argued strenuously against the idea, saying it would not help Canada's demoralized youth find suitable jobs.

"It's been tried before and it didn't work. Clearly it won't work again."

The Tory government should implement an "energetic" policy which would fund labor intensive but socially necessary jobs. The Tories' lackluster promises, which include tax credits and wage subsidies to employers hiring young people, shows they are not committed to solving the youth unem-

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ployment crisis, he says. "Despite the hot air and the rhe-

toric, they don't see helping youth find jobs as a priority at all." Although students fared better as

a group than youth this summerthe latter experiencing a 17 per cent unemployment rate-both may encounter another obstacle in their search for a job.

Fewer government employees may be working in Canadian Employment and Immigration Centres across the country, including those geared to help students and young people find work.

Before the Liberal government was massacred in the election, it warned workers about cutbacks in the number of job hours. The Liberals wanted to cut out about 1,148 "person years"-one person working for one year-from employment and immigration centres, and up to 2,000 people could face shorter work terms or no job at all.

Although Ron Freeman, Canadian Employment and Immigration Union researcher, is uncertain if the Tories will carry out the Liberal proposal, he said the cutbacks will definitely affect the quality and quantity of service across Canada.

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