



The Secretary
Education and Employment Legislation Committee
Parliament House
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Corrections to Evidence – Supplementary Budget Estimates 6 November 2024

I am writing in relation to evidence given the Education and Employment Senate Estimates Legislation Committee at the Supplementary Budget Estimates hearing held on 6 November 2024.

On behalf of the Department of Employment and Workplace Relations and associated portfolio entities, clarification to the evidence provided to the Committee at these hearings is included as Attachment A.

Yours sincerely

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Corrections to Evidence from 2024–25 Supplementary Budget Estimates hearing 6 November 2024

Witness Name: Jody Anderson

Date: Wednesday 6 November 2024

Hansard Reference: Page 50

Evidence Correction: Number of labour hire orders

The Hansard states:

In terms of what was called 'closing the labour hire loophole', the department is aware that **50 applications** for regulated labour hire arrangement orders have been made.

The corrected statement is:

In terms of what was called 'closing the labour hire loophole', the department is aware that **at least 50 applications** for regulated labour hire arrangement orders have been made.

Witness Name: David Cains

Date: Wednesday 6 November 2024

Hansard Reference: Page 50

Evidence Correction: Number of labour hire orders

The Hansard states: We're aware that **50 applications** have been made.

The corrected statement is: We're aware that **at least 50 applications** have been made.

Witness Name: Jody Anderson

Date: Wednesday 6 November 2024

Hansard Reference: Page 51

Evidence Correction: Number of workers covered under agreement

The Hansard states: There was an order that was made covering WorkPac employees at the Batchfire Callide mine in Queensland. That particular order, reportedly, **covers 350 workers**, and that resulted in an increase of around \$10,000 to \$20,000 per year for those labour hire employees.

The corrected statement is: There was an order that was made covering WorkPac employees at the Batchfire Callide mine in Queensland. That particular order, reportedly, **covers 324 workers**, and that resulted in an increase of around \$10,000 to \$20,000 per year for those labour hire employees.

Witness Name: Tania Rishniw

Date: Wednesday, 6 November 2024

Hansard Reference: Pg 58

Evidence Correction: On the topic of the provider performance framework and reference to evidence Mr Alistair Beasley can provide

The Hansard states:

'Once again, that goes to the performance framework more broadly, and Mr Campbell can speak to the particular measures and how they're calculated and arrived at. The annual licence review doesn't apply any particular weightings to criteria, and it assesses a whole range of things. If you're referring to the letter to providers, I'm assuming that you're looking at a letter I had dated on 11 October.'

The corrected statement is:

'Once again, that goes to the performance framework more broadly, and Mr Beasley can speak to the particular measures and how they're calculated and arrived at. The annual licence review doesn't apply any particular weightings to criteria, and it assesses a whole range of things. If you're referring to the letter to providers, I'm assuming that you're looking at a letter I had dated on 11 October.'

Witness Name: Alistair Beasley

Date: Wednesday, 6 November 2024

Hansard Reference: Page 58

Evidence Correction: On the topic concerning the licence review and provider performance.

The Hansard states:

'The way the framework works is that, as we've said, there are 14 measures; there are five modules overall, under which those 14 sit. Which measure was your specific question to?'

The corrected statement is:

'The way the framework works is that, as we've said, there are 14 measures, including 2 sub-measures; there are five modules overall, under which those 14, including 2 sub-measures, sit. Which measure was your specific question to?'

Witness Name: Alistair Beasley

Date: Wednesday, 6 November 2024

Hansard Reference: Page 58

Evidence Correction: On the topic concerning the licence review and provider performance – specifically the job search quality participant submeasure.

The Hansard states:

'If the provider received a low in that, it would not result in a low overall, because it sits with another sub-measure. You'd need a low in both to receive a low overall.'

The corrected statement is:

'If the provider received a low in that, it would not necessarily result in a low overall, because it sits with another sub-measure. You'd need a low in both sub-measures or a low and a moderate in either sub-measure to receive a low overall.'

