

# **Freedom of Information Publication Coversheet**

The following information is provided pursuant to section 28 of the *Freedom of Information Act 2016*.

## FOI Reference: CMTEDDFOI 2020-126

Information to be published	Status
1. Access application	Published
2. Decision notice	Published
3. Documents and schedule	N/A
4. Additional information identified	No
5. Fees	N/A
6. Processing time (in working days)	1
7. Decision made by Ombudsman	N/A
8. Additional information identified by Ombudsman	N/A
9. Decision made by ACAT	N/A
10. Additional information identified by ACAT	N/A

Please find online enquiry details below. Please ensure this enquiry is responded to within fourteen working days.

#### Your details

All fields are optional, however an email address OR full postal address must be provided for us to process your request. An email address and telephone contact number will assist us to contact you quickly if we need to discuss your request.

Title:	
First Name:	
Last Name:	
Business/Organisation:	
Address:	
Suburb:	
Postcode:	
State/Territory:	
Phone/mobile:	
Email address:	

**Request for information** 

## (Please provide as much detail as possible, for example subject matter and relevant dates, and also provide details of documents that you are not interested in.)

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I do not want to access the following documents in relation

want to access the

(\*required field):

to my request::

Thank you. Freedom of Information Coordinator



Our ref: CMTEDDFOI 2020-126

via email:	
Dear	

## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

I refer to your application under section 30 of the *Freedom of Information Act 2016* (the Act), received by the Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate (CMTEDD) on 29 June 2020, in which you sought access to documents related information regarding the joint Commonwealth Treasury and Australian Taxation Office statement regarding JobKeeper claims.

Specifically, you are seeking:

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#### Authority

As an appointed Information Officer under section 18 of the Act, I am authorised to make a decision on access or amendment to government information in the possession or control of CMTEDD.

#### Timeframes

In accordance of section 40 of the Act, CMTEDD is required to provide a decision on your access application by 27 July 2020.

#### **Decision on access**

The information you are seeking is a Commonwealth Government initiative therefore no information relevant to your request is held by the ACT Government. The information you are seeking is held by the Commonwealth Department The Treasury (<u>https://treasury.gov.au/</u>). You can submit your request directly to their FOI team by following this link https://treasury.gov.au/the-department/accountability-reporting/foi

## Charges

Pursuant to *Freedom of Information (Fees) Determination 2017 (No 2)* processing charges are not applicable for this request because there are no documents available to be processed.

## **Online publishing – Disclosure Log**

Under section 28 of the Act, CMTEDD maintains an online record of access applications called a disclosure log. Your original access application and my decision in response to your access application will be published in the CMTEDD disclosure log 3 days after the date of my decision. Your personal contact details will not be published. You may view the CMTEDD disclosure log at: <u>https://www.cmtedd.act.gov.au/functions/foi/disclosure-log.</u>

#### **Ombudsman Review**

My decision on your access request is a reviewable decision as identified in Schedule 3 of the Act. You have the right to seek Ombudsman review of this outcome under section 73 of the Act within 20 working days from the day that my decision is published in CMTEDD disclosure log, or a longer period allowed by the Ombudsman.

We recommend using this form *Applying for an Ombudsman Review* to ensure you provide all of the required information. Alternatively, you may write to the Ombudsman at:

The ACT Ombudsman GPO Box 442 CANBERRA ACT 2601

Via email: actfoi@ombudsman.gov.au

#### ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal (ACAT) Review

Under section 84 of the Act, if a decision is made under section 82(1) on an Ombudsman review, you may apply to the ACAT for review of the Ombudsman decision. Further information may be obtained from the ACAT at:

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal Level 4, 1 Moore St GPO Box 370 Canberra City ACT 2601 Telephone: (02) 6207 1740 http://www.acat.act.gov.au/ Should you have any queries in relation to your request please contact me by telephone on 6207 7754 or email <u>CMTEDDFOI@act.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely

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Daniel Riley Information Officer Information Access Team Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate

30 June 2020