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**EDUCATION SERVICES FOR OVERSEAS STUDENTS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (TUITION PROTECTION SERVICE AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2011;**

**EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

**EDUCATION SERVICES FOR OVERSEAS STUDENTS (REGISTRATION CHARGES) AMENDMENT (TUITION PROTECTION SERVICE) BILL 2011;**

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**EDUCATION SERVICES FOR OVERSEAS STUDENTS (TPS LEVIES) BILL 2011; AND EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

**[THE BILLS]**

Questions on notice for **ENGLISH AUSTRALIA**

## Senate Committee Hearing – 2 February 2012

Please find enclosed a copy of the proof Hansard transcript of the English Australia evidence to the Senate Committee hearing in Melbourne on 2 February 2012 with suggested corrections.

Please also see below further information provided by English Australia in relation to questions taken on notice at this hearing.

### Transcript – page 19

*Senator BACK: Could you give us an indication, following the figures of the 30 per cent drop, of how many members of English Australia have failed in the last couple of years and how that is represented by full-time-equivalent staff numbers? Can you tell us that or take it on notice?*

English Australia member college closures:

November 2009	Meridian x 2 campuses
February 2010	GEOS x 7 campuses
July 2010	Matrix
September 2010	My English

English Australia does not have direct data re job losses, however as class size is constrained by the accreditation standards to 15 students per teacher, a 30% loss in students would result in a 30% loss in teaching jobs.

### Transcript – page 20

*Senator BACK: You have given us a sample college. For 2010 the figure was \$65,087. Can you tell us how many students in that sample example that \$65,000 would represent.*

*Senator BACK: On page 7 you gave us an indication of ELICOS sector compliance costs, being the direct costs only. You had a number of items—including annual registration, NEAS, CRICOS and ESOS—and it came to \$65,000 for a typical sample college. I just want to know over how many students that figure of \$65,000 would be amortised. Perhaps you could take that on notice. I just want to know what the impact is. Is it \$10 a student? Is it \$100 a student? I just want to know if it is significant.*

The table below shows the breakdown of direct compliance costs for a sample 'medium' size ELICOS college that teaches 1,200 students per year, with each student studying on average for 15 weeks. This would work out to a compliance cost of \$52 per student, for tuition revenue of on average 15 weeks tuition per student.

medium ELICOS provider (eg 1,200 students per year)	annual	Comments
Annual CRICOS Registration Charge	\$27,060	\$366 base fee + \$31 per EFT student (Commonwealth fee)
NEAS Accreditation Fee	\$3,560	National ELT Accreditation Scheme (not-for-profit)
CRICOS registration (state/territory fee)	\$2,244	each state is different - ASQA introducing national approach
ESOS Assurance Fund contribution	\$20,013	only for private providers - Base Premium \$650 + 0.26% overseas student fee income
Tuition Assurance Scheme	\$10,200	association & Tuition Assurance Scheme membership can range from \$2,000 to \$86,000 pa depending on the size of the provider
	\$63,077	

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