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STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT

*Chair: Mr Ewen Jones MP
Deputy Chair: The Hon Alannah MacTiernan MP*

Public hearings for TAFE inquiry continue in Victoria

The Standing Committee on Education and Employment will visit Melbourne and Bendigo on the 15th and 16th of April, continuing the public hearing schedule for its inquiry into TAFE and its operations.

The public hearings will give the Committee an opportunity to hear from Victorian TAFE stakeholders, and take evidence regarding the challenges and opportunities facing the wider community specifically in relation to further education, employment and skills development.

The Committee Chair, Member for Herbert, Mr Ewen Jones MP, said that he hoped the Melbourne and Bendigo hearings would provide a clear overview of the issues facing TAFE in Victoria.

“TAFE institutions in Victoria are currently facing significant challenges. The Committee is looking forward to learning more about these and how the sector can be supported in its aim to provide high quality skills training and education opportunities, fundamental for economic health in the region,” he said.

Submissions to this inquiry have closed. Submissions received can be viewed on the Committee website: <http://www.aph.gov.au/ee>

Details of the hearings are as follows:

Tuesday 15 April 2014

10:00 am – 4:30 pm

**Victorian Parliament, Committee Rooms
55 St. Andrews Place, East Melbourne, VIC**

Wednesday 16 April 2014

9:00 am – 1:30 pm

**Bendigo Performing Arts Centre
50 View Street Bendigo, VIC**

Proceedings will be webcast at http://www.aph.gov.au/News_and_Events/Watch_Parliament

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