Witness Name: Alistair Beasley

Date: Wednesday, 6 November 2024

Hansard Reference: Page 58

Evidence Correction: On the topic concerning the licence review and provider performance.

The Hansard states:

‘Again, if the provider received a low for the job search quality participant submeasure, they'd only receive a low overall if they'd also received a **low for** what we call **the tailoring servicing submeasure**—the points-based activation system **measure**.’

The corrected statement is:

‘Again, if the provider received a low for the job search quality participant sub-measure, they'd only receive a low overall, **for the Tailored Servicing measure**, if they'd also received a **low or a moderate for** what we call **the tailoring servicing submeasure**—the points-based activation system **sub-measure**. **These two sub-measures (Points Based Activation System and the Job Search Quality) determine the rating for the Tailored Servicing measure.**’

Witness Name: Tania Rishniw

Date: Wednesday, 6 November 2024

Hansard Reference: pg 60

Evidence Correction: On the topic of the annual licence review and reference to evidence provided by Mr Alistair Beasley

The Hansard states:

‘The annual licence review is taking into account some of what Mr **Campbell** has identified in terms of performance reviews but actually a broader suite of things. That includes the requirements of the Workforce Australia service deed of standing offer, the guidelines, the guarantee, what that organisation said they would do as part of their tender, and any other factors with a reasonable connection to the performance.’

The corrected statement is:

‘The annual licence review is taking into account some of what Mr **Beasley** has identified in terms of performance reviews but actually a broader suite of things. That includes the requirements of the Workforce Australia service deed of standing offer, the guidelines, the guarantee, what that organisation said they would do as part of their tender, and any other factors with a reasonable connection to the performance.’

Witness Name: Alistair Beasley

Date: Wednesday, 6 November 2024

Hansard Reference: Page 60

Evidence Correction: On the topic concerning the licence review and provider performance.

The Hansard states:

‘Again, in this particular instance, we had **14 measures**, and we had a number of measures that we had to work through and make sure we were comfortable with before we released that data. We certainly aim to do it in as timely a way as we can. As I said, it's supplemented by that monthly data that comes out.’

The corrected statement is:

'Again, in this particular instance, we had 14 measures, including 2 sub-measures, and we had a number of measures that we had to work through and make sure we were comfortable with before we released that data. We certainly aim to do it in as timely a way as we can. As I said, it's supplemented by that monthly data that comes out.'

Witness Name: Alistair Beasley**Date:** Wednesday, 6 November 2024**Hansard Reference:** Page 73**Evidence Correction:** On the topic of providers who have been put under a program assurance activity for payslip misconduct.**The Hansard states:**

'To my knowledge, since that time, we've had another instance of it occurring; we have had a provider where we've issued a formal notice to cease that conduct'.

The corrected statement is:

'To my knowledge, since that time, we've had four instances of it occurring; we have had a provider where we've issued a formal notice to cease that conduct'

Witness Name: Chris Enright**Date:** Wednesday 6 November 2024**Hansard Reference:** page 109**Evidence Correction:** Funds returned to the CFMEU Construction and General Division following request from administrator.**The Hansard states:**

Mr Enright: Yes. Just over \$3 million. I think it was \$3.5 million.

The corrected statement is:

Mr Enright: Yes. Just over \$3 million. I think it was \$3.15 million.

Witness Name: Kimberley McDonald**Date:** 6 November 2024**Hansard Reference:** P. 119.**Evidence Correction:** Regarding a review of Fee-Free TAFE**The Hansard states:** In terms of reporting, there will be an insights report, which states and territories will provide to the Commonwealth by the end of June next year. Then we will use that to inform an evaluation of the program.**The corrected statement is:** In terms of reporting, there will be an insights report, which states and territories will provide to the Commonwealth by the end of July next year. Then we will use that to inform an evaluation of the program.