Election Costing Request Form

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Details of request			
Party:	Australian Labor Party (NSW Branch)		
Name of Policy:	Cool schools/solar schools		
Date of request:	13 March 2019		

Description of policy		
Summary of policy (please attach copies of relevant policy documents and include information on what the policy aims to achieve):	Allocate an additional \$100 million to the installation of solar panels on schools as soon as practicable from formation of government. Allocate \$200 million over four years from	
	2019-20 to support installing and powering air conditioning in schools.	
Has the policy been publicly released yet?		

	2018/19 \$'000	2019/20 \$'000	2020/21 \$'000	2021/22 \$'000	Total \$'000
Impact on GGS expenses					
Impact on GGS revenue					
Impact on General Government Sector (GGS) net operating result ¹					
Impact on GGS capital expenditure ²					
Impact on GGS net lending/borrowing					

Note: Has the policy been costed by a third party?

If yes, can you provide a copy of this costing and its assumptions?

¹ Negative for a saving that reduces expenditure

² Negative for a reduction in capital expenditure.

Key assumptions made in the policy			
Does the policy relate to a previous announcement? If yes, which announcement?			
What assumptions have been made in deriving the financial impacts in your estimated costing?	<u>Solar schools</u>		
(See checklist)	Of this allocation \$200 million would be for air conditioner installation and \$100 million would be for solar panel installation.		
	<u>Cool schools</u>		
	The funding for cool schools would be allocated \$35 million in 2019-20, \$55 million in 2020-21, \$55 million in 2021-22 and \$55 million in 2022-23.		
	Labor would immediately conduct an audit of all schools to identify and prioritise those with the hottest temperatures. This is to be absorbed within existing agency resources.		
	The policy also includes a guarantee that all new schools built under Labor would be built with air conditioning. This component of the policy is expected to be reflected in the costing as nil impact as it would be absorbed into the overall prioritisation and allocation of resources for school construction, with any school construction program of works to be subject to government approval.		
Is there a range for the costing or any sensitivity analysis that you have undertaken?	No.		
Are there associated savings, offsets or, in the case of a revenue proposal, offsetting expenses? If yes, please provide details.	There are energy savings from the solar panels component of the policy.		
Are there significant costs or savings outside the forward estimates period which should be considered in costing this policy? ³	If feasible please provide a ten year costing (from 2019-20 to 2028-29) for the solar panels component of the policy to estimate the anticipated energy savings.		

³ Particularly important for large projects with long lead times, policies with a delayed timetable for implementation, or policies where up-front investment is required to achieve long term savings.

Administration of policy			
Intended date of implementation:	Upon formation of government.		
Intended duration of policy ⁴ :	To 30 June 2023.		
Who will administer the policy (e.g. Government entity, non-government organisation, etc.)?	Department of Education.		
Are there any specific administrative arrangements for the policy that need to be taken into account (e.g. agreements between different levels of government)?	No.		
Are there transitional arrangements associated with policy implementation?			

If the policy is mainly an expenditure⁵ commitment		
Demand driven or a capped amount:	Capped.	
Eligibility criteria or thresholds:	N/a.	

Where a policy is intended to be ongoing, please indicate "ongoing" in the space to the right
 Expenditure is operating expenses, e.g. salaries, interest cost and grants. Expenditures are fully included in the impact on operating balance.