Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment - Education

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Budget Estimates 2014-2015

Outcome 2 - Schools and Youth

Department of Education Question No. ED0212_15

Senator O'Neill provided in writing.

Question

Australian Education Act (2013) - Section 13

Section 31 of the Act outlines the recurrent funding arrangements for participating schools. The Budget does not make a provision for loadings for students with a disability beyond 2014. a. How will the Government comply with this section of the Act beyond 2014? Does the Government guarantee that all participating schools will be funded to the resourcing standard as required by the Act?

Answer

This is incorrect. A total of \$4.8 billion has been provided in the 2014-15 Budget for the loadings for students with disability over the next four years.

All schools, both government and non-government, are funded in accordance with the *Australian Education Act 2013*.