Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Supplementary Budget Estimates 2016 - 2017

Outcome 1 - Employment

Department of Employment Question No. EMSQ16-001066

Senator Marshall provided in writing

Question

Wage Subsidies - Parent

• How many Parent Wage Subsidies have been claimed in the last 12 months?

• What was the total value of the Parent Wage Subsidy claims in the last 12 months?

• What was the forecasted expenditure of Parent Wage Subsidy claims for the last 12 months?

• What was the target for the number of Parent Wage Subsidies for the last 12 months?

Answer

In the 12 months to 1 September 2016, 2,094 Parent Wage Subsidy agreements were made, with 2,696 job seekers forecast to take up a Parent Wage Subsidy and reach the first payment milestone over the same period. Claims totaling \$655,080 were paid in the 12 months to 1 September 2016, while the forecast for expenditure over the same period was \$6,517,646.