

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

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

Outcome: Agency: TEQSA

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000635

Senator Ludwig, Joe provided in writing

TEQSA: Departmental Staff Misconduct

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. Please provide a copy of the departmental staff code of conduct.
2. Have there been any identified breaches of this code of conduct by departmental staff?
 - (a) If yes, list the breaches identified, broken by staffing classification level.
 - (b) If yes, what remedy was put in place to manage the breach? If no remedy has been put in place, why not?
 - (c) If yes, when was the breach identified? By whom? When was the Minister made aware?
 - (d) If yes, were there any legal ramifications for the department or staff member? Please detail.

Answer

The Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency has provided the following response.

1. TEQSA applies the Australian Public Service (APS) Code of Conduct to its staff.

The APS Code of Conduct is set out in section 13 of the *Public Service Act 1999*.

2. No.