

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
Budget Estimates 2017 - 2018**

Outcome: Skills and Training

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ17-000918

Senator Cameron, Doug provided in writing.

Skilling Australians Fund (Higher Level Apprentices)

Question

How many higher level apprenticeships will the Fund pay for? What industries and occupations will they be employed in?
Have employers in these industries been consulted with? If so, who has been consulted and what were the issues raised in those consultations?
Do you have commitments from employers to employer high apprentices? If so, how many employers and how many places?

Answer

Higher level apprenticeships have been identified as a priority of the Skilling Australians Fund.

The number of higher level apprenticeships that will be supported, and the industries and occupations they will be employed in, is dependent upon negotiations with states and territories. States and territories will be required to demonstrate engagement with industry and employers as part of their project proposals.