

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2014 - 2015**

Outcome: Cross Portfolio - Corporate

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ15-000052

Senator Carr, Kim asked on 25 February 2015, Hansard page 27.

Also refer to previous Question No. ED0543_15 and ED0286_14

Grant program

Question

Senator KIM CARR: Question on notice ED0543_15 is one where we sought advice on financial budget committed project funding. It was not answered in its entirety. Can the department complete an Excel spreadsheet, that I provided to the secretariat, regarding budget and actual spends for the program from each year 2011-12 to 2013-14 and budget and committed contractual spending by program each year 2014-15 to 2017-18? That is material I have had in the past from you.

Ms Paul: Is it? I will take that on notice. I am happy to have a look at it.

Senator KIM CARR: Would it be possible to get that spreadsheet completed by the dinner break this evening?

Ms Paul: I would doubt that very much indeed.

Senator KIM CARR: You doubt that?

Ms Paul: I doubt it. Not over all those years and everything, but I am happy to take it on notice.

Senator KIM CARR: What happens, Ms Paul, when we have long delays is that I get anxious about questions being taken on notice and not answered.

Ms Paul: We have answered everything, but this is a really complex thing you are seeking. We will do it as quickly as we can.

Senator KIM CARR: You have done it before, and I think the finance people know the format. It is not a particularly difficult task to undertake.

Ms Paul: We are happy to do it as quickly as we possibly can.

Answer

Detail of budget, committed and non-committed funding for the 2014-15 to 2017-18 financial years for discretionary grant programmes currently administered by the department is at Attachment A.

Details on the previous budget and actual spends for the 2011-12 to 2013-14 financial years, where these were administered by the department, are provided at Attachment B.