

Economics Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education Portfolio
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AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND TERTIARY EDUCATION

TOPIC: Reviews

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Bushby

QUESTION No.: SI-148

For 2011-12:

- How many Reviews were undertaken?
- Where all reviews have, and for those that are still ongoing, when will those reviews be concluded?
- Which of these reviews has been provided to Government?
- Did the Government respond to all reviews within the timeframe? If not, why not?
- What was the estimated cost of each of these Reviews?
- For any ongoing reviews, when will each of these reviews be concluded?

ANSWER

Please refer to table 1 for information on reviews for the 2011-12 financial year.

Table 1

Review	Date review completed or expected to be concluded	Was the review provided to government?	Expected date of government response – was it in timeframe? If not why not	Estimated cost of the review \$	Ongoing Reviews and the conclusion Date
National Skills Standards Council (NSSC) Review of the National Standards for the Regulation of VET* *NSSC is an advisory body of SCOTese	Expected December 2013	Ongoing	NA	49,000 ¹	Expected December 2013
Refreshing the National Research Priorities	19 September 2012	Yes	By early 2013. No timeframe was set	0	NA
National Security College	August 2012	Yes	NA	90,000	NA
Higher Education Staff Data Collection Review	Expect completion mid 2013	Ongoing	2013	0	2013
Review of Venture Capital and Entrepreneurial Skills in Australia (a joint review with Treasury)	September 2012	Ongoing	1 st quarter 2013	0	None
Post Implementation Review of the VET FEE-HELP Assistance Scheme, Final Report, September 2011	September 2011	Yes	17 October 2011. Within timeframe.	\$137,736	NA

¹ This amount is for the period 1 June 2012 to 30 June 2012 and is not the total cost of the review.