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**Referred by:** Coalition **Proposal No:** C1319  
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**Proposal Title:** Safety and Security at Religious Institutions  
**Cluster:** Stronger Communities

### General Government Sector Impacts

	2022-23 \$'000	2023-24 \$'000	2024-25 \$'000	2025-26 \$'000	4 year Total \$'000
Expenses (ex. depreciation)	-	2,500	2,500	2,500	7,500
Depreciation	-	-	-	-	-
Less: Offsets	-	-	-	-	-
Revenue	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net Operating Balance:</b>	-	<b>(2,500)</b>	<b>(2,500)</b>	<b>(2,500)</b>	<b>(7,500)</b>

Capital Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Offsets	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net Capital Expenditure:</b>	-	-	-	-	-

<b>Net Lending/(Borrowing):</b>	-	<b>(2,500)</b>	<b>(2,500)</b>	<b>(2,500)</b>	<b>(7,500)</b>
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### Total State Sector Impacts

<b>Net Lending/(Borrowing):</b>	-	<b>(2,500)</b>	<b>(2,500)</b>	<b>(2,500)</b>	<b>(7,500)</b>
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### Notes and costing assumptions:

The policy proposes to establish a grants program which will provide faith-based organisations with recurrent security funding for their institutions or premises. This proposal builds on previous investments by the Government in CCTV cameras and other security equipment.

The policy will be implemented from 1 July 2023. The funding profile of the policy is a maximum of \$2.5 million for four years to 2026-27 totalling \$10 million. Individual grants will be capped at \$500,000 per group. This will have a total impact of \$7.5 million over the forward estimates.

The policy states that administration costs associated with the program will be met from within the existing Multicultural NSW budget.

#### Assumptions:

- The PBO assumes that Multicultural NSW will work in collaboration with grant applicants to determine appropriate requirements for individual faith-based organisations.
- The specific funding per grant will be assessed on a case-by-case basis.
- Applications will be competitively assessed and administered in accordance with the NSW Grant Guidelines.
- Multicultural NSW's recurrent budget in 2022-23 was \$68.6 million, and the PBO considers it reasonable that administration costs can be absorbed within existing budgets.