

**Senate Committee: Education and Employment**

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

**Outcome: Schools and Youth**

**Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ15-000211**

Senator Lines, Sue provided in writing.

***States and territories on track to comply with s34 of the Australian Education Regulation***

**Question**

Is the Department aware if all states and territories are on track to comply with s34 of the Australian Education Regulation? Does the Department have any information that would suggest one or more states or territories might not be in a position to comply with this requirement? Or might not have spent or committed all federal money in the way that is required by the Act and the Regulation? Do you know if there are any plans to delay the date that this certificate would be required by under s34 of the Regulation? Has the Department been asked to provide a brief to the Minister on this matter?

**Answer**

The department is not aware of any state or territory that may not be in a position to comply with the requirements set out in section 34 of the Regulation, including the requirement to have spent or have committed to spend all federal money in the way that is required by the *Australian Education Act 2013* and the Regulation.

There are no plans to delay the date approved authorities have to provide a financial report under section 34 of the Regulation.

The department has not briefed the Minister on the compliance of states and territories with the requirements set out in section 34 of the Regulation.