

File: Government Cost Shifting File  
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The Secretary,  
House of Representatives,  
Standing Committee on Economics,  
Finance and Public Administration,  
Parliament House,  
**CANBERRA 2600.**

House of representatives Standing Committee on Economics, Finance and Public Administration	
Submission No:	44
Date Received:	24/7/02
Secretary:	Burdell

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Inquiry into Cost Shifting onto Local Government.**

I wish to advise that the Moonee Valley City Council, which is an inner Melbourne Metropolitan Council, intends to lodge a formal submission in respect of the "Cost Shifting Inquiry onto Local Government" to be chaired by Mr David Hawker MP.

Council's submission will cover cost shifting as a result of:

- Compliance – Additional costs associated with compliance with new or revised legislation.
- Shift in costs – Costs resulting from the transfer to Local Government of State and or Federal responsibilities.
- Under funding – short in funding for projects that are expected (by the Government and the Community) to continue.
- Excess levies – Increase in, or imposition of new, levies on Local Government for limited benefit and or no return.
- Flow on – Indirect costs associated with the flow-on of the above.

I have been advised by the Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV) that you will receive formal submissions up until August or September 2002. Consequently, it would be appreciated if you would acknowledge receipt of this advice regarding Council's intention to lodge a formal submission to this Inquiry, and also indicate the actual closing date for the lodgment of such submissions.

Council looks forward to contributing to the work of the Committee conducting the Inquiry and it trusts that valuable outcomes will be achieved for all parties involved.

Yours Sincerely

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