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Referred by: Coalition Proposal No: C1586

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**Proposal Title:** Supporting NSW Seniors

**Cluster:** Customer Service

#### **General Government Sector Impacts**

	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	4 year Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Expenses (ex. depreciation)	-	500	500	500	1,500
Depreciation					1
Less: Offsets					-
Revenue					-
Net Operating Balance:	-	(500)	(500)	(500)	(1,500)
Capital Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Offsets					
Net Capital Expenditure:	-	-	-	-	-
Net Lending/(Borrowing):	-	(500)	(500)	(500)	(1,500)
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#### **Total State Sector Impacts**

Net Lending/(Borrowing):	1	(500)	(500)	(500)	(1,500)

## Notes and costing assumptions:

This policy proposes to:

- provide \$500,000 per year additional funding to the Tech-Savvy Seniors program and
- enhance customer service training for Service NSW staff to ensure best possible service delivery for seniors.

The policy stipulates that this additional funding for the Tech-Savvy Seniors program should be \$500,000 a year, for four years, commencing 1 July 2023, capped at \$2 million four years, and that the enhanced customer service training should be funded from the existing Service NSW funding envelope. As the annual budget for Service NSW expenses in 2022-23 was \$785 million<sup>1</sup>, the PBO finds it is reasonable to assume this additional training can be provided by re-allocation of existing Service NSW priorities.

<sup>1</sup> NSW Government, 2022-23 Budget Paper No 4 – Agency Financial Statements, 1-2

# Notes and costing assumptions continued:

As such, the PBO has costed this policy as costing \$1.5 million over the forward estimates, with an additional 500,000 in 2026-27.