Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Supplementary Budget Estimates 2013-2014

Outcome 1 - Early Childhood Education and Child Care

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Question

Cost increases in regards to the NQF

CHAIR: Was any work done on linking those two things together—the expected cost increase on childcare providers, sector by sector; and the flow-on effect to increased costs for parents? Mr De Silva: I would need to take that on notice. I think it looked at the expected costs by sector, but I would need to check whether it then linked that to out-of-pocket costs.

Answer

Modelling on the estimated out of pocket costs to families was only linked for long day care service types. This is set out in the Regulation Impact Statement for Early Childhood Education and Care Quality Reforms (COAG Decision RIS), (December 2009) found at www.coag.gov.au/node/202