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**Attorney-General's Department**

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Committee Secretary  
Senate Education and Employment Committees  
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Parliament House  
Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Committee Secretary

**Clarification to Hansard – Budget Estimates hearing on 1 June 2021**

I am writing to provide clarifications to evidence given to the Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment during the Budget Estimates hearing on 1 June 2021.

On page 88 of the transcript, in response to a question from Senator Sheldon regarding part-time workers that want more hours, Mr Martin Hehir said:

**Mr Hehir:** The 25 per cent is the part-time sector who would like some more hours. The majority of them want between one and five additional hours, so it's not a big amount. The 7.3 per cent figure that I gave earlier was the people who want to work full-time who are currently part-time. In terms of the aged-care sector, I'm not across the detail of those surveys.

The Attorney-General's Department would like to clarify that while, according to the latest data available at the time of senate estimates which was as at February 2020, around 25 per cent of part-time workers wanted more hours, 'the majority of them want between one and *ten* additional hours.'

Please contact Adrian Breen on [REDACTED] should further information be required.

Yours sincerely



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