

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

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

Outcome 2 - Schools

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Senator Mason asked on 2/06/2011, Hansard page 12.

Question

BER Variations

Senator MASON: Can you do this for me—on notice, I suspect—a list of all the projects, the 537. I do not want names of schools, just the overall numbers and the number of schools which never sought a variation; the number of schools which only sought one variation; how many of them have been successful and how many were rejected or withdrawn. Then, for the remainder of the schools: I would like to know how many variations they have sought; what the reason was for each variation sought; and the outcome was in each application for variation—rejected, withdrawn or approved. Mr Kovacic: We will take that on notice.

Answer

As at 30 June 2011:

- 155 schools have never sought a variation to their SLC project.
- 92 schools have sought one variation to their SLC project. Of those, 86 were approved, 4 rejected and 2 withdrawn.
- 290 schools have sought at least two variations to their SLC projects. The table below provides a breakdown of the reason and outcome of each individual variation request for these schools.

SLC project variations by request reason and outcome (for schools that have sought two or more variations to their SLC project):

Request Outcome	Reason Sought	No. of Schools*
Accepted	Administration Funding	4
	BER Interest	43
	Building Size	2
	Date Change	281
	Other Contribution	69
	Project Name	8
	Project Type	1
	Sustainability	15
Rejected	Date Change	17
Withdrawn	BER Interest	1
	Date Change	38
	Other Contribution Other	3

* The total number of schools is 290. A single school may have submitted multiple requests.