

## EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

### SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2005-2006 ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING

**Outcome:** 1  
**Output Group:** ARC

#### **DEST Question No. E1033\_06**

Senator Stephens provided in writing.

#### **Question:**

- Did the previous Minister reject any grants at the last round approved by the ARC Board – how many?
- At the last two ARC grants round (2005 and 2006), were any grant recommendations from the ARC Board, including grant amounts, project titles or any other details changed by the Minister? How many changes, and what was changed in each instance, including the funding variance in cases where the amount was changed?

#### **Answer:**

*The ARC has provided the following response.*

*Did the previous Minister reject any grants at the last round approved by the ARC Board – how many?*

The Minister declined to approve for funding seven proposals that were recommended for funding by the ARC.

*At the last two ARC grants round (2005 and 2006), were any grant recommendations from the ARC Board, including grant amounts, project titles or any other details changed by the Minister? How many changes, and what was changed in each instance, including the funding variance in cases where the amount was changed?*

The ARC Act does not provide for the Minister's changing a recommendation of the ARC.