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References to Parliamentary Budget Office costings

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During the final days before the election there have been a number of references to policies costed by the Parliamentary Budget Office. This includes comments about whether polices have been costed, whether costs are already included in the budget and about the net budget impact of policies.

The Parliamentary Budget Office strongly encourages voters and journalists to consult our website. Election policy costings submitted and publically announced by the Australian Labor Party and Coalition can be found on the <u>policy costings</u> web page for each party.

The Budget Impact Statements, which provide totals of the policies announced and the impact on the next four years, can be found on the <u>Budget Impact Statements</u> web page.

These documents should be read in conjunction with the NSW Treasury Pre-election Budget Update which provides the baseline for the Budget Impact Statement, including policies already announced and budgeted for as at 5 March 2019.

The individual policy costings and Budget Impact Statements provide the voters of NSW with an independent source of what has and has not been committed to by the Australian Labor Party and Coalition, and their budget impacts.

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