

MEDIA RELEASE

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RECEIPT OF REQUEST FOR COSTING OF ELECTION COMMITMENT

The Department of Finance has been asked by the Prime Minister to cost the following election commitments under the *Charter of Budget Honesty Act 1998*:

COA 036 – Agency Resourcing COA 037 – Rural Health and Medical Training, Far North Queensland

The costings will be completed in accordance with the *Charter of Budget Honesty: Policy Costing Guidelines* – 2021. The Guidelines are available at www.electioncostings.gov.au.

The Guidelines provide that in certain circumstances, a costing may not be completed. As these requests were received on 17 May 2022, the costings may not be completed prior to polling day.

If completed prior to the election, the costings will be publically released on www.electioncostings.gov.au. If the costings are unable to be completed prior to the election, a statement to this effect will be published on www.electioncostings.gov.au and, consistent with subclause 31(3) of the Charter of Budget Honesty Act 1998, the costing requests will be taken to be withdrawn.

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