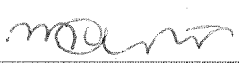


Request for Costing an Election Commitment

Name of election commitment:	<i>Reducing Workplace Injuries and Workers Compensation Costs</i>					
Person and party requesting costing:	Meredith Hunter, ACT Greens Parliamentary Leader					
Date of public release of election commitment, including source:	11 October 2012 http://act.greens.org.au/content/government-savings					
Summary of election commitment:	ACT Government Directorates will achieve a 5% per annum saving in workers' compensation premium costs by 2014-15.					
Intention of election commitment:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A reduction in workplace injuries and risk and a financial saving from reduced insurance premiums; • Focusing on preventative measures through workplace health and safety, to make workplaces safer and more productive. 					
Signature of person requesting costing:						
Date of request for costing:	12/10/12					
What are the key assumptions that have been made in the election commitment?						
<p>Note: that where the request to cost an election commitment differs from the public announcement, the costing will be on the basis of information provided in the costing request.</p> <p>Note: it will be up to the professional judgment of the Director-General as to whether these assumptions are adopted in the costing of the election commitment.</p>						
Where relevant, is the funding for the policy to be demand driven or a capped amount?						
N/A.						
Will third parties, for instance the Commonwealth or other State/Territories, have a role in funding or delivering the election commitment?						
No.						
Will funding/the cost require indexation?						
No.						
What are the estimated revenue and operating costs each year (if available) and what are the capital requirements for this election commitment and estimated costs each year (if available)?						
	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Revenue ^(a)						
Expenses ^(a)			1,900	1,900	1,900	5,700
Capital						
(a) A negative number indicates a decrease in revenue or an increase in expenses.						
What is the likely take up?						
N/A						
Any other assumptions?						

- There has been a 32.9% increase in ACT Government workers' compensation premiums over the period 2006-07 to 2010-11.
- Review of the audited financial statements for ACT Government Directorates identified that total workers compensation premiums payable by financial year for the last three financial years were:
 - 2008-09 - \$29.460M
 - 2009-10 - \$34.379M
 - 2010-11 - \$37.964M
- The initiative assumes a once of saving and the timeframe will allow for measures to be put in place by Directorates to reduce workplace injuries so that savings can be realised in 2014-15.

Administration of the election commitment

How will the election commitment be administered?

It will be the responsibility of Chief Minister and Cabinet Directorate and ACTIA(?) to administer this election commitment.

Who will administer the election commitment?

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Has an allowance been made for expenses necessary to support the implementation of this election commitment?

– If no, will the government agency be expected to absorb expenses associated with this election commitment?

– If yes, please specify the key assumptions.

Recurrent resources within Chief Minister and Cabinet Directorate who are responsible for the oversight and management of workers compensation matters for ACT Government will coordinate this commitment across agencies as part of their core responsibilities.

What is the intended implementation date of the election commitment?

The introduction of measures to achieve the savings will commence as soon as possible.

Are there transitional arrangements associated with election commitment implementation?

No

Are there any other assumptions that need to be considered?

No

When is the election commitment expected to be fully operational?

Please provide further details i.e. start and end dates, the level of commitment during each period etc?

From the 2014-15 financial year.

Will the election commitment cease and if so when?

N/A.