

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

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

Outcome: 2

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

DEST Question No. E694_05

Senator Aden Ridgeway provided in writing.

Question:

Would it be considered inappropriate that Abstudy money be put into an account which is controlled by a corporation as opposed to the school which the money was supposed to go to (for example the school's account is the same account as the corporation's account)?

Answer:

ABSTUDY

No. It would not be inappropriate for ABSTUDY money to be paid to an account which is controlled by a corporation that is a governing body of a school. If the authority approved by the Australian Government as a governing body for a non-government school is a particular corporation, that body is approved to receive payments.