Senate Committee: Education and Employment

QUESTION ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016

Outcome: Schools and Youth

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000066

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Release of NCCD Results

Question

Senator McKIM: Regarding disability, Minister, you have said that you would be happy for the NCC data to be released once the QA process has been completed, but it is owned by council not by you. I understand that is correct. Is there an out-of-session decision making process available to you, so you can advance what I am sure is your genuine desire to have that data released as soon as possible?

Senator Birmingham: There could be-

Senator McKIM: Can you take that on notice, and as part of that indicate whether you are prepared to utilise any out-of-session decision making process to advance your genuine desire to see this data released as soon as possible.

Senator Birmingham: I am happy to do so.

Answer

The protocols agreed for Education Council is that out of session briefing processes are generally used for noting material rather than asking Council to make a decision.

Where an out of session decision or action is required, processes are available to all Education Council members at the Chair's discretion.