

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2016 - 2017**

Outcome: Skills and Training

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Senator Xenophon, Nick asked on 20 October 2016, Proof Hansard page 112

Investigation into the Bruce Hardwig Flying School

Question

Senator XENOPHON: So there was not a role for the department to say, 'There is something seriously wrong here, for this flying school to be getting taxpayers' funds through the VET loans'?

Ms Quagliata: We did check, and our understanding was—I have the detail written somewhere, but I do not have it right here—that CASA had in fact checked the school in I think it was 2014, and there had been—

Senator XENOPHON: What month in 2014?

Ms Quagliata: I will either take that on notice or I will have to—

Senator XENOPHON: Because the school changed ownership on 5 May 2014.

Answer

The Civil Aviation Safety Authority advises that it issued the following to the Bruce Hartwig Flying School:

- Air Operators Certificate (issued under Division 2 of Part III the *Civil Aviation Act 1988*) on 17 March 2015, which is required to operate aircraft
- Part 141 Certificate (issued under the related Regulations) on 18 August 2014, which sets out an organisational and operational framework for flying training organisations that provide flight training for recreational, private and commercial pilot licences, ratings and endorsements for single pilot aircraft.