

**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. ED0264\_15  
Senator Wright provided in writing.**

**Question**

**National Schools Chaplaincy Programme - application process and focus on disadvantaged schools**

It was also flagged that there will be a new application process and the new program would focus on disadvantaged schools. Can the Department please provide more information about this new focus and how the new applications process will work?

**Answer**

On 19 June 2014 the High Court of Australia found the National School Chaplaincy and Student Welfare Program to be invalid. Implications of the High Court decision on a future programme are being considered.