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Question

Documents with Department relating to estimates of labour market growth

Senator CAMERON: Ms Taylor, can you provide me all the documents that relate to the estimates of the labour market growth rate within the department? Senator Abetz: All of them? Senator CAMERON: All documents, yes. Senator Abetz: For what years? Senator CAMERON: In this current year. I am not asking for a trawl across the decades. I am simply asking for all the documents in relation to the estimates of the labour market growth associated with the development of the 2014 labour market figures. Senator Abetz: We will take it on notice. Ms Taylor: Yes. Senator CAMERON: Just for clarification, the request I am asking is within the date range 1 February 2014 until 24 March 2014. It includes any documents which are emails, handwritten notes, summaries and drafts. Ms Taylor: Certainly. Senator CAMERON: Take that on notice.

Answer

There is a large number of Departmental documents relating to the 2014 estimates of the labour market growth rate within the date range 1 February to 24 March 2014. To provide this level of detail would involve an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.