


Request for Costing an Election Commitment

Name of election commitment:	<i>Small Business Commissioner cost-benefit analysis</i>					
Person and party requesting costing:	Meredith Hunter, ACT Greens Parliamentary Leader					
Date of public release of election commitment, including source:	8 th October 2012 http://act.greens.org.au/sites/greens.org.au/files/Business.pdf (page 4)					
Summary of election commitment:	Provide \$200,000 to determine the costs and benefits of the ACT having a Small Business Commissioner.					
Intention of election commitment:	To gather evidence on which to base future policy decisions surrounding a Small Business Commissioner.					
Signature of person requesting costing:						
Date of request for costing:	11/10/12					
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?						
Capped						
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)		-200				-200
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?						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - That a consultant would be engaged by the Economic Development Directorate to undertake a cost-benefit analysis. 						

Administration of the election commitment
<p>How will the election commitment be administered? Through normal public tender process used by the Economic Development Directorate</p>
<p>Who will administer the election commitment? EDD</p>
<p>Has an allowance been made for expenses necessary to support the implementation of this election commitment? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – If no, will the government agency be expected to absorb expenses associated with this election commitment? – If yes, please specify the key assumptions. No, any additional costs are expected to be absorbed within existing directorate resources.</p>
<p>What is the intended implementation date of the election commitment? During 2013-14.</p>
<p>Are there transitional arrangements associated with election commitment implementation? No.</p>
<p>Are there any other assumptions that need to be considered? No</p>
<p>When is the election commitment expected to be fully operational? <i>Please provide further details i.e. start and end dates, the level of commitment during each period etc?</i> During 2013-14.</p>
<p>Will the election commitment cease and if so when? Yes, at the end of 2013-14.</p>