

**Economics Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
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**AGENCY/DEPARTMENT:** DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY

**TOPIC:** Funding for training programmes for Ford workers

**REFERENCE:** Question on Notice (Hansard, 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2014, page 98)

**QUESTION No.:** SI-45

**Senator KIM CARR:** How much was reduced from the training program for Ford workers in the last budget?

**Ms White:** None of the Ford money has been impacted by the budget decision.

**Senator KIM CARR:** None of that? How much money was affected by the last budget in regard to Ford workers? Not your program, other programs in the budget.

**Ms White:** I am not across that, I am sorry.

**Senator KIM CARR:** Perhaps we will take that on notice.

**Mr Lalor:** Yes.

**ANSWER**

There was no reduction to the training programme for Ford workers in the 2014 Federal Budget.

- A total \$5.250 million was committed in 2013-14 through the National Workforce Development Fund to support workers impacted by the announcement of Ford Motors Australia to close their manufacturing operations in Australia by 2016.
- In the 2014 Federal Budget the Government announced that the National Workforce Development Fund (NWDF) would close on 31 December 2014 and all existing commitments would be honoured.