

## EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

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

**Outcome:** 2

**Output Group:** 2.5 – Assistance to post school students including those with special needs.

#### **DEST Question No. E682\_05**

Senator Aden Ridgeway provided in writing.

#### **Question:**

Which other parties are able to be the recipients of Abstudy payments in such arrangements?

#### **Answer:**

#### *ABSTUDY*

School fees are paid to the approved authority (governing body) for the school the student attends. Where a student is boarding at a hostel, the payment is made to the hostel. If the student is boarding privately the payment is made to the applicant (usually the parent for students under 18 years of age). The boarding arrangement is a matter between the applicant and the boarding school provider.