

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON
EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES 2008-09**

Outcome 1

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Senator Payne asked on 25 February 2009, EEWL Hansard page 37

Question

Child Care Industry Taskforce Questions on ABC Learning

"Mr Manthorpe—Verification by PPB. One of the things we have PPB doing for us is making sure that whatever we pay to the first receiver stacks up.

Senator PAYNE—Is that \$10,125,660 itemised?

Mr Manthorpe—I do not have any breakdown of it here. I know that a portion of it met the receiver's costs. In fact, I would have to take on notice—that is, the receiver's costs versus the amount that is the loss making centres.

Senator PAYNE—If you come back to us on notice, that would be helpful."

Answer

- The Receiver has claimed \$14,125,660. This is made up of :
 - \$12,920,632 is attributed to loss making centres (approx 91%); and
 - \$1,205,028 for related Receiver's costs and fees (approx 9%).
- Of this claim, \$10,125,660 has been paid as in accordance with the agreement
- \$4,000,000 is being withheld pending verification of all of the funding payable.