

**Senate Committee: Education and Employment**

**QUESTION ON NOTICE**

**Supplementary Budget Estimates 2016 - 2017**

**Outcome: Early Childhood and Child Care**

**Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-001161**

Senator Collins, Jacinta provided in writing

***Family Tax Benefit Savings***

**Question**

Will the Senate need to pass the Family Tax Benefit Savings before the Child Care Bill will be progressed in the Parliament? If the Government is unsuccessful in getting Family Tax Benefit through the Senate, will the child care changes be delayed or put on hold indefinitely?

**Answer**

The Australian Government has stated that savings from the family payment reforms contained within the Social Services Legislation Amendment (Family Payments Structural Reform and Participation Measures) Bill 2016 are required to fund the additional investment that the Government is making in child care and early childhood education through the *Jobs for Families* Child Care Package.