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Proposal Title: **COMBATING CHILD SEXUAL ASSAULT**

Cluster: Justice

General Government Sector Impacts

	2014-15 \$'000	2015-16 \$'000	2016-17 \$'000	2017-18 \$'000	4 Year Total \$'000
Expenses (ex. depreciation)		5,484	5,621	5,762	16,867
Depreciation					-
Less: Offsets					-
Revenue					-
Net Operating Result:	-	(5,484)	(5,621)	(5,762)	(16,867)

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

Net Lending/(Borrowing)	-	(5,484)	(5,621)	(5,762)	(16,867)
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Net Financial Liabilities:	-	5,484	11,105	16,867	
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Total State Sector Impacts

Net Financial Liabilities:	-	5,484	11,105	16,867	
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Notes and costing assumptions

The policy proposes to increase support for child sexual assault victims and impose longer sentences on offenders from 1 July 2015.

Funding will be provided to:

- appoint two specialist judges to hear child sexual assault cases throughout NSW;
- introduce children's champions to support child witnesses through the court cases; and
- introduce pre-recorded cross examinations to keep children out of the courts.

The costs in 2015-16 consist of:

- \$2.6 million to appoint two District Court specialist child sexual assault judges;
- \$1.8 million to introduce pre recorded cross examinations; and
- \$1.0 million to introduce children's champions.

Costs are escalated by 2.5 per cent per year.