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Legislative Assembly for the Australian Capital Territory
Select Committee on Estimates 2026–2027

Inquiry into Appropriation Bill 2026–2027 and Appropriation (Office of the Legislative Assembly) Bill 2026–2027

Answer to question taken on notice

Asked by: Mr Emerson MLA

Addressed to: Canberra Institute of Technology

In relation to: Treasurer's advance

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Mr Rogers took on notice the following question(s):

MR EMERSON: Just finally on this, I know I have taken a bit of time, there was a Treasurer's Advance issued on 10 June this year of $8.08 million for CIT. One of the reasons listed was increased employee expenditure. Do you have a breakdown of how much of that increased expenditure related to executive level expenditure as opposed to teaching staff?

Mr Rogers: I think we do. Whether we can provide it today, we might have to—

Ms Wark: We might take that one on notice.

Mr Rogers: We will take that on notice and provide that back to you.

MR ROGERS: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

CIT received a Treasurer's Advance of $8.08 million under section 18 of the Financial Management Act 1996 in 2025–26. The advance provided additional appropriation to address cost pressures arising from a decline in commercial and international student revenue, increased employee expenditure, and lower than expected commercial revenue.

Expenditure on executive employees reduced by $0.468 million in 2025–26 compared with 2024–25, with the average number of executives paid decreasing by three positions. This reduction was the result of considered decisions to reduce executive expenditure including:

- not backfilling executives on secondment to other ACT Government agencies;
- combining two Executive Director positions following resignation in May 2025

- phase 1 executive realignment, resulting in two Executive Director positions being abolished in December 2025 and replaced by a Deputy CEO position yet to be filled.

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Signature: Date: 03/08/2026

By the CIT Board Chair, Mr Tom Rogers