

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2016 - 2017**

Outcome: Higher Education Research and International

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ17-000382

Senator Hanson-Young, Sarah provided in writing.

Higher Education Reform – further consultation

Question

"Will the following measures, raised in a discussion paper that was released alongside the Budget, make up those savings; Increasing student fees; allowing universities to set their own fees for some elite courses (flagships); requiring students to pay back their loans faster after graduating (\$45,000 a year rather than current \$54,126); recovering HECS debts from deceased estates; and retaining a 20 per cent cut to university course funding."

Answer

Refer to SQ17-000380.

The Australian Government is continuing to consult on higher education reforms and it will be for the Government to determine the form of such reforms.