## **Senate Economics Legislation Committee**

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Industry, Tourism and Resources Portfolio

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AGENCY/DEPARTMENT:

DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, TOURISM AND RESOURCES

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TOPIC:

INNOVATION ACCESS PROGRAM

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## **OUESTION No.14**

(Hansard 31/5/04, p.E102)

## Senator Campbell asked about:

And what about the piece [of the Innovation Access Program] that is going over to DEST? Is it also being evaluated?

## **ANSWER**

No elements of the IAP program will be transferred to DEST.

The Innovation Access Program – Competitive Grants element, which will be rolled into the Commercial Ready Program, was evaluated towards the end of 2003. The evaluation schedule for the other components of the IAP is:

- Intelligent Manufacturing Systems Program (currently under review);
- Innovation Fora (to be reviewed in June 2006); and
- Technology Showcasing (a joint initiative with DEST that will be reviewed in June 2006).