

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2013-2014**

Outcome 1 - Early Childhood Education and Child Care

Department of Education Question No. ED0149_14

Senator Xenophon provided in writing.

Question

National Quality Framework

What is the department's position on the National Quality Framework and its impact on the cost of childcare?

Answer

As a Council of Australian Governments (COAG) initiative the Department of Education is facilitating the implementation of the National Quality Framework, through participation in various working groups of COAG and the Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority.