

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

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

Outcome: Skills and Training

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ17-000729

Senator Griff, Stirling provided in writing.

Consultants

Question

- Please advise of the reasons providers were rejected and provide a breakdown of the number of unsuccessful applicants against these criteria nationally, and for SA.
- Are consultants brought in to assist with assessing these criteria?
 - If yes, who does the department use to assess financial performance? Are these consultants used nationally? If not, who is used in SA?

Answer

- Refer to SQ17-000595.
- Yes, consultants are used to assist the assessment of financial performance.
 - McGrathNicol Advisory was engaged by the Department of Education and Training to assess the financial performance requirement for all valid applications, including those from South Australia.