

**Senate Committee: Education and Employment**

**QUESTION ON NOTICE**

**Supplementary Budget Estimates 2015 - 2016**

**Outcome: Agency: TEQSA**

**Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ15-000781**

Senator Carr, Kim provided in writing.

***TEQSA - SES staff***

**Question**

The Annual Report notes that TEQSA currently has no SES staff. What are the reasons for that? How many SES staff are stipulated as part of TEQSA's staffing establishment? How, currently, are senior management duties performed, and by whom? When does TEQSA plan to appoint SES staff?

**Answer**

The Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency (TEQSA) has provided the following response.

As part of TEQSA's business planning and organisation restructure, SES positions were deemed excess to requirements.

TEQSA's staffing establishment does not stipulate a number of SES staff.

A Senior Management Team, comprising of the CEO and Executive Level 2 staff perform senior management functions of the agency.

Future engagement of SES employees will consider such factors as:

- functions and responsibilities of each role
- assessment of the work value against the Australian public Service SES Work Level Standards.