

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment - Education

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2014-2015**

Cross Portfolio

Department of Education Question No. ED0491_15

Senator Ludwig provided in writing.

Question

Dept & All Agencies: Sunset Provisions

Please list all current legislation, covered by the department's portfolio, which contain a sunset provision/s. For each, please provide:

- a) What work has been done towards preparing for the activation of sunset provisions? If no work has commenced, why not?
- b) Has any consideration been given to delaying or alerting the sunset provisions?
- c) Please provide a schedule or a workplan for the sunset provisions becoming active.
- d) When did/will this work begin?
- e) When is/was the review due to commence?
- f) What is the expected report date?
- g) Who is the minister responsible for the review?
- h) What department is responsible for the review?
- i) List the specific clauses or legislation under review caused by the statutory provision.
- j) List the terms of reference.
- k) What is the scope of the review?
- l) Who is conducting the review? How were they selected? What are the legislated obligations for the selection of the person to conduct the review?
- m) What is the budgeted, projected or expected costs of the review?
- n) When was the Minister briefed on this matter?
- o) What decision points are upcoming for the minister on this matter?
- p) List the number of officers, and their classification level, involved in conducting the review.
- q) Will the report will be tabled in parliament or made public? If so, when?

Answer

None of the Education portfolio's Acts of Parliament as listed in the current Administrative Arrangements Order contain any sunset provisions. There is a separate sunset regime under Part 6 of the *Legislative Instruments Act 2003*, which applies to all of the Commonwealth's legislative instruments.