EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2003-2004 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: 1 and 2

Output Group: 1.2 Assistance for individuals including those with special needs

2.5 Assistance for post school students including those with special needs

DEST Question No. E127_04

Senator Crossin asked on 3 June 2003. EWRE Hansard page 263

Question:

Do continuing students in receipt of ABSTUDY need to fill in the 32 page form every year? My information is that something still needs to be completed.

Answer:

Continuing ABSTUDY students

Centrelink have provided the following response:

A continuing student whose end of course date is in the future will receive a one page "End of Year" review form to verify their current course details and if they are still studying.

A student whose course end date is in the current year of study will receive a one page "End of Course" form advising them that their course is about to end. They are then asked if they are enrolling in another course, if they answer 'yes' then they are required to complete the review form with their new course details. However, if they answer 'no', they are asked to contact Centrelink for further assistance.