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Impact of the 2014 and 2015 Commonwealth Budget decisions on the Arts

To the Committee

I would like to amend an error in the last paragraph of my introduction (page 18) where I incorrectly stated that 'tertiary training in the arts is non-existent'.

I would also like to amend a comment made on the following page where I stated that the Tasmanian Early Years Foundation 'has been defunded'. The corrections are in italics below. I have also highlighted these areas on the two pages attached. I apologise for these errors and any inconvenience these changes may cause. Please let me know if you require further information,

Yours Sincerely

Ellie Ray

P 18 (statement)

Dr Ray: 'An important outcome of these partnerships is the sharing of knowledge, which helps raise the bar in the north-west region, where tertiary training in the arts is limited to a small group of dedicated teachers at TAFE in Devonport. These partnerships are also a result of recognition and backing from professionals in their field, such as the qualified staff and panel members selected to work with the Australia Council for the Arts.

P 19 (response to Senator Bilyk)

Dr Ray: It is not only in the visual arts. We work with musicians, performers, and obviously other organisations such as the Tasmanian Early Years Foundation, whose board was recently defunded.