

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2013-2014**

Cross Portfolio

Department of Education Question No. ED0110_14

Senator Ludwig provided in writing.

**Question
Commissioned Reports**

a) Since 7 September 2013, how many Reports have been commissioned by the Government in your department/agency? Please provide details of each report including date commissioned, date report handed to Government, date of public release, Terms of Reference and Committee members. b) How much did each report cost/or is estimated to cost? How many departmental staff were involved in each report and at what level? c) What is the current status of each report? When is the Government intending to respond to these reports?

Answer

One report has been commissioned by the Government. Details of the report are at [Attachment A](#).

Attachment A

Name of Report	Details of report including date commissioned, date report handed to Government, date of public release, Terms of Reference and Committee members.	Cost/ estimate cost of the report	What is the current status of the report?	When is the Government intending to respond to these reports?
Ministerial Review of Early Years Quality Fund	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Date commissioned - 10 October 2013 • Date report handed to Government - 13 November 2013 • Date of public release - 10 December 2013 • Terms of Reference - The Review should consider: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The process by which the EYQF was established, including legislative and governance arrangements; ○ The experience of the early childhood education and care sector, including representatives of the EYQF Advisory Board regarding EYQF implementation processes; ○ The submissions made to the inquiries into the Early Years Quality Fund Special Account Bill 2013 conducted by the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Education and Employment and the Senate Committee on Education, Employment and Workplace Relations; and 	\$112,000 (GST exclusive)	The report is under consideration by the Government.	The timing of any response to the report is a matter for Government.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Departmental processes and documentation, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Program Guidelines for the EYQF ▪ The application and assessment process, and ▪ Communication with the sector or stakeholders regarding the EYQF. ● Committee Members – there are no committee members. 			