

**Senate Committee: Education and Employment**

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

**Outcome: Schools and Youth**

**Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ15-000413**

Senator Wright, Penny asked on 04 June 2015, Proof Hansard page 140

***P-TECH news article***

**Question**

Senator Ryan: If I could add a couple of things. There has been some news coverage. There has been a substantial rollout of these in America in a relatively short number of years. I think a media report I saw earlier in the week talked about a very low-income group of kids who were graduating early and going into jobs with—

Senator WRIGHT: Sorry, just to interrupt you, you are referring to a news article that I have not seen. Have you got that there for us to have a look at?

Senator Ryan: No, this has got my notes all over it. We can take giving you a copy on notice.

CHAIR: You might actually like to tell the secretary the date so she can actually print it off for the senator.

Senator Ryan: I will take on notice to provide you with the article.

Senator WRIGHT: That would be good. That is what we have to do when we refer to—

Senator Ryan: But you are asking questions and I am answering them. There is a difference. If you are asking me about something you have got in your hand, you actually have to show it to me. I am giving you what I have and we will give you a copy on notice. It has been rolled out. There are 27 other schools that have started across New York, Connecticut and Illinois, and you have got governors in other states—such as Colorado—doing their best to bring the model there. To a certain extent, the increasing use of them is an indicator of some success.

**Answer**

The link to the news article 'Proving P-TECH Success: Students Graduate with Diploma and Tech Degree' is provided below:

[www.usnews.com/news/stem-solutions/articles/2015/06/02/proving-p-tech-success-students-graduate-with-diploma-and-tech-degree](http://www.usnews.com/news/stem-solutions/articles/2015/06/02/proving-p-tech-success-students-graduate-with-diploma-and-tech-degree).