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Getting a fair share for the Territory

Treasurer, Delia Lawrie, will meet with State and Federal counterparts at the annual State Treasurer’s conference and Standing Council on Federal Financial Relations held in Canberra over the next two days.

Issues on the agenda include the current review of GST distribution, a national injury insurance scheme, and partnerships agreements with the Federal Government.

Ms Lawrie will be fighting to ensure the Territory gets a good deal from Canberra.

“Our Government has an excellent track record in securing funding from the Commonwealth, and as always I will be fighting for every last cent for Territorians,” Ms Lawrie said.

“The Territory is entering an exciting phase of growth which makes funding partnerships with Canberra critical to delivering the infrastructure and services for Territorians.

“As an emerging resource powerhouse, it is vital the Commonwealth continues to partner with the Territory Government so that we are able to develop like fellow boom jurisdictions Western Australia and Queensland.

“The CLP do not share in this vision for the Territory, and complain when we are successful in getting more funding from Canberra.

“Instead of standing up for Territorians, they wine and dine NSW Premier Barry O'Farrell, who is openly lobbying for changes to GST distribution which would strip the Territory of billions of dollars in revenue.”

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