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Committee Secretary
Education and Employment — Legislation Committee
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Secretary

I am writing in relation to the Education and Employment Senate Estimates — Legislation Committee Hearing of 21 February 2019.

On behalf of the Department of Education and Training, I attach clarifications to the evidence provided to the committee at the recent Hearing (Attachment A).

Yours sincerely

Jocelyn Ashford March 2019

Witness Name: Ms Jackie Wilson

Hansard Reference: 21 February 2019 page 43

Evidence Correction:

On the topic concerning the top two steps of the activity test

The corrected statement is

I think we've discussed that with you before—the 72 and 100 hours a fortnight.

Witness Name: Alex Gordon

Hansard Reference: 21 February 2019 page 51

Evidence Correction:

On the topic concerning the basis of calculations of state contributions prior to the bilateral agreements being finalised.

The corrected statement is

That's publicly available—the 2016 My School figures—in terms of total state contributions. We're very happy to provide that on notice.

Witness Name: David Learmonth

Hansard Reference: 21 February 2019 page 82

Evidence Correction:

On the topic concerning the 2018-19 MYEFO research block grants indexation pause the department advised that the indexation pause was for 2018, with the total amount of funding provided to universities the same in 2018 as it was in 2017.

The corrected statement is

The indexation pause for research block grants announced in 2018-19 MYEFO was for 2019, with the total amount of funding provided to universities the same in 2019 as it was for 2018.

Witness Name: Fiona Lynch-Magor Hansard Reference: 21 February 2019 page 96

Evidence Correction:

On the topic concerning the Student Builder Program Fiona Lynch-Magor states that, 'we currently have 17 students who are completing the program'

The corrected statement is:

We currently have 16 students who are completing the program'.

This issue is raised again on the same page with Senator Doug Cameron asking, 'So there are currently 17 enrolled, are there?'

The corrected statement is: 'No, there are 16'.