Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Budget Estimates 2015 - 2016

Outcome 1 - Employment

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Question

Restart - Underspend

Where will any underspend in the allocated funding? If yes where will it be re-directed to?

Answer

Changes to the Government's wage subsidy programmes were announced in the 2015–16 Budget as part of the Growing Jobs and Small Business package. All funding for each wage subsidy, including Restart, is being consolidated into a \$1.2 billion demand driven national pool from 1 July 2015.