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Mr Tim Watling  
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Senate Standing Committee on Education,  
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Dear Mr Watling

Thank you for your email of 26 March including an invitation to make a submission to the inquiry into the proposed Student Identifiers Bill 2013.

The South Australian Department for Education and Child Development (DECD) has no objections to the measures outlined in the Bill. DECD acknowledges that the Bill will introduce a number of measures that will benefit secondary schools and senior secondary students. In South Australia, VET results are recognised and contribute towards the attainment of the South Australian Certificate of Education. A system that provides a permanent record of attainment will be of benefit to students, schools and Registered Training Organisations.

DECD also acknowledges that privacy issues have been addressed in the Bill and that a key principle of the Bill is that individuals have control over their student identifier and can determine who can access their educational records.

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission on this important Bill.

Yours sincerely

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

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