

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

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

Cross Portfolio

Department of Education Question No. ED0120_14

Senator Ludwig provided in writing.

Question

Departmental Senate Estimates briefing

- 1) How many officers were responsible for preparing the Minister's briefing pack for the purposes of senate estimates?
- 2) How many officer hours were spent on preparing that information?
 - a) Please break down the hours by officer APS classification.
- 3) Were drafts shown to the Minister or their office before senate estimates?
 - a) If so, when did this occur?
 - b) How many versions of this information were shown to the minister or their office?
- 4) Did the minister or their office make any contributions, edits or suggestions for departmental changes to this information?
 - a) If so, when did this occur?
 - b) What officer hours were spent on making these edits? Please break down the hours by officer APS classification.
 - c) When were the changes made?

Answer

The department routinely prepares Senate Estimates briefing material for its Ministers. The specific detail requested is not readily available and would require an unreasonable diversion of resources to provide.