

**Senate Committee: Education and Employment**

**QUESTION ON NOTICE  
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2015 - 2016**

**Outcome: Agency: ACARA**

**Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ15-000826**

Senator Lines, Sue provided in writing.

*Also refer to previous hearing Question No: SQ15-000559*

***ACARA - Relative cost per student***

**Question**

1) On average, what is the relative cost to the Commonwealth for a student in the Government sector, catholic sector and independent sector – use data from the latest available year.

2) On average, what is the relative cost to states/territories for a student in the Government sector, catholic sector and independent sector? Please use data from the latest available year.

**Answer**

The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) has provided the following response:

- 1) The average Australian Government recurrent funding per student in 2013 was \$1965 for the government sector, \$7211 for the catholic sector and \$5748 for the independent sector. Please refer to previous hearing response SQ15-000559.
- 2) The average state/territory government recurrent funding per student in 2013 was \$9901 for the government sector, \$2338 for the catholic sector and \$2042 for the independent sector. Please refer to previous hearing response SQ15-000559.