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VET Ombudsman

Question

What steps has the Government taken to create the new VET Ombudsman?

Answer

When the States and Territories referred power to the Commonwealth in 2009 for national regulation of VET, consumer protection powers were not included in the referral.

In this context, the Department of Education and Training is considering the feasibility of establishing a domestic national VET Ombudsman.