

**Senate Committee: Education and Employment**

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

**Outcome: Skills and Training**

**Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ15-000127**

Senator Carr, Kim provided in writing.

***VET Advisory Board***

**Question**

- "1. The VET Advisory Board are tasked with providing advice to the Minister – how has this been occurring?
2. Which issues have they provided advice on?
3. What is the nature of that advice?"

**Answer**

1. The Board was established to provide advice directly from industry to the Government and strengthen the links between industry and the skills sector, simplify governance arrangements and provide direct industry input into key policy decisions. The Board has held formal meetings, out of session meetings and informal discussions with the Minister. Members of the Board facilitated national face-to-face consultations on VET Reform during January and February 2015.
2. The Board has discussed a range of issues relating to improving the quality of training and ensuring that it delivers real skills for work.
3. See above.