Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education Portfolio Budget Estimates Hearing 2012-13 28 and 29 May 2012

AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: AUSTRALIAN SKILLS QUALITY AUTHORITY (ASQA)

TOPIC: Overseas Student Complaints

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Rhiannon

QUESTION No.: BI-218

- 1. How many complaints received by ASQA from overseas students have been referred to and received by the Overseas Students Ombudsman?
- 2. What are the details and outcomes of those complaints?

ANSWER

- 1. ASQA has referred nine complaints that have been received by the Overseas Students Ombudsman.
- 2. The details of the nine complaints were:
 - 6 related to course fees and refunds;
 - 2 related to the non-receipt of a Statement of Attainment; and
 - 1 related to disputed results.

ASQA does not have information regarding the current status of the Overseas Students Ombudsman investigations into these complaints.