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Choudhry, Jean-Francois Graudreault-Desbiens, and Lorne Sossin bring together an array of respected legal and political scholars to reflect on

the Quebec Commission's findings. The contributors to this volume illustrate how recent debates surrounding Canada's equalization program suggest alternative ways to approach the issue. The goal of Dilemmas of Solidarity is to stand back from the particulars of different policy debates, to enable scholars to reflect on basic questions regarding redistribution. This fascinating collection will undoubtedly inform a more nuanced and wide-ranging debate both among academics and policy practitioners than has occurred in this past. Contributors:Paul BootheKatherine Boothe Sujit ChoudhryDavid DuffJean-Francois Gaudreault-DesBiensAndree LajoieAlain NoelPeter H. RussellRichard SimeonLorne SossinFrançois VaillancourtDaniel Weinstock.