

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
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Outcome: Skills and Training

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ17-000335

Senator Cameron, Doug provided in writing

VET student loans scheme - monitoring providers

Question

Has the Department come across any evidence that providers are moving existing students into courses that are approved under the new loans scheme, or offering new courses in order to attract subsidises? How will the Department monitor against this?

Answer

The Department of Education and Training is monitoring VET FEE-HELP grandfathering arrangements and any concerning behaviour is being investigated for breaches of compliance, which can also be taken into account in considering the provider's application to the full VET Student Loan program from 1 July 2017.

The department does not comment on ongoing compliance actions.