# Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

# QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Supplementary Budget Estimates 2016 - 2017

## **Outcome 1 - Employment**

## Department of Employment Question No. EMSQ16-001014

## Senator Marshall provided in writing.

Relates to previous Employment Question No. EMSQ16-000778

### Question

### Youth Jobs PaTH - transition to full time work

At previous Estimates hearings, the Department advised it has taken into account previous reviews of similar overseas internship programs, notably the National Youth Council of Ireland's review of Ireland's program. The NYCI found only 27% of interns were placed into full time jobs after their internships. Will the Australian program have a higher hiring rate? What is the government hiring target for PaTH?

### Answer

The National Youth Council of Ireland's review of JobBridge survey only included 84 JobBridge participants.

The 2013 Indecon Evaluation surveyed 2,364 JobBridge participants, and found that 61 per cent who had completed their internship more than five months ago were in employment.

Evidence shows that job seekers who undertake work experience are more likely to find employment than those that do not.