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Chair  
Education and Innovation Committee  
Parliament House  
GEORGE STREET  
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Dear Mrs Menkens

*Rosemary,*

Thank you for considering the proposed expenditure of the portfolio of Education, Training and Employment at the Education and Innovation Committee hearing on 15 July 2014.

In regard to the transcript of proceedings, I would like to clarify several issues for the Committee in regard to statements made at the Estimates hearing of my portfolio.

With reference to the Renovation and Refurbishment Grant Program for kindergartens in Queensland, this was a two year program totalling \$24 million, with 180 services benefitting from the program over this period. The \$8.85 million referred to during my statement related to the funding amount for this program in 2013-14.

In relation to a statement made by the Member for Condamine, Mr Ray Hopper MP, about a new kindergarten opened in Dalby, I wish to clarify that my Department did not open a new kindergarten service in Dalby. I am advised that Mr Hopper may have been referencing a renovation and refurbishment project at the Snow White Kindy at Dalby, which is not a new service.

Finally, I would like to clarify to the Committee those qualifications and training packages funded by the State. These figures should be 727 and not 767 through TAFE and other sources; and 455, not 567, under the new VET Investment Plan.

Should you have any further queries in relation to these issues, I invite you to contact Ms Melinda Rabbitt, Director and Cabinet Legislation Liaison Officer, Ministerial and Executive Services Unit of the Department of Education, Training and Employment on telephone 3304 4740 or by email to [melinda.rabbitt@dete.qld.gov.au](mailto:melinda.rabbitt@dete.qld.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

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