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**Referred by:** Australian Labor Party      **Proposal No:** C1395  
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**Proposal Title:** \$60 million for non-government schools to expand pre-kindergarten access  
**Cluster:** Education

### General Government Sector Impacts

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

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

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

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

This policy proposes to provide \$60 million for non-government schools to apply for funding to expand pre-kindergarten access.

The money would come from the NSW Government's \$1.4 billion commitment to the Universal Pre-Kindergarten initiative. Non-Government schools would need to co-locate the new facilities with existing primary school facilities or expand Pre-K facilities that are already existing on primary school sites.

The estimated cost of this policy is \$15 million in each year from 2023-24 to 2026-27. The policy specifies the cost would be met within current universal pre-kindergarten provisions. The PBO has been advised by NSW Treasury that the forward estimates include unallocated funding for the program sufficient to meet these costs. The policy therefore has no net financial impact.

#### Assumptions

- This would not cancel or alter any pre-existing allocating of the NSW Government's \$1.4 billion Universal Pre-kindergarten initiative and that there is funding for the program in the budget that has not yet been allocated.

**Notes and costing assumptions continued:**

- Non-government schools would need to apply to the government to receive this proposed funding.
- The policy assumes any administration costs related to allocating this funding would be absorbed as part of the total policy allocation.