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Ms Julie Agostino Committee Secretary Senate Education and Employment Committees PO Box 6100 CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Ms Agostino

Question on Notice - Budget Estimates 2014-15

I write regarding the Department of Education's Senate Question on Notice response to ED0097_15 which was tabled with the Committee on 23 July 2014.

As advised via email on 25 July 2014, the version tabled required amendment. It appears that text from the penultimate version of the response was inadvertently retained in the version that was tabled. The corrected version was provided on 25 July and is provided again with this letter.

I would be grateful if you could arrange for the corrected version to be provided to Senators and loaded on to the web site as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

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Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment - Education

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Budget Estimates 2014-2015

Outcome 1 - Early Childhood Education and Care

Department of Education Question No. ED0097_15

Senator Hanson-Young provided in writing.

Question

Jobs Education Training (JET) Child Care Fee Assistance

1. How many families are estimated to be impacted by this measure over the forward estimates? 2. Isn't it true that many parents on income support would be working a casual job while studying for more than three days a week? How have these changes been justified in light of this? What impact will these changes have on parents working and studying? What impacts will these changes have on children?

Answer

- The impact of this measure will depend on the individual circumstances of JETCCFA recipients. In particular the measure provides an incentive for JETCCFA recipients to structure their child care needs and/or study to be within the limits introduced by the measure and they will not be adversely impacted if they do this.
- 2. The 36 hour per week limit only applies to JETCCFA recipients undertaking study. JETCCFA recipients who are working or undertaking work related training will still be able to access JETCCFA for more than 36 hours per week. This also applies to recipients who are combining study and work commitments.