

## EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

### SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2004-2005 ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING

**Outcome:** 2

**Output Group:** 2.4 – Funding for Higher Education

#### DEST Question No. E506\_05

Senator Carr provided in writing.

#### Question:

- a) What are the latest projections of FEE-HELP debt for the years up to and including 2008-09?
- b) On what assumptions as to numbers of debtors and average debt levels are these based?

#### Answer:

##### *FEE-HELP debt*

- a) Estimated FEE-HELP debts incurred in each financial year -

	<b>2004-05 (\$m)</b>	<b>2005-06 (\$m)</b>	<b>2006-07 (\$m)</b>	<b>2007-08 (\$m)</b>	<b>2008-09 (\$m)</b>
Estimated FEE-HELP debt (including loan fee)	256	579	718	795	825

- b) Estimated load (equivalent full-time student load (EFTSL)) undertaken by students incurring a FEE-HELP debt and average FEE-HELP debt per EFTSL incurred in each financial year -

	<b>2004-05</b>	<b>2005-06</b>	<b>2006-07</b>	<b>2007-08</b>	<b>2008-09</b>
Estimated EFTSL incurring a FEE-HELP debt	23,082	50,541	60,680	65,621	66,711
Estimated average FEE-HELP debt incurred	\$11,094	\$11,457	\$11,838	\$12,109	\$12,370