

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment - Education

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

Outcome 2 - Schools and Youth

Department of Education Question No. ED0578_15

Senator Wright provided in writing.

Question

National School Chaplaincy Programme - consultation

1. In the periods leading up to the Federal Budget and again following the Williams II High Court decision – who did the Minister consult with about the National School Chaplaincy Program?
2. What correspondence and meetings has the Minister had with stakeholders about removing the option of secular welfare workers since coming to Government?
3. Did the Minister write, speak or meet the Australian Christian Lobby about the national chaplains program between September 7, 2013, and the announcement of the National School Chaplaincy Program?

Answer

The department does not collect this information. Questions about who the Minister consulted, corresponded or met with should be directed to the Minister.