Senate Committee: Education and Employment

QUESTION ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016

Outcome: Early Childhood and Child Care

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000156

Senator Lines, Sue provided in writing

Loss of multiple child loadings

Question

How many families will be worse off because of the loss of the multiple child loadings? How many two, three, four and five child families will be worse off because of the loss of this loading?

Answer

Families are assessed as better or worse off based on the overall net position across all children in a family in care. Not all children in a family are necessarily better or worse off compared to the current Child Care Benefit and Child Care Rebate arrangements as children within a family may be attending different care types with different fees, or may have different circumstances applying to them.