

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
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Modelling of alternative higher education reform proposals

Question

Senator KIM CARR: Did you model the proposals in regard to Chapman and Dawkins? You are saying to me you provided data, which they then did the modelling for. I want to know whether the department itself has undertaken any assessment of these proposals.

Ms Borthwick: Any assessment on proposals—

Senator KIM CARR: By Dawkins and Chapman.

Ms Borthwick: Yes. We have had a look at their work.

Senator KIM CARR: What is the form of that, that you looked at?

Ms Borthwick: I am not sure that we have any formal assessment or analysis of that work. We have talked to them and other interested stakeholders. We have talked to the minister and the minister's office about the results of that work. I do not recall offhand we briefed formally on any of it, but we can take that on notice.

Answer

The Department of Education and Training has considered the proposals developed by Professor Bruce Chapman and Professor Peter Dawkins.

The Minister has been briefed on this work.