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Election Costing Request Form

Details of request	
Party:	Australian Labor Party (NSW Branch)
Name of Policy:	500 more paramedics
Date of request:	2 March 2015

Description of policy	
Summary of policy (please attach copies of relevant policy documents):	Increase paramedic numbers by 500.
What is the purpose or intention of the policy?	Increase paramedics employed by the Ambulance Service of NSW.
Has the policy been publicly released yet?	

Your estimated costing of the policy ¹						
	2014/15 \$'000	2015/16 \$'000	2016/17 \$'000	2017/18 \$'000	Other years ² \$'000	Total \$'000
Impact on General Government Sector (GGS) net operating result ³						
Impact on GGS capital expenditure ⁴						
If different from above, impact on total State Sector net financial liabilities ⁵						

¹ Amounts should be expressed in nominal dollars. GGS - General Government Sector.

² Please provide information on other years if spending occurs outside the forward estimate years and will be required to cost the policy.

³ Negative for a saving that reduces expenditure

⁴ Negative for a reduction in capital expenditure.

⁵ Only required if proposal is outside GGS. Negative for a reduction in net financial liabilities.

Key assumptions made in the policy	
Does the policy relate to a previous announcement? If yes, which announcement?	No.
What assumptions have been made in deriving the financial impacts in your estimated costing? <i>(See checklist)</i>	Under the policy being costed, paramedic commencements will increase by an additional 125 each calendar year from 2016 to 2019. Staff will be new recruits, commencing as a trainee paramedic.
Is there a range for the costing or any sensitivity analysis that you have undertaken?	No.
Are there associated savings, offsets or expenses? If yes, please provide details.	It is assumed that there will be significant savings as a result of reduced overtime.

Administration of policy	
Intended date of implementation:	1 January 2016.
Intended duration of policy:	To December 2019.
Who will administer the policy (e.g. Government entity, non-government organisation, etc.)?	Ambulance Service of NSW
Are there any specific administrative arrangements for the policy that need to be taken into account?	No.
Are there transitional arrangements associated with policy implementation?	..

If the policy is mainly an expenditure⁶ commitment	
Demand driven or a capped amount:	Uncapped.
Eligibility criteria or thresholds:	Consistent with existing arrangements.

⁶ Expenditure is operating expenses, e.g. salaries, interest cost and grants. Expenditures are fully included in the impact on operating balance.