


Request for Costing an Election Commitment

Name of election commitment:	Scholarships for early childhood educators					
Person and party requesting costing:	Katy Gallagher, ACT Labor					
Date of public release of election commitment, including source:	16/9/12 http://www.katygallagher.net/?p=2189					
Summary of election commitment:	ACT Labor will deliver a new scholarship program for up to 25 early childcare educators per year wishing to gain a university degree in early childhood education.					
Intention of election commitment:	To build the skills of our early childhood educators.					
Signature of person requesting costing:						
Date of request for costing:	14.10.12					
What are the key assumptions that have been made in the election commitment?						
<p>These scholarships will provide up to \$6 000 over 4 years to early childhood educators. About twenty five scholarships are to commence each year and last four years, and each will provide \$1,500 per year. The scholarships would commence at the beginning of calendar year 2014. Where relevant, is the funding for the policy to be demand driven or a capped amount? Capped</p>						
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? It is indexed						
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)		-20	-60	-90	-130	-300
Capital						
(a) A negative number indicates a decrease in revenue or an increase in expenses.						
What is the likely take up? This allows for 25 new scholarships commencing each year.						
Any other assumptions?						

Administration of the election commitment

How will the election commitment be administered? Through the Community Services Directorate.

Who will administer the election commitment? CSD

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

- It is not expected there will be extra administrative costs associated with this – of there are, they will be absorbed by CSD.

What is the intended implementation date of the election commitment? 2014

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?
Scholarships begin at the beginning of calendar year 2014.

Will the election commitment cease and if so when? This is a four year program that ceases in 2017. Any decision to extend will be subject to future budget consideration.