Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment - Education

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Budget Estimates 2014-2015

Cross Portfolio

Department of Education Question No. ED0144_15

Senator Ludwig provided in writing.

Question

Dept & all agencies: Lobbyist Register Meetings

1. List all interactions between the department/agency with any representative listed on the lobbyist register since Additional Estimates in February, 2014. List the participants in the meeting, the topic of the discussion, who arranged or requested the meeting, the location of the meeting 2. List all interactions between the Minister/parliamentary Secretary and/or their offices with any representative listed on the lobbyist register since Additional Estimates in February, 2014. List the participants in the meeting, the topic of the discussion, who arranged or requested the meeting, the location of the meeting

Answer

The department notes that the Lobbying Code of Conduct does not require government representatives to centrally document the information sought in relation to interactions with registered lobbyists. To attempt to provide this level of detail would involve an unreasonable diversion of resources for the department.