

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2009-2010**

Cross Portfolio

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Senator Barnett provided in writing.

Question

REVIEWS

What is the total number of Reviews both completed and ongoing in the portfolio/agency or affecting the portfolio agency since November 2007? What is the estimated cost of these Reviews? What further reviews are planned for 2009 -10 FY?

Answer

There have been 63 reviews in or affecting the portfolio since November 2007, at an approximate direct cost of \$15.2 million (as at 18 March 2010). Some reviews have not yet concluded and as such an approximate cost has been used where possible.

For details of the current reviews, please refer to EW0851_10.

There are 3 further reviews planned for 2009-10:

- Review of "Literacy and Numeracy Pilots in Low SES Communities"
- Independent review of the job seeker compliance framework
- Review of the effectiveness of measures to improve higher education access and outcomes for Indigenous Australians