

## EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

### SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2004-2005 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

**Outcome:** 3

**Output Group:** 3. 2 - Assistance for science collaboration and innovation

#### **DEST Question No. E194\_05**

Senator Stott-Despoja provided in writing:

#### **Question:**

Why is the CRC funding cut by \$51 million in 2005-06? Why are there further cuts in the CRC Programme? Are there any plans to reduce the size of this Programme?

#### **Answer:**

##### *CRC funding*

Some funds previously allocated for 2005-06 and 2006-07, which have not been committed, have been reallocated to later years to provide a more even funding profile. They have not been cut from the Programme. The amounts are \$51 million in 2005-06 and \$17.6 million in 2006-07.

*Backing Australia's Ability – Building our future through science and innovation* provides net additional funding of \$65 million for the CRC Programme over the six years 2005-06 to 2010-11.

The allocations for these years are as follows:

2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
\$206.4m	\$187.3m	\$210.2m	\$180.7m	\$196.1m	\$151.6m