



## PARLIAMENTARY BUDGET OFFICE

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### Election Costing Request Form

Details of request	
Party:	Australian Labor Party (NSW Branch)
Name of Policy:	Keep the new Lower Hunter – Maitland Hospital in public hands
Date of request:	10 March 2015

Description of policy	
Summary of policy (please attach copies of relevant policy documents):	Ensure that the new Lower Hunter – Maitland Hospital is publicly operated.
What is the purpose or intention of the policy?	Establish a hospital to service growing demand in the Lower Hunter region.
Has the policy been publicly released yet?	

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

<sup>1</sup> Amounts should be expressed in nominal dollars. GGS - General Government Sector.

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

<sup>3</sup> Negative for a saving that reduces expenditure

<sup>4</sup> Negative for a reduction in capital expenditure.

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

<b>Key assumptions made in the policy</b>	
Does the policy relate to a previous announcement? If yes, which announcement?	Yes – announcement of 30 October 2014 by John Robertson, Walt Secord and Jenny Aitchison.
What assumptions have been made in deriving the financial impacts in your estimated costing? <i>(See checklist)</i>	The hospital may be established through a private sector arrangement for construction but operations are to be publicly managed and funded from recurrent revenue. Where not otherwise specified, the policy should be consistent with existing government policy.  It is assumed that this policy will not have a quantifiable impact on the budget balance over the forward estimates.
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.	..

<b>Administration of policy</b>	
Intended date of implementation:	Consistent with existing government policy.
Intended duration of policy:	..
Who will administer the policy (e.g. Government entity, non-government organisation, etc.)?	..
Are there any specific administrative arrangements for the policy that need to be taken into account?	See <u>Assumptions</u> .
Are there transitional arrangements associated with policy implementation?	Consistent with existing government policy.

<b>If the policy is mainly an expenditure<sup>6</sup> commitment</b>	
Demand driven or a capped amount:	See <u>Assumptions</u> .
Eligibility criteria or thresholds:	..

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