

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
Budget Estimates 2015 - 2016**

Outcome: Cross Portfolio - Corporate

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ15-000264

Senator O'Neill, Deborah asked on 04 June 2015, Proof Hansard page 23

Budget cuts

Question

Senator O'NEILL: There were media reports prior to the budget that the Department of Education would be forced to find \$131 million worth of savings. Where in the budget papers can I find the impact of this measure?

Mr Cook: In budget paper 2, on page 79. As against committee reports, the budget details are in the budget papers.

Mr Griew: There is a measure headed 'Smaller Government—Education and Training Portfolio'

Senator O'NEILL: These cuts were determined as a result of what?

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Mr Cook: I do not have the breakdown on me of the actual dollar amount for each of those three components of the \$131 million, so I am happy to take that on notice if required

Answer

The reductions were determined as a result of the Government's consideration of the 2015-16 Budget.