

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment - Education

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

Outcome 3 - Higher Education, Reform & Support

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Question

NATSEM models

Ms Paul: Well, our work was done in the context of the budget. We probably do not need to repeat the evidence; we have given the evidence here. Senator KIM CARR: No, we do not. So I would ask you formally to table that model, those assumptions you have made. Ms Paul: I am happy to take that on notice. Senator KIM CARR: You can take that on notice

Answer

In the 2014-15 Budget, the Department estimated the effect of deregulated student contributions on the forward estimates of expenditure for the Higher Education Loan Programme (HELP). This modelling was not intended to be a prediction of any specific level of student contribution for a course or a particular institution in the deregulated market.