

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2006-2007 ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome:

Output Group:

DEST Question No. E860_07

Senator Carr provided in writing.

Question:

Grants and Awards related to School education – announcement on new awards

1. When was the new science teacher award program first considered by DEST?
2. Where did the initiative originate from? Was it within DEST or in Minister's office?
3. Please provide budget costing over the forward estimates.
4. How long is the program budgeted for?
5. How many applications, if any, have been received to date?

Answer:

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1. 2006.
2. DEST put forward a proposal for the Awards programme which was approved by the Minister in October 2006.
3. \$1.2 million.
4. 2006/07
5. 38 higher education institutions which run courses that qualify students to teach in primary schools have applied to participate in the scheme.