



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Standing Committee on Education & Vocational Training
Inquiry into Teacher Education

MEDIA ALERT

Issued: 21 November 2005

Chair: Luke Hartsuyker MP
Deputy: Rod Sawford MP

Teacher education inquiry heads to Tasmania

The Apple Isle will play host to a parliamentary committee inquiry next week, when the House Education Committee visits Parliament House in Hobart next Wednesday (23 November) and the Launceston Campus of the University of Tasmania next Thursday (24 November).

The House Education Committee is conducting a major inquiry into teacher education.

“Partnerships are an emerging focus of this inquiry,” said Committee Chair Mr Luke Hartsuyker MP. “We are keen to learn how the University, the Government, and the Teachers Registration Board work together with schools to address issues such as linking theory to practice. We would also like to hear about any impediments to building stronger partnerships.”

As well as hearing from the University of Tasmania and current teacher education students, the Committee will hear from several other organisations and authorities during the public hearings in Tasmania. Among those appearing will be the Tasmanian Government, the Teachers Registration Board of Tasmania, and the Australian Parents’ Council Inc.

HEARING PROGRAM

Wednesday 23 November 2005 - HOBART

Committee Room 2, Parliament House, Parliament Square, Salamanca Wharf

1.00pm – 1.45pm: **Tasmanian Department of Education (Sub. 127)**
2.00pm – 2.45pm: **Teachers Registration Board – Tasmania (Sub 117)**

Thursday 24 November 2005 - LAUNCESTON

Council Room, Sir Raymond Ferrall Centre, University of Tasmania, Launceston Campus, Newnham Drive, Newnham

9.00am – 12.15pm: **University of Tasmania (Sub. 119)**
1.15pm – 2.00pm: **Australian Parents’ Council Inc (Sub. 132)**

FOR INTERVIEW: Please contact Committee Chair, Mr Luke Hartsuyker MP through Greg Pierce on 0408 532 785.

For background information, please contact the committee secretariat on (02) 6277 4573 or on mobile phone 0421 611 173 or visit inquiry website at:

<http://www.aph.gov.au/house/committee/evt/teachereduc/index.htm>.

Submissions are on the inquiry website.