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Senate Education and Employment Legislation Committee
Budget Estimates 2017-18
Wednesday, 31 May 2017
Daily summary

Here is the summary of today's proceedings in Education and Employment Committee Estimates.

The committee met from 9.01am until 11.00pm.

The committee called agencies and the department from the Education portfolio, including:

- Australian Research Council;
- Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency; and
- Australian Skills Quality Authority.

Areas of interest covered today included:

- impact of changes to the 457 visa class on university chancellors and academics;
- cases of collapsed Registered Training Organisations;
- changes to the HECS-HELP student loan repayment scheme;
- 2016-17 Australian National Audit Office investigation into alternative delivery pilots for apprenticeship training;
- administration of the Adult Migrant English Program;
- Skilling Australians Fund; and
- impact of efficiency dividends on universities.

The committee will next meet at 9.00am on Thursday 1 June 2017 in 2S3, calling agencies and the department of the Education portfolio, starting with the Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership.