

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. E646_05

Senator Crossin provided in writing.

Question:

What real interest has industry shown in actual involvement in these colleges and in what way?

Answer:

Australian Technical Colleges

Industry is well represented in the Expressions of Interest either through national or state employer and industry associations and local councils, and either as a single organisation or as part of consortia or partnership arrangements. There are also 162 Expressions of Interest from individual businesses or consortia of businesses. Involvement ranges from broad commitments of support to specific involvement including proposals to establish an Australian Technical College, employment opportunities, and access to facilities and staff.

Employers and industry are well represented at the community consultation forums primarily through local, state and national employer and industry associations, as well as individual local employers and business people.