

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

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

Outcome: 1
Output Group: 1.1 – Funding for Schools

DEST Question No. E630_05

Senator Crossin provided in writing.

Question:

Is there only one broker selected to date to run a program supposedly started in school term one 2005? The information sheet sent around and the only broker listed was for WA, with a note to say other brokers would be added as selected.

Answer:

Pilot Tutorial Voucher Initiative

An open tender was undertaken in July 2004 to identify brokers to administer the pilot Tutorial Voucher Initiative in each State and Territory.

Brokers for each State and Territory are being announced progressively as their Agreements are signed.

The brokers for Victoria, Queensland, Western Australia and South Australia have now been announced. It is expected that the brokers for New South Wales, Tasmania and the ACT will be announced over the coming weeks. Negotiations with the potential broker in the Northern Territory are continuing.