Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: INNOVATION, INDUSTRY, SCIENCE AND RESEARCH

TOPIC: Science Education Programs

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QUESTION No.: AI-63

The Minister did not commit to an answer at the Estimates hearing of 23 February about whether the Government will cut funding for the 'Primary Connections' and 'Science By Doing' science education programs. Has the Department participated in any formal discussions with the Department of Employment, Education and Workplace Relations about the fate of these programs – and, if so, when?

ANSWER

The Department has not participated in any formal discussions with the Department of Employment, Education and Workplace Relations about these programs.