Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace Relations

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Supplementary Budget Estimates 2011-2012

Agency - Australian Building and Construction Commission

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Question

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Senator CAMERON: Can you provide me with details of the educational qualifications of people who you rely on to provide you with advice on the education process within the industry? Mr Ronson: Yes. It is a new function and there is currently some recruitment ongoing. But I will provide that information to you.

Answer

The Office of the Australian Building and Construction Commissioner has provided the following response:

34 staff completed a Certificate IV in Government Investigations and 14 are still completing the course requirements.

Two staff completed the Certificate IV in Workplace Training and Assessment. The ABC Commissioner also holds this qualification.

As part of the Certificate IV in Government Investigations staff undertake a two week face to face training package, and are required to complete a competency log book over a period of 12 months.

Units in the log book that relate to education include:

- Encourage compliance with legislation in the public sector (to satisfy this staff must demonstrate that have assisted others to comply with legislative requirements);
- Implement workplace safety procedures and programs (to satisfy this staff must demonstrate that they have provided workplace safety information to the workgroup) this is an elective unit; and
- Promote client compliance (to satisfy this staff must demonstrate that they have advised and assisted clients to comply with legislation and have implemented communication strategies to improve compliance).