

## **Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment**

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

#### **Outcome 2 - Schools and Youth**

**Department of Education Question No. ED0160\_14**

**Senator Carr asked on 20 November 2013, Hansard page 14**

#### **Question**

#### **Standing Council on School Education and Early Childhood (SCSEEC) meeting agenda**

Senator KIM CARR: Has there been consultation with the states about the agenda for the meeting? Ms Paul: Yes, there has been. Senator KIM CARR: Will this issue of the implementation of the government's election commitments be on that agenda? Ms Paul: That is a matter for ministers. Senator KIM CARR: Have you had a response from the states in regard to the withdrawal of data reporting and compliance functions? Ms Paul: I am not sure we have seen representations on that. I do not know. We might have to take that on notice. In terms of ministerial representations, letters from ministers and so on, I am not sure. I do not think we have received them but we can check. Mr Cook: From an official's perspective, from my perspective, I have had no contact from states and territories about the matter. Senator KIM CARR: Have you had any representations on the budget cuts? Ms Paul: Not that I am aware of.

#### **Answer**

The department has not received any representations from state and territory education ministers in relation to the withdrawal of data reporting and compliance functions.

The implications of the transfer and timing of when these functions will move will be worked through by the department, the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority and affected stakeholders, including states and territories.