Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace Relations

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Question

Overpaying salaries

Senator MASON: Are there any issues with DEEWR overpaying salaries in the last two financial years? Mr Storen: Undoubtedly, with over 6,000 employees, there would be instances of that occurring, and there are processes in place for recovery. We can collect that information for you.

Answer

For the financial year 2009-10, the department identified 129 salary overpayments.

For the financial year 2010-11, the department identified 187 salary overpayments.