Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

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Question

Enterprise agreement costings

Senator CAMERON: Have you done a costing on the agreement? Ms Kidd: Yes, we did a costing on the affordability of the agreement. Senator CAMERON: Could you provide details on the costings?

Ms Kidd: Yes, my colleague might have those. We had to demonstrate that the agreement would be affordable within the departmental budget, and we demonstrated that. I just do not have with me the actual costing. I think we will get it for you shortly.

Senator CAMERON: You said that your colleague might be able to help. There are lots of big folders behind you.

Ms Kidd: No, we will take that one on notice.

Answer

The anticipated cost of the wage increases of the Department's new enterprise agreement is \$27.2 million over three years.