

Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace Relations

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2011-2012**

Outcome 1 - Early Childhood Education and Child Care

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Senator Back asked on 16 February 2012, Hansard page 12

Long Day Care National Quality Framework Transitional Support One off Grant complaints regarding eligibility

Question

How many complaints did either the department receive directly or through the Ministers office from those who were unsuccessful in their \$5,000 grant?

Mr De Silva: I don't have any stats of any complaints that have come to the department, but I can double check and take that on notice. I don't think we have had any correspondence in relation to this, saying, 'I think I should get a grant.'

Answer

There were no complaints from unsuccessful Long Day Care Grant recipients as this program was eligibility based and services were not required to lodge applications.

21 inquiries regarding the eligibility criteria were received.