

DEPARTMENT OF THE PRIME MINISTER AND CABINET

To: Prime Minister (for decision by 17 February 2012)

AUSTRALIAN GREENS' POLICY COSTING - FAIRER SUPERANNUATION TAX CONCESSIONS

Recommendations - that you:

1. sign the attached letter to Senator Brown (Attachment A) advising that his costing request regarding changes to superannuation arrangements has been forwarded to the Treasurer, the Hon Wayne Swan MP.

Julia Gillard

Date: 16/2/12

Signed / Not Signed

Purpose: To respond to a letter from Senator Brown that requests costing of changes to taxation arrangements relating to superannuation contributions.

Key Points:

1. Senator Brown wrote to you on 7 February 2012 (Attachment B) requesting a policy costing for changes to taxation arrangements for superannuation contributions.
2. This request is in accordance with the arrangement made between the Australian Greens and the Australian Labor Party.
3. We recommend that you sign the letter at Attachment A which acknowledges Senator Brown's request and informs him that his proposal has been forwarded to the Treasurer as the minister responsible for costing this proposal.



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Economic Division

14 February 2012

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ATTACHMENTS

ATTACHMENT A: Draft letter to Senator Brown

ATTACHMENT B: Incoming correspondence

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Secretary
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Ms Cross
Dr Schreier
Mr Yeaman

PMO
Ms Haylen
Ms Roberts

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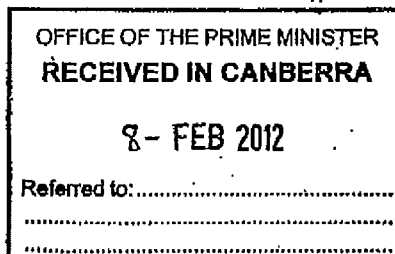
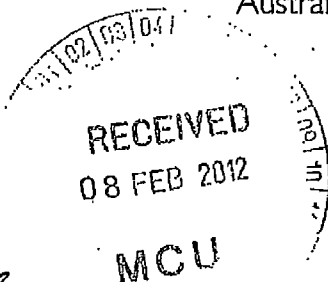
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Bob Brown

Australian Greens Senator for Tasmania

07 February 2012

The Hon Julia Gillard MP
Prime Minister
Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600



Dear Prime Minister *Julia*

In accordance with the agreement between the Australian Greens and the Australian Labor Party I submit the following policy for costing by the Departments of Treasury and Finance & Deregulation:

Fairer superannuation tax concessions

The replacement of the 15 per cent tax rate on superannuation contributions with their being taxed at the individual's marginal rate minus 15 percentage points.

Please contact my office should you, or the Departments, require any further information or clarification on these costings in order to undertake this work.

We look forward to a response on these matters.

Yours sincerely,

Senator Bob Brown
Leader of the Australian Greens