

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2016 - 2017**

Outcome: Skills and Training

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ17-000176

Senator Cameron, Doug provided in writing.

Industry Skills Fund (compliance)

Question

How many ISF grant recipients were found to be non-compliant?
Where non-compliance was found what were the grounds for the non-compliance?
What remedial action was taken where non-compliance was found?

Answer

A total of 12 grant recipients have been found to be non-compliant. Reasons for non-compliance included not submitting a final project report and being unresponsive to departmental requests, non-completion of training, insufficient evidence of payment, and the grantee entering administration.

Arrangements with 11 of these grant recipients have been terminated and the remaining one is currently under review.

Of the 11 grants that have been terminated, in seven cases the non-compliance was detected before any monies were paid by the Australian Government. A recovery is currently being sought from one grantee. Recovery is not being sought in the other three cases following legal advice.