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Dear Mr Mullighan

#### APPLICATION UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 1991

I refer to your application made under the *Freedom of Information Act* 1991 (FOI Act), dated 9 May 2019.

Your application seeks access to:

"All minutes, briefings and correspondence titled 'Board of Treasurers – Draft Agenda' as described on the Objective document management system, between 12 July 2018 and 9 May 2019."

The legislative prescribed timeframe to determine this application has expired and is now deemed to have refused you access to all documents relevant to your application. I refer to my letter dated 26 May 2019 where I sought additional time to make my determination.

The purpose of this letter is to advise you of my determination. An extensive search was conducted within this office. A total of 1 document was identified as answering the terms of your application.

I grant you access in part to 1 document, a copy of which is enclosed.

#### **Document Released in Part**

Document 1 is a briefing prepared by DTF for my consideration, about the proposed draft agenda for the first Board of Treasurers meeting in 2019.

Under the Board of Treasurers Terms of Reference, section 4.9 state that 'unless otherwise stated or agreed, all Board papers are to be treated as confidential'.

Under clause 5 of Schedule 1 to the Act, information is exempt from disclosure if it contains matter the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to cause damage to intergovernmental relations; or would divulge information from a confidential intergovernmental communication.

The draft agenda contains matters for discussion and decisions by state Treasurers at the meeting. If released, this could adversely affect confidential intergovernmental relations in the future.

I have therefore determined to refuse access to these documents pursuant to clause 5 of Schedule 1 of the FOI Act.

### **Exemptions**

## Clause 5 – Documents affecting inter-governmental or local governmental relations

- (1) A document is an exempt document if it contains matter—
  - (a) the disclosure of which—
    - (i) could reasonably be expected to cause damage to intergovernmental relations; or
    - (ii) would divulge information from a confidential intergovernmental communication; and
  - (b) the disclosure of which would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest.

Please note, in compliance with Premier and Cabinet Circular PC045 - Disclosure Logs for Non-Personal Information Released through Freedom of Information (PC045), the Department of Treasury and Finance is now required to publish a log of all non-personal information released under the Freedom of Information Act 1991.

In accordance with this Circular, any non-personal information determined for release as part of this application, may be published on the DTF website. A copy of PC045 can be found at the following address: <a href="https://dpc.sa.gov.au/resources-and-publications/premier-and-cabinet-circulars">https://dpc.sa.gov.au/resources-and-publications/premier-and-cabinet-circulars</a>. Please visit the website for further information.

As I am determining this application as Principal Officer, Section 29(6) of the Act does not provide for an internal review. If you are dissatisfied with my determination you are entitled to exercise your rights of external review with the Ombudsman.

Alternatively, you can apply to the South Australian Civil and Administrative Tribunal. If you wish to seek a review, Section 39(3) of the Act states you must do so within 30 calendar days of receiving the determination.

If you require any further information, please contact Vicky Cathro on 8226 9769.

Yours sincerely

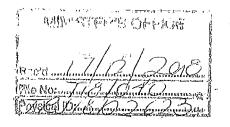
Hon Rob Lucas MLC

Principal Officer

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#### MINUTE





#### MINUTES forming ENCLOSURE

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To

The Treasurer

#### **BOARD OF TREASURERS - DRAFT AGENDA**

Timing:

ROUTINE

#### Recommendations/Issues: It is recommended that you:

- note the proposed draft agenda for the first Board of Treasurers meeting in 2019;
- · advise if you have any comments on the draft agenda; and
- subject to your comments, approve the draft agenda being circulated to other jurisdictions to assist them with planning for the upcoming meeting.

Approved / Not-Approved

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Hon Rob Lucas MLC Treasurer

19/12/18.

#### Key Points:

- The first Board of Treasurers (BoT) meeting in 2019 is currently scheduled to be held on 22 February in Adelaide, subject to confirmation of attendance from other Treasurers.
- A draft agenda for the meeting has been prepared for your consideration (Attachment A).
- It is proposed that the agenda be split into two components matters for decision /
  discussion and matters for noting. This format has been suggested to try and focus
  discussion on the substantive topics, while also allowing for the sharing of information
  such as best practice reforms.







Following your consideration of the proposed agenda it is recommended that it is circulated to other jurisdictions as a draft to assist with planning for the upcoming meeting.

David Reynolds CHIEF EXECUTIVE

December 2018

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