I was asked to provide data on the number of businesses in the Tweed Shire that have payroll tax obligations and what would be the most effective way to support them;

- 1. A reduction in the payroll tax %, or
- 2. The threshold being increased

Unfortunately we have been unable to obtain the number of businesses in the Tweed that have a payroll tax obligation as it seems this information is not publically available.

I have conducted a straw poll with some of the Shire's larger employers re the most effective way to support them, with the general feedback being;

'A combination of both would be most helpful, but without knowing what the increase to the threshold would be, a reduction in the tax % would be most helpful'.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide information to the hearing.

Regards,

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