Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2016 - 2017

Outcome 1 - Employment

Department of Employment Question No. EMSQ17-001956

Senator Marshall asked on 30 March 2017 on proof Hansard page 31

Question

Allocated Expenditure for Work for the Dole

Senator MARSHALL: What was the allocated expenditure for 2016-17? I am wondering whether that allocation has changed in MYEFO. Senator MARSHALL: The allocated expenditure for Work for the Dole in 2016-17, as at MYEFO, was \$189.3 million, so as at 2016-17 MYEFO. That is— Mr Hehir: Senator, I would need to check and see whether there is a technical adjustment based on take-up at MYEFO.

Answer

At Budget 2016–17, the forecast expenditure for Work for the Dole including Work for the Dole Coordinators was \$180 million in 2016–17.

At MYEFO 2016–17, the forecast expenditure for Work for the Dole, including Work for the Dole Coordinators was \$189.2 million in 2016–17.

This change is due to a higher number of Stream B and Stream A (Youth) job seekers reaching the Work for the Dole period than forecast at Budget 2016–17.