

**Senate Committee: Red Tape Committee**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**The effect of red tape on private education**

**9 October 2018**

**Department of Education and Training**

Senator Stirling Griff asked on 9 October 2018, Proof Hansard page 40

**Question 1**

**Senator GRIFF:** How many RTOs have lost their registration in relation to compliance breaches since the VSL system was put in place from January last year?

**Mr Buker:** RTOs in the VET sector?

**Ms Hewlett:** As to how many of the VET student loans providers have lost their registration—

**Senator GRIFF:** Since the system changed.

**Ms Hewlett:** Again, I can get you that accurate number, because ASQA regulates those RTOs, but I think it's a relatively small number, if any at all. Of the approximately 4½ half thousand RTOs only about 180 are approved to provide VET student loans, and they have just recently come into the scheme. They are high-quality RTOs that have been given the opportunity to offer those student loans. RTOs have been deregistered in that 4½ thousand, but I don't have data on the subset of VET student loans.

**Senator GRIFF:** On notice it'd be worth getting that.

**Answer**

As at 18 October 2018, there have been no revocations of approval to be a VET Student Loans provider for compliance breaches.