

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016**

Outcome: Early Childhood and Child Care

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000082

Senator Lines, Sue asked on 10 February 2016, Proof Hansard page 145

Special childcare benefit

Question

Senator LINES: Good. So for each category of special childcare benefit that is moving across to become the additional childcare subsidy—

Ms J Wilson: Are you talking about financial hardship and kids at risk?

Senator LINES: Yes—the special childcare benefit. What is the increase or decrease in cost?

Ms J Wilson: We will have to take that on notice.

Answer

Special Child Care Benefit (SCCB) is a component of Child Care Benefit (CCB) and included in the overall CCB estimates; it is not modelled or reported separately. The Additional Child Care Subsidy is a top-up payment after the application of Child Care Subsidy and there is no direct correlation between the funding allocations.