

# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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## NOTICE OF MOTION

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### MEMBER FOR GRAYNDLER:

I give notice that on the next day of sitting I shall move that this House:

1. Condemns:

- a. The Abbott Government's decision to axe the Local Roads Supplementary Funding Program for South Australia.
- b. The role of the Assistant Minister for Infrastructure and Regional Development in failing to protect the interests of South Australian councils.
- c. The Abbott Government's failure to justify the cuts to the South Australian community and South Australian councils.

2. Acknowledges:

- a. South Australia has 7% of Australia's population, 11% of Australia's local road length yet receives just 5.5% of the local road component of the Financial Assistance Grants.
- b. The purpose of Local Roads Supplementary Funding Program is to address the disadvantage of South Australian Council under the inter-jurisdictional distribution of the local road component of the Financial Assistance Grants.
- c. The former Labor Government provided \$17.8 million in the 2013-14 Commonwealth Budget to South Australian Councils under the program.

3. Notes:

- a. The Abbott Government's cuts to the Local Roads Supplementary Funding Program are compounded by the Abbott Government's decision to freeze indexation of Financial Assistance Grants to all local councils.
- b. Advice by the Local Government Association of South Australia that the cuts to Local Roads Supplementary Funding Program will have an immediate impact on draft budgets being considered by South Australian Councils.
- c. Advice by the Local Government Association of South Australia that South Australian councils now face a choice of cutting road programs by \$18m or raising council rates to cover the gap.

#### 4. Calls on the Abbott Government to:

- a. Acknowledge the disadvantage faced by South Australian councils under the inter-jurisdictional distribution of the local road component of the Financial Assistance Grants.
- b. Reinstate the Local Roads Supplementary Funding Program for South Australian councils.
- c. Unfreeze indexation of Financial Assistance Grants to local councils.

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Mover

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