

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON
EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
BUDGET ESTIMATES 2009-10**

Outcome 1

DEEWR Question No. EW0315_10

Senator Payne asked on Wednesday 3 June 2009, EEWHR Hansard page 23.

Question

Comments in the media by the Chair of the Expert Advisory Panel

Senator PAYNE — Was the chair of the expert panel, Professor Elliott, reported correctly when she said, 'Quality care is expensive and someone's got to pay.'?

Ms Rundle — I can [not] comment on what she said. I saw the article myself and I do not know if what was reported was what she said.

Senator PAYNE — On notice, can you check for me whether that is an accurate report?

Answer

It is not the Department's role to verify comments made in the media.