

Appendix 3

Parliamentary Budget Office: financial implications of legalising cannabis¹

Table A1: Legalising marijuana—Fiscal balance^{(a)(b)}

(\$m)	2016–17	2017–18	2018–19	2019–20	Total to 2019–20
GST revenue	-	350.0	300.0	250.0	900.0
GST expenses to the states and territories	-	-297.0	-297.0	-248.0	-842.0
Departmental expenses - Australian Taxation Office	-	-3.0	-3.0	-2.0	-8.0
Net GST impact	-	50.0	50.0
Departmental expenses - AFP	-	52.0	51.0	51.0	154.0
Departmental expenses - ABF	-	46.0	46.0	46.0	138.0
Net law enforcement impact	-	98.0	97.0	97.0	292.0
Total	-	148.0	97.0	97.0	342.0

(a) A positive number for the fiscal balance indicates an increase in revenue or a decrease in expenses or net capital investment in accrual terms. A negative number for the fiscal balance indicates a decrease in revenue or an increase in expenses or net capital investment in accrual terms.

(b) Figures may not sum to totals due to rounding.

.. Not zero but rounded to zero.

- Indicates nil.

Table A2: Legalising marijuana—Underlying cash balance^{(a)(b)}

(\$m)	2016–17	2017–18	2018–19	2019–20	Total to 2019–20
GST receipts	-	300.0	300.0	250.0	850.0
GST payments to the states and territories	-	-297.0	-297.0	-248.0	-842.0
Departmental expenses - Australian Taxation Office	-	-3.0	-3.0	-2.0	-8.0
Net GST impact	-	-	-	-	-
Departmental expenses - AFP	-	52.0	51.0	51.0	154.0
Departmental expenses - ABF	-	46.0	46.0	46.0	138.0
Net law enforcement impact	-	98.0	97.0	97.0	292.0
Total	-	98.0	97.0	97.0	292.0

(a) A positive number for the underlying cash balance indicates an increase in receipts or a decrease in outlays or net capital investment in cash terms. A negative number for the underlying cash balance indicates a decrease in receipts or an increase in outlays or net capital investment in cash terms.

(b) Figures may not sum to totals due to rounding.

- Indicates nil.