

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Outcome 1 - Employment

Department of Employment Question No. EM0850_15

Senator Cameron asked on 3 June 2014 on proof Hansard page 27

Question

Employment projections booklet sent to Treasury

Senator CAMERON: Did you ask any other question than, 'Have a look at the methodology. Tell us if this is okay to publish.'?

Ms Taylor: I do not know that we would say, 'Is it okay to publish?' but I will take on notice exactly the nature of our inquiry to Treasury. But it is a business as usual process that we go through around that fifth-year projection.

Senator CAMERON: So if you can table all documentation associated with this—that is the first document that went over, which is the 838,000 document: the unannotated document. Is that clear—that first document? So, in colloquial terms, Treasury ticked off?

Ms Taylor: On that fifth-year projection, as I understand.

Answer

Treasury was asked whether the employment projections calculated by the Department of Employment over the five years to November 2018 were consistent with the forecasts and projections published in the December 2013 Mid Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook. Treasury was not asked to endorse or approve the figure for publication.