

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2015 - 2016**

Outcome: Early Childhood and Child Care

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ15-001008

Senator Lines, Sue provided in writing.

Assessment of single parents

Question

How will single parents be assessed under the new activity test?

Answer

Single parents will be required to report the number of hours of eligible activity and their estimated adjusted taxable income to determine their level of entitlement to the Child Care Subsidy. A broad range of activities will meet the activity test requirements, including paid work, being self-employed, doing unpaid work in a family business, looking for work, volunteering or studying.