

Senate Committee: Red Tape Committee

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

The effect of red tape on private education

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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.