

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

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

Outcome: Skills and Training

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000625

Senator Carr, Kim provided in writing

Membership of Industry Reference Committees

Question

Has the membership of Industry Reference Committees been finalised?
If so, please provide details. If not, why not? Wasn't the new system supposed to be fully operational by 1 January 2016?

Answer

No, the Australian Government carried forward reference groups that operated under Industry Skills Councils, as Industry Reference Committees (IRCs) in the first instance.

In 2016, the Australian Industry and Skills Committee will review the scope and membership of each IRC to ensure appropriate industry representation and coverage.