

**EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING**

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

**Outcome: 3**

**Output Group: 3.2 – Assistance for science collaboration and innovation**

**DEST Question No. E135\_04**

Senator Carr asked on 4 June 2003, EWRE Hansard page 372

**Question:**

How could the Commonwealth withhold funding from South Australia for science projects? How would you achieve this legally? Given the Minister has made a statement that this is what the policy of the government is, how would that legally be achieved?

**Answer:**

*Withholding science funding to South Australia*

The Minister has not sought advice in relation to any particular funding subsequent to his public statements on this matter and it would not be appropriate to answer the question in the abstract.