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Senator BERNARDI-...I appreciate there are professional development programs, are there additional programs that have not hitherto been used and have there been increases in existing programs and, if so, what is the quantum of those increases? You might want to take it on notice.

Ms Beauchamp-In terms of quantum, are you talking about the number of people accessing-

Senator BERNARDI-No; dollars. But numbers of people-why not? It might be helpful. You are going to take that on notice?

Ms Beauchamp-I will take that on notice.

Answer:

The learning and development expenditure for 2008-09 was \$480,099. Three hundred and five (305) staff members participated in development opportunities through 9 separate schemes:

- Career Advisory Panel
- Studies Assistance
- Cultural Awareness
- Professional Development Opportunity Fund
- Giving and receiving feedback
- Application writing skills
- Resume writing skills
- Interview skills
- Graduate training