

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Budget Estimates 2010-2011**

Outcome 1 - Early Childhood

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Senator Payne provided in writing.

Question

**NATIONAL QUALITY REFORM AGENDA FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD AND CHILD
CARE**

Is there any Budget allocation to improve parent subsidies to protect them against the increase in child care costs that will follow the implementation of the National Quality framework?

Answer

The Government will provide an additional \$130.4 million over four years under the Child Care Rebate to help support parents with the introduction of new national standards in child care as reported in the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations 2010/2011 budget papers.