Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Supplementary Budget Estimates 2014-2015

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Question

CPM Review

Senator CAMERON: Obviously, there was a report provided to the department. Can that report be tabled? Ms Leon: I will take it on notice. There may well be material that needs to be redacted because it goes to particular people. I would also need to consider whether there is material that reveals the investigative capability of the department that I would not necessarily want to put into the public domain. But I am happy to take that on notice.

Answer

As foreshadowed during the estimate hearings, disclosure of the report would amount to an unreasonable invasion of personal privacy, interfere with appropriate consultation processes and may prejudice the methods for investigating such matters in the future. In addition, given the redactions that would be required to remove that material, it would not be reasonably practicable to prepare an edited version of the report.