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## **Advisory report on Higher Education Support Amendment (Asian Century) Bill 2013 and report on International education support and collaboration tabled**

On Monday 27 May 2013 the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Education and Employment tabled its Advisory Report on Higher Education Support Amendment (Asian Century) Bill 2013 and report on International education support and collaboration: Review into the 2010-2011 annual report of the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations.

The Committee recommended that the House pass the HESA (Asian Century) Bill 2013, and that the Commonwealth Government consider extending the eligibility of OS-HELP assistance to non-Commonwealth Supported Place students.

In the Committee's report on its roundtable into the status and sustainability of international education, it recommended some additions to the Study in Australia information portal to aid effective communication with students. And, that the Commonwealth Government seek opportunities to promote and discuss international education in Australia and our region on a regular and ongoing basis with stakeholders, including international students.

The reports and recommendations can be found on the Committee's website, together with the Chair's tabling speeches:

[http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary\\_Business/Committees/House\\_of\\_Representatives\\_Committees?url=ee/reports.htm](http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/House_of_Representatives_Committees?url=ee/reports.htm)

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