

EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

**SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
2007-08 ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING**

Outcome 3

DEEWR Question No. EW78_08

Senator Wortley provided in writing.

Question

ABSTUDY and the decline in Indigenous higher education enrolments

Were any of the conclusions or findings of the 2004 review of the effects of the 2000 changes to ABSTUDY not included in the report of that review, published in 2006? What were those conclusions?

Answer

The report, *Review into the impact of ABSTUDY policy changes that came into effect in 2000* was published in July 2006. All conclusions of the finding reached by the review were included in the report.

Hard copies of the report were distributed to participant's in the review's consultations, including universities and Indigenous support centres. The report was also published on the departmental website at http://www.dest.gov.au/abstudy_changes.htm. A hard copy of the report is provided as part of the answer to Question on Notice EW96_08.