EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE – QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2005-2006 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: 1

Output Group: 1.4 – Assistance for transition through and from school

DEST Question No. E021 06

Senator Carr provided in writing.

Question:

VET in schools – data reporting

- (a) Does DEST have a new regime for the reporting of data on VET in schools?
- (b) What improvements will we see?
- (c) Is the new regime compliant with the AVETMIS Standard?

Answer:

VET in schools

- (a) No. Since 2000, the MCEETYA Transition from School Taskforce (TST) has collected, compiled and published VET in Schools data. The data is provided by each State and Territory to the taskforce.
- (b) The TST reports the data to the National Centre for Vocational Education (NCVER), who compile and publish information on VET in Schools using these data and relevant Australian Bureau of Statistics data.
- (c) In July 2003, MCEETYA agreed that from 2005 the Australian Vocational Education and Training Management Information Statistical Standard (AVETMISS) would be the standard for reporting VET in Schools activity in Australia. It also agreed that the data would be collected by the senior secondary assessment authority in each state/territory and reported through State Training Authorities to the national VET database compiled by the NCVER.

In December 2004 all states and territories, with one exception, reported that they would be in a position to collect AVETMISS compliant VET in Schools data in 2005 for reporting in 2006. The remaining jurisdiction will collect AVETMISS compliant data during 2006 for reporting in 2007.