Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment - Education

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Senator Carr provided in writing.

Question Organisational chart and structure of the Department

Can you confirm that the organisational chart on your website is up to date and reflects the current structure of the department? If not, what are the changes that are not reflected in that chart? If there have been changes since the election can you detail exactly those changes. Please explain which areas of the department report to which Minister or Parliamentary Secretary.

Answer

The Department of Education was created on 18 September 2013 as a result of Machinery of Government changes following the federal election. An interim organisational chart was provided on request to the Senate Committee on 15 November 2013. The chart illustrated the initial structure of the department and Senior Executive Service employees' responsibilities at that time.

The chart remains an interim document with the final structure of the department not yet settled. It will be loaded onto the department's Internet site once the structure has been finalised.

Changes to the organisational chart since the election reflect the Machinery of Government changes and the responsibilities of the new Department of Education. For specific changes please see attached for the last organisational chart for the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations and the interim chart provided to the Senate Committee.

ED0155_14 refers to ministerial responsibilities.