

Request for Costing an Election Commitment

Name of policy proposal:	ACT Independent Commission Against Corruption (29 August 2016)
Person requesting costing:	Alistair Coe MLA, Shadow Treasurer
Date of request:	5 October 2016
Summary of proposal:	The Canberra Liberals will establish an ACT Independent Commission Against Corruption.
Issue the proposal will address:	To improve the integrity of government.

What are the key assumptions that have been made in the proposal?

Note: The costing will developed on the basis of information and assumptions provided in the costing request. The professional judgment of the Under Treasurer will determine whether these assumptions are adopted in the costing of the proposal.

- This costing has been based on Tasmania's Integrity Commission, however it has been scaled down, noting that since 2014-15 most staff at Tasmania's Integrity Commission have become part-time.
- It has been assumed that the staffing profile will consist of:
 - A full-time CEO – salary based of that of the Human Rights President at \$210,790 (as per Remuneration Tribunal determination) with relevant on-costs.
 - A part-time Board Chair – salary based of that of the Chair of the Electoral Commission Board at \$31,455 (as per Remuneration Tribunal Determination 11 of 2014 and 6 of 2016) with relevant on-costs.
 - Three part time Board Members – salary based of that of members of the Electoral Commission Board at \$19,725 (as per Remuneration Tribunal Determination 11 of 2014 and 6 of 2016) with relevant on-costs.
 - 2.5 SOG A positions – 0.5 x General Counsel, 1 x General Manager of Operations and 1 x General Manager of Misconduct, Prevention and Education.
 - 1.5 x SOG B positions – 0.5 x General Manager of Corporate Services and 1 x Senior Investigator (under Operations).
 - 1 x SOGC position – 1 x Senior Education, Misconduct Prevention Officer.
 - 2.5 ASO6 positions – 0.5 x Business Services Coordinator, 1.5 x Investigators (under operations) and 0.5 x Education/Prevention Officer.
 - 1.5 x ASO3 positions – 1 x Administrative Assistant and 0.5 x Records Officer.
- An additional \$200,000 per year has been provisioned for supplies and consumables.
- A Workers Compensation rate of 1.18% has been assumed for all staff, consistent with that of the Chief Minister's Directorate (core).
- Costs have been indexed at 2.5% as per Treasury advice.

What are the estimated revenue and operating costs each year (if available) and what are the capital requirements for this proposal and estimated costs each year (if available)?

	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Revenue^(a)					
Expenses^(a)	0	-1,915	-1,960	-2,010	-5,885
Capital					
Depreciation					

(a) A negative number indicates a decrease in revenue or an increase in expenses. The expenses row does not include depreciation costs.

Has any specific information or data been utilised in generating the proposal?

Yes. Remuneration Tribunal determinations and annual reports from the Tasmanian Integrity Commission were used in this costing.

Where relevant, is funding for the proposal 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 proposal? Does the proposal provide additional funding to, or redirect, any existing Commonwealth/State or Territory funding arrangements (for example, does an education proposal add to or redirect NERA funding)?

No.

Will funding/the cost require indexation?

Yes. Costs have been indexed at 2.5% as per Treasury advice.

Who will administer the proposal?

The Chief Minister's Directorate.

How will the proposal be administered?

The Chief Minister's Directorate, in consultation with the Chief Minister and Attorney-General will have responsibility for the establishment of the Commission.

Is the proposal part of a broader package?

No.

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

- If no, will the government agency be expected to absorb expenses associated with this proposal?
- If yes, please specify the key assumptions.

No. Any implementation costs above what has been provisioned for in the proposal will be met from within existing resources.

Will the proposal generate savings or offsets?

No.

Has the proposal been previously costed by an external (third) party? Will a copy of this material, including any assumptions, be made available to Treasury?

No.

What are the community impacts associated with the proposal? Who and how many people will be affected?

Community impacts are expected to be positive by ensuring government operates with integrity.

Are there any transitional considerations associated with implementation of the proposal? If so, how will they be managed?

No.

What is the intended implementation date of the proposal?

1 July 2017 with recruitment to begin in early 2017.

When is the proposal expected to be fully operational? Please provide details such as the start and end dates, the level of commitment during each period etc?

1 July 2017

Will the proposal cease, and if so, when?

The proposal is ongoing.

Is there any additional information relevant to this proposal?

No.