

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016**

Outcome: Schools and Youth

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000099

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Examples of the state's substituting the Gonski/recurrent schools funding

Question

Are there any examples of the state's substituting the Gonski/recurrent schools funding for their own investment in schools, or failing to pass federal investment on to schools?

Answer

Each jurisdiction has the budget flexibility to allocate funds to implement agreed national policy initiatives.

All states and territories have certified that funds provided by the Commonwealth have been used for the purpose of providing school education and implementing national policy initiatives for school education in accordance with the *Australian Education Act 2013* and the *Australian Education Regulation 2013*.