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**SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Senator Carr asked on 14 February 2007, EWRE Hansard page 143.

Question:

Compliance Audits

Senator CARR— How many schools have been investigated or have been the subject of compliance audits? ... over the last three years.

Dr Bridge—The audits are done by the program area in this case. I do not have those figures to date, but we could possibly take that on notice.

Ms Brain—I can confirm that, in terms of the audits that are done on the schools, the sample size of schools is two per cent.

Senator CARR—In that two per cent audit that you have undertaken, how many examples have you found of breaches of the guidelines?

Answer:

Investigations

The Department's National Investigations Unit has investigated seven schools over the past three years (i.e. from 1 July 2003 to 28 February 2007).