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Proposal Title: **DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT PACKAGE**

Cluster: Family and Community Services

General Government Sector Impacts

	2014-15 \$'000	2015-16 \$'000	2016-17 \$'000	2017-18 \$'000	4 Year Total \$'000
Expenses (ex. depreciation)		500	3,000	3,000	6,500
Depreciation					-
Less: Offsets			2,000		2,000
Revenue					-
Net Operating Result:	-	(500)	(1,000)	(3,000)	(4,500)

Capital Expenditure					-
Capital Offsets					-
Capital Expenditure:	-	-	-	-	-

Net Lending/(Borrowing):	-	(500)	(1,000)	(3,000)	(4,500)
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Net Financial Liabilities:	-	500	1,500	4,500	
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Total State Sector Impacts

Net Financial Liabilities:	-	500	1,500	4,500	
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Notes and costing assumptions

The policy proposes to commit \$10 million to fund a disability employment package. The purpose of the policy is to support employment participation of people with disabilities through evidence-based initiatives, which if elected, planned to be announced in the 2015/16 Budget.

The policy provides a fixed capped amount of \$500,000 to a panel of experts in 2015/16 to report on effective means of promoting workforce participation. Funding of \$3 million in 2016/17, \$3 million in 2017/18 and \$3.5 million in 2018/19 (excluded from above table because it is outside the forward estimates) will be allocated to develop the employment package and respond to the reported recommendations. The employment package delivery will be scaled within this capped amount.

This policy will replace the existing Employment Enablement Strategy (EES) program in 2016/17. The \$2 million budgeted for EES will be reallocated to support the proposed package.

The intended date of implementing the policy is 1 July 2015 and it is to be administered by the Disability Inclusion Office (see separate policy on the establishment of this office).