

Parliamentary Budget Office - Election Policy Costing

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Proposal Title: Every Child Counts - Supporting Students with Special Needs

Cluster: Education

General Government Sector Impacts

| | 2018-19 | 2019-20 | 2020-21 | 2021-22 | 4 year Total |
|-----------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------------|
| | | | | - | • |
| | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 |
| Expenses (ex. depreciation) | - | 1,000 | 2,045 | 2,096 | 5,141 |
| Depreciation | - | - | - | - | - |
| Less: Offsets | - | - | - | - | - |
| Revenue | - | - | - | - | - |
| Net Operating Balance: | - | (1,000) | (2,045) | (2,096) | (5,141) |
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| Capital Expenditure | - | - | - | - | - |
| Capital Offsets | - | - | - | - | - |
| Net Capital Expenditure: | - | - | - | - | - |
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| Net Lending/(Borrowing): | - | (1,000) | (2,045) | (2,096) | (5,141) |
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| Total State Sector Impacts | | | | | |
| Net Lending/(Borrowing): | - | (1,000) | (2,045) | (2,096) | (5,141) |

Notes and costing assumptions

The policy proposes to:

- Pilot a program of therapy animals in schools for specific purposes \$500,000 per calendar year from 1
 January 2020
- Develop teacher professional development materials \$500,000 per calendar year from 1 January 2020
- Expand access to the *Assisted School Travel Program (ASTP)* additional \$1 million per calendar year from 1 January 2020.

The estimated cost of the proposal is \$5.1 million over the forward estimates. The PBO has escalated costs by the Sydney CPI which is 2.25 per cent in 2020-21 and 2.5 per cent in 2021-22.