



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

SELECT COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES 2017-18

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COMMUNITY AND INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVE GROUPS SURVEY

SURVEY OF COMMUNITY AND INDUSTRY GROUPS ON THE
ACT BUDGET 2017-18 PRESENTED BY THE ACT GOVERNMENT ON 6 JUNE 2017

If you wish to respond to this survey, please return it to committees@parliament.act.gov.au by **3.00pm Friday 9 June 2017**. If there is insufficient room for any of your comments, below, please append additional comments.

1. Full name of group/organisation:

SCOA Australia ACT [Superannuated Commonwealth Officers Association]

2. Name of contact person for this survey and their telephone number and email address:

John Blount, [REDACTED]

3. Please provide a brief overview of your organisation/group and its purpose.

SCOA Australia ACT has almost 2300 members and directly represents retired Commonwealth, ACT Government and Government business enterprise employees.

4. Has your organisation/group developed a written analysis of the ACT Budget that it would like to submit to the Committee?

Yes* (If yes, please email it to the Committee Secretariat with your completed survey.)

No

5. Please list, in order of priority, your three key priority areas regarding the ACT Budget 2017-2018 (you can expand on these in Question 6):

- a. seniors/pensioners cost of living & concessions
- b. health
- c. transport

**If completing this form electronically, simply double click the Yes/No field and choose "checked" to insert a cross.*

6. Please provide details of your views on the ACT Budget in relation to your three priority areas?

a. -We are concerned that the \$246 hit to house-owning pensioners as a result of the combined water/electricity rebate will add to the impact of utility and rate increases on cost of living (notwithstanding that it benefits rent-paying pensioners)

- We welcome the 6 month extension of the off-peak MyWay trial for Seniors.

b. We note that older Canberrans (such as out members) will benefit from the extension of nurse-led walk-in centres and the new investment in the Acute Aged Care ward at Canberra Hospital and the funds going to improve GPs bulk-billing.

c. We note that the extension of the 'flexible bus service' scheme to the inner north will directly benefit older Canberrans.

7. Are there any other particular issues with the ACT Budget that you would like to bring to the Committee's attention?

Yes No

a. If yes, please comment/attach further details:

8. Did you provide a pre-budget submission to the ACT Government for 2017-18?

Yes (go to question 9) No (go to question 10)

9. Do you think that the ACT Budget has addressed the issues raised in your submission?

Yes No Partially

a. If no/partially, please comment

10. Does your organisation/group wish to be considered to provide its views in a Committee public hearing on Friday 16 June 2017, at the Legislative Assembly, London Circuit, Canberra.

Yes No

If you indicate yes, and the Committee selects you to appear at the hearing, the Committee Support Office will contact you by close of business Wednesday 14 June 2017 to confirm arrangements. Please note that the Committee may not be able to hear from all interested groups/organisations.

Thank you for contributing to the inquiry.
