



## piece of puzzle'

• from WILLIAMS on page 3 includes the Sweeney Report on educational reform, and other financial reform proposals.

"And the fourth big piece is how the province responds to them," she said, adding that John Snobelen, the minister of education and training, has suggested a complete analysis of all the pieces can be expected in the spring.

Ms Siebert said the Golden task force didn't mention education except in recommending that commercial and industrial taxes would be pooled to pay for it.

## Report is just 'one Chief Campbell reserving GTA report judgment

Halton's police chief has consistently voiced his opposition to the notion of his force's absorption into a much larger Greater

Toronto Area entity, but he said he won't reject the idea until he's had a closer look at concrete recommendations.

The Golden Task Force made public its findings on GTA reform Tuesday, however Peter Campbell, Halton's top cop, had not had a chance to look at the report's specific proposals for policing in the GTA.

"We have to look at new solutions to old problems. That means everything is on the (negotiating) table, even if it means considering amalgamating into a GTA superforce," said the police chief.

Peter Campbell The Golden Task Force wants a study to determine the feasibility of one force across the entire GTA, a 7,200-square kilometre area. Currently, there are forces representing each of the five GTA regions of Halton, Peel, Durham, York and Metro Toronto.



## Leach says he'll move quickly on GTA report

 from LEACH on page 3 the fragmentation.

"Our research demonstrated conclusively that Greater Toronto is a single inter-dependent economy. We need a single policy-making body that fits the economic region," she added.

The GTC would be made up of members from municipal councils.

'There's a need for coordination across the entire cityregion — in areas such as economic development, regional quality," Ms Golden said. "The Greater Toronto Council will actually perform fewer functions than the current regional governments, but its role is cru-

Giving the GTC control for regional planning would contain urban sprawl and save about \$1 billion a year for each of the next 25 years, she said.

Pooling the education portion of commercial and industrial property taxes would "create a more level playing field". across the area and help attract more business, she said.

The Golden Report recommends the GTC be made up of about 30 people. Merging communities "should be locally driven", but if it's deemed "necesplanning and environmental sary, the Greater Toronto Council will have the responsibility to make those decisions," Mr. Leach said.

> Ms Golden said the recommendations could be implemented within 24 months.

## Impaired charge after Hwy. 25 jeep mishap

turned on Highway 25 in Speyside Monday.

A northbound 1988 Cherokee jeep left the road just south of

Charged with impaired driving and driving with over the legal limit of alcohol in her blood is a 28-year-old Ayr woman.



No. 15 Sideroad at 3:20 p.m., struck a hydro pole and rolled over on its roof in the east ditch. The driver, who suffered only minor injuries, was trapped in the vehicle and had to be freed by the Halton Hills Fire Department.



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