

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

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Outcome 2 - Workplace Relations and Economic Strategy

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Question

Redaction of information in Royal Commission report

Senator LINES: Will it be redacted for just some people or for all people?

Senator Cash: All people.

Senator LINES: Again, why did you not include that condition in the letter to the crossbenchers?

Senator Cash: Because, when I had originally spoken with the crossbenchers, I had indicated it would not be redacted. Once we had agreed to widen the scope of those people that we were going to offer the opportunity to have a look at it, we determined that it would be far more prudent to redact it. So a decision was made to redact it, and I advised all the crossbenchers of that. Two of them, I believe, may have viewed it already and had no issues at all with that. I would have to go and check about Senator Lambie. But they had no issues with it.

Answer

The Minister has advised that Senator Lambie accessed the redacted version of the confidential volumes.