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Question

Number of students shifted across from fee-paying students to Commonwealth-supported students

Senator KIM CARR: Thank you. I would like to know, in terms of that breakdown, how many shifted across from fee-paying students to Commonwealth-supported students, for each of the categories. Ms Paul: Sure; I understand. Senator KIM CARR: Existing sub-bachelor places, existing bachelor degree places, the number that would be currently supported by the Commonwealth, the number of students reflected on the growth of year 12 completions, and the three per cent growth annual in VET sub-degree students, because there will be a transfer there as well, won't there. Mr Griew: We made an assumption about new entrants—so, newly registered higher education courses, some of which would be provided by dual-sector providers. It would be a mistake to say that they are VET courses that simply then become funded under the system. They have to be registered as higher education courses to do so. Senator KIM CARR: Are you saying that the 80 thousand is an annual figure? Mr Griew: That is right. Ms Paul: We have given you the 2018 figure, but of course, because of the pipeline effect, it grows in the normal pipeline sort of way. Senator KIM CARR: Sure. So it should grow quite substantially beyond that, shouldn't it? Ms Paul: We have heard what you want; we will take it on notice.

Answer

See ED0710_15.