

## Election Costing Request Form

| Details of request |   |
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| Party:             | Liberals & Nationals Government           |
| Name of Policy:    | Helping women to start their own business |
| Date of request:   | 1 March 2019                              |

| Description of policy   |   |
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| Summary of policy (please attach copies of relevant policy documents and include information on what the policy aims to achieve): | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work with TAFE NSW to offer women multilingual online courses to build their financial literacy and business start-up skills which count towards their bank lending score.</li> <li>• Empower women in start-up businesses by providing vital mentoring, networking and coaching opportunities to help their businesses grow.</li> </ul> |
| Has the policy been publicly released yet?  | No  |

|   | 2018/19<br>\$'000 | 2019/20<br>\$'000 | 2020/21<br>\$'000 | 2021/22<br>\$'000 | Total<br>\$'000 |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Impact on GGS expenses  |                   |                   |                   |                   |                 |
| Impact on GGS revenue   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                 |
| Impact on General Government Sector (GGS) net operating result <sup>1</sup> |                   |                   |                   |                   |                 |
| Impact on GGS capital expenditure <sup>2</sup>                              |                   |                   |                   |                   |                 |
| 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?

<sup>1</sup> Negative for a saving that reduces expenditure

<sup>2</sup> Negative for a reduction in capital expenditure.

| <b>Key assumptions made in the policy</b>  |  |
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| Does the policy relate to a previous announcement? If yes, which announcement?   | No   |
| What assumptions have been made in deriving the financial impacts in your estimated costing?<br><i>(See checklist)</i>                             | <p>TAFE NSW estimated the cost of the package at \$1,950,000 per annum, which includes the following assumptions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$1,000,000 for educational input and delivery, including subject matter specialists and LLN practitioners (est 2 hr per learner, based on cohort size of 10). This will require 1,000 employee hours initially with ongoing labour costs.</li> <li>• \$500,000 for non-accredited course development. This will be based on 1,200 employee hours.</li> <li>• \$300,000 for events management and workshop series. This is based on 800 employee hours.</li> <li>• \$150,000 for an evaluation and program monitoring. This is based on 400 employee hours.</li> </ul> <p>Costing for educational input and delivery is an estimate dependent on the cost of the instructor, which ranges between \$50K-\$150K per video tutorial.</p> <p>The Department of Industry has advised that the proposal can be offset in 2019/20.</p> |
| 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.                  | Offsets only in the first year (2019-20)   |
| Are there significant costs or savings <b>outside</b> the forward estimates period which should be considered in costing this policy? <sup>3</sup> | No   |

| <b>Administration of policy</b>   |          |
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| Intended date of implementation:  | Jan 2020 |
| Intended duration of policy <sup>4</sup> :  | 4 years  |
| Who will administer the policy (e.g. Government entity, non-government organisation, etc.)? | TAFE     |

<sup>3</sup> 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.

<sup>4</sup> Where a policy is intended to be ongoing, please indicate "ongoing" in the space to the right

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| 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?   | No |

| <b>If the policy is mainly an expenditure<sup>5</sup> commitment</b> |                    |
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| Demand driven or a capped amount:                                    | Demand             |
| Eligibility criteria or thresholds:                                  | Working-aged women |

| <b>If the policy is mainly a revenue commitment</b> |  |
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| Transaction based or capped:                        |  |
| Thresholds and/or exemptions:                       |  |
| Collection method:                                  |  |
| Additional expenditure associated with collection:  |  |

| <b>If the policy is mainly a capital costs<sup>6</sup> commitment</b> |  |
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| <b>Nature of Capital Spending</b>                                     |  |
| Type of work, size and capacity:                                      |  |
| Proposed start and completion date of work:                           |  |
| Intended construction schedule/cashflow:                              |  |
| Associated asset sell off (if any):                                   |  |
| <b>Recurrent Impacts</b>  |  |
| Offsetting expenditure savings:                                       |  |
| On-going maintenance, depreciation and operational expenses:          |  |
| Third party funding involvement:                                      |  |
| Delivery model <sup>7</sup>   |  |

**Checklist for key assumptions** (please be comprehensive and include all relevant assumptions). Assumptions could include, but are not limited to, questions such as:

<sup>5</sup> Expenditure is operating expenses, e.g. salaries, interest cost and grants. Expenditures are fully included in the impact on operating balance.

<sup>6</sup> Capital costs differ from expenditure in that only depreciation will be included in the impact on operating balance.

<sup>7</sup> There is a range of possible delivery models, e.g. built, owned and operated by a NSW government agency; built and transferred to a private operator; privately built for public operation; privately built and operated with government assuming risk or providing a guarantee in relation to future income (often applicable to public/private partnership arrangements), and so on. The policy should provide assumptions about the proposed delivery model.

- What is the expected community impact?
- How many people will be affected by the policy?
- What is the likely take up or other behavioural response you expect?
- Is there a cap on total spending proposed, a funding formula, resource agreement or other mechanism of this nature associated with the policy?
- Will third parties have a role in funding or delivering the policy (e.g. Commonwealth Government)?
- Will funding/program cost require indexation?
  - If yes, do you have any assumptions about the index that should be applied?
- What assumptions have you made about costs of administering the policy?
- Will additional staff be needed in the agency responsible for the policy?
  - How many and at what approximate levels?
- Are there other resources required?
- Are you assuming administrative costs will be absorbed within the agency?

**Please note that:**

- The costing will be on the basis of information provided in this costing request.
- The PBO is not bound to accept the assumptions provided by the requester. If there is a material difference in the assumptions used by the PBO, the PBO will consult with the requester in advance of the costing being completed.
- Where the details of the policy costing request differ from the announced policy, the costing will be on the basis of the information provided in the costing request.
- These guidelines are intended to facilitate requests for costing election policies. Persons preparing such requests who wish further assistance are invited to contact the staff of the Parliamentary Budget Office.