

**Senate Committee: Education and Employment**

**QUESTION ON NOTICE  
Budget Estimates 2017 - 2018**

**Outcome: Skills and Training**

**Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ17-000615**

Senator Cameron, Doug asked on 31 May 2017, Proof Hansard page 97

***Contract negotiations and notional budgets***

**Question**

Senator CAMERON: Concern has been raised by some providers who were asked to sign deeds and work orders without knowing what the notional budgets would be. Did this occur?

Mr Morling: Again, I will have to take that on notice. My understanding was that we did contract negotiations and notional budgets were done. We have had to look at the SEE notional budget again. But to get the right sequence for you, I will take that on notice.

Senator CAMERON: Have all providers now been given their budgets?

Mr Morling: Yes, they have.

Senator CAMERON: Can you provide details of that?

Mr Morling: I will take that on notice.

**Answer**

All potential providers were advised during contract negotiations that notional budgets would be provided shortly after deeds were signed. All providers have now received their 2017–18 notional budget.