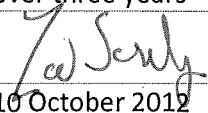


Request for Costing an Election Commitment

Name of election commitment:					
Person and party requesting costing:	Zed Seselja MLA, Leader of the Opposition				
Date of public release of election commitment, including source:	3 September 2012, media release 'Libs to expand teacher training'				
Summary of election commitment:	Double the Teacher Professional Development Fund				
Intention of election commitment:	Double the Teacher Professional Development Fund over three years				
Signature of person requesting costing:					
Date of request for costing:	10 October 2012				
What are the key assumptions that have been made in the election commitment?					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The current budget for the fund is \$1.25 million each year as per QoN 2417 - Increase in 2013-14 by 33% of base, increase in 2014-15 by 33% of base and an increase in 2015-16 by 34% of base which leads to the fund doubling to \$2.5 million. 					
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? n/a					
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	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Revenue ^(a)					
Expenses ^(a)	0	-415	-825	-1,250	-2,490
Capital					
(a) A negative number indicates a decrease in revenue or an increase in expenses.					
What is the likely take up? 100%					
Any other assumptions? No.					

<i>Administration of the election commitment</i>
How will the election commitment be administered? In line with the existing administration of the fund
Who will administer the election commitment? ETD
Has an allowance been made for expenses necessary to support the implementation of this election commitment? Administering this fund is considered business as usual for the ETD
What is the intended implementation date of the election commitment? 1 July 2013
Are there transitional arrangements associated with election commitment implementation? n/a
Are there any other assumptions that need to be considered? n/a
When is the election commitment expected to be fully operational? Increases will begin 1 July 2013 with the fund fully doubled by 1 July 2015.
Will the election commitment cease and if so when? This is commitment is ongoing

Teacher Professional Development Fund – Costing Justification

The current budget for the Teacher Professional Learning Fund is estimated at \$1.25 million for each year from 2012-13 to 2015-16 as provided by QoN 2417.

The increase of 100 percent over the three years has been calculated by increasing the 2013-14 year by 33 percent, the 2014-15 year by another 33 percent and the 2015-16 year by 34 percent of the original baseline figure. The increase each year is included in the baseline calculation for the next year.

$$2013-14: \$1,250,000 \times 33\% = \$1,662,500$$

$$2014-15: \$1,662,500 + (1,250,000 \times 33\%) = \$2,075,000$$

$$2015-16: \$2,075,000 + (1,250,000 \times 34\%) = \$2,500,000$$

The funding has then been calculated by taking the difference between the old \$1,250 baseline and the new baseline.

$$2013-14: 1,662,500 - 1,250,000 = \$412,500$$

$$2014-15: 2,075,000 - 1,250,000 = \$825,000$$

$$2015-16: 2,500,000 - 1,250,000 = \$1,250,000$$

The costing has been rounded to the nearest \$5,000.

Teacher Professional Development Fund

	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Current Budget	1,250,000	1,250,000	1,250,000	1,250,000
New Baseline (33,33,34)	0	1,662,500	2,075,000	2,500,000
Additional Funding	0	412,500	825,000	1,250,000
Costing	0	415	825	1,250

QoN 1852

MINISTER FOR EDUCATION AND TRAINING
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY QUESTION

QUESTION NUMBER 2417

BUDGETED EXPENDITURE TEACHER PROFESSIONAL LEARNING FUND

MR DOSZPOT - asked the Minister for Education and Training on 07/06/2012:

- (1) What is the budgeted expenditure for 2012-13 to 2015-16 for The Teacher Professional Learning Fund.
- (2) What is this funding equal to per teaching staff.
- (3) What programs are being funded from this fund in the 2012-13 year.

DR BOURKE - the answer to MR DOSZPOT'S question is:

- (1) The total funding allocated to professional learning under the Teachers' Professional Learning Fund is \$1.25m in each of the financial years 2012-13 and 2013-14, as indicated in the *ACT Public Service Education and Training Directorate (Teaching Staff) Enterprise Agreement 2011-2014*.

The amount allocated for professional learning through the Teachers' Professional Learning Fund for the 2015-16 financial year will be negotiated through a future enterprise bargaining process.

- (2) The funding from the Teacher's Professional Learning Fund is equivalent to \$416.89 per teacher for financial year 2012-13. The Teacher Professional Learning fund represents only a small proportion of the professional learning opportunities available for teachers.
- (3) Programs are funded on a calendar year rather than a financial year.

Programs funded in 2012 include:

Scholarships	Individual Scholarships	\$100,000
	Targeted Scholarships	\$ 15,000
Programs	New Educator Support/Mentor Training	\$ 50,000
	Australian Curriculum – Lead Schools	\$220,000
	ImpACT – critical incident/behaviour management/staff mentoring	\$ 26,000
	cLc – LIFE – learning management system	\$ 40,000
	Leadership Development	\$ 70,000
	National Quality Framework for Early Childhood	\$ 40,000
	Planning for School Improvement	\$ 15,000
	Professional Readings - subscription	\$ 16,400
	2012 Leadership Conference	\$ 35,000

Approved for circulation to the Member and incorporation into Hansard.



Dr Chris Bourke MLA
Minister for Education and Training

Date: ... 25/7/12