Victorian Budget 2019/20

Public Accounts and Estimates Committee – 2019/20 Budget Estimates Hearing

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Assistant Treasurer responsibilities

- The Assistant Treasurer's portfolio responsibilities:
 - Essential Services Commission
 - Financial management
 - Government purchasing
 - Public sector information technology services (Cenitex)
 - Public sector superannuation and insurance
 - Public construction standards
 - Public sector risk management

Framework reform update

- Strong financial management systems and practices underpin quality services and infrastructure for Victorians
- Revisions to Standing Directions and supporting frameworks to strengthen accountability

The Shared Service Provider (SSP)

- Delivers a range of services to government, including:
 - property services
 - library services
 - car pool services
- In 2017, new service provider appointed for the provision of accommodation services to strengthen the management of subcontractors to improve service levels
- SSP continues to:
 - Work toward the target workspace ratio
 - meet its total accommodation cost target, providing value for money to the State and trending below CPI

Locally manufactured uniforms and personal protective equipment (PPE)

- Since 1 August 2018, all agencies have been required to buy locally and ethically manufactured uniforms and PPE
- Agencies must buy from suppliers on the Ethical Supplier Register
- Complements Local Jobs First
- Monitor appointed to promote, advise, monitor and report

Social Procurement Framework (SPF)

- Enables government to leverage its significant buying power
- Designed to achieve social and sustainable outcomes above and beyond the value of the goods, services and construction being procured
- Embeds social procurement into existing procurement processes
- Applied to all government departments and agencies from 1 September 2018
- Progress will be measured, monitored and reported on over time

Reforming Emergency Services Superannuation

- Funding has been approved to implement a comprehensive package of reforms to improve the retirement benefits of police and emergency services personnel
- Additional superannuation contributions for members that have attained the maximum multiple in the defined benefit scheme
- Improving gender equity by enabling members to make 'catch-up' contributions at higher rates

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Essential Services Commission Initiatives

Funding the Energy Fairness Plan

- Fairer contract terms and conditions
- Victorian Default Offer
- New consumer focussed energy codes
- New powers to effectively enforce the rules and build trust in the Victorian energy market



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