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Topic: Pensioner Education Supplement

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Senator Moore asked:

Now that the Pensioner Education Supplement has been cancelled, will other funding be made available to carers and people with a disability who are on pensions to assist with the costs of education and training in order to improve their chances of gaining future employment?

Answer:

The Government remains committed to providing incentives for income support recipients to improve their employment prospects through study or training. Government funded study and training assistance for income support recipients is available through employment service providers and the FEE HELP and VET FEE HELP tuition loan programs.