



May 3, 2013

Mr. Francois Guimont
Deputy Minister
Public Safety Canada
Room: 19B-1900
269 Laurier Avenue West
Ottawa, ON K1A 0P8

Re: PBO Information Request IR0117: Cost of Firefighters' Death and Disability Compensation Fund

Dear Mr. Guimont:

This information request is being sent to you in order to answer parliamentary requests to provide a cost assessment of compensation benefits for firefighters and public safety officers killed or permanently disabled in the line of duty related to M-388 passed by the House of Commons in November 2012.

Pursuant to statutory authority under s. 79.3 of the *Parliament of Canada Act*, 1985, I would like to request data pertaining to the Department's cost assessment of the firefighters' death and disability fund. Specifically, I am requesting the data and assumptions underlying the cost estimate of \$60 million for such a benefit, as provided in the House of Commons on April 22, 2013.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact my staff if any clarification is required.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Sonia L'Heureux'.

Sonia L'Heureux
Parliamentary Budget Officer (interim)

c.c.: Rick Stewart, Assistant Secretary to the Cabinet, Privy Council Office,
Liaison Secretariat for Macroeconomic Policy



PBO Information Request

REQUEST NUMBER: IR0117

PBO CONTACT NAME: Peter Weltman 613-218-1854 or Peter.Weltman@parl.gc.ca

TYPE OF REQUEST: One-time

PRIORITY: Priority

DATE REQUEST SENT: May 3, 2013

RESPONSE REQUIRED BY: May 10, 2013

PBO OBJECTIVE:

To determine if the cost of implementing the death benefit described by Motion 388 would have a material fiscal or operational impact.

RELATION TO MANDATE:

Pursuant to s. 79.2, to estimate the financial cost of any proposal that relates to a matter over which Parliament has jurisdiction.

INFORMATION AND DATA REQUESTED:

Data and assumptions used to support the cost estimate of \$60 million, as presented in the House of Commons on April 22, 2012, as referenced in Hansard – 237, Session 1 | Parliament 41, Monday, April 22, 2013 @ 2:50:00 PM, ORAL QUESTIONS.