

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

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
Budget Estimates 2012-2013**

**Outcome 2 – Schools and Youth**

**DEEWR Question No. EW0409\_13**

**Senator Back asked on 31 May 2012 , Hansard page 42**

**Question**

**Gonski Review - sitting fees**

Senator BACK: Were panel members themselves paid to participate in the review?

Ms Paul: I do not think we paid sitting fees. We certainly did support travel. I will take it on notice and get you the amounts and, if we did, which pieces we covered.....

Ms Paul: No. There was no conflict, and I do not think they even overlapped much in time. Can I just correct something. I have just been advised that Mr Gonski did he work pro bono, and the other members of the panel received sitting fees. We will give you the amounts on notice, if you like.

**Answer**

The cost of sitting fees for the Review of Funding for Schooling was \$267,315.