

## EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

### SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2006-2007 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

**Outcome:** 2

**Output Group:** 2.2 – New Apprenticeships

#### **DEST Question No. E113\_07**

Senator Wong asked on 1 June 2006, EWRE Hansard page 64.

#### **Question:**

Leaving aside the programme cuts to incentives, what are the parameters that have altered between the two budget rounds that have led to the \$9 million reduction?

#### **Answer:**

##### *Budget Apprenticeships reductions*

The remaining \$9.709 million is attributable to the net effect of the following:

- extension of incentives to eligible Diploma and Advanced Diploma qualifications;
- downward revision to the 2003-04 and 2004-05 commencement number estimates;
- regular revision of commencement number composition by Australian Quality Framework level;
- regular revision of Living Away From Home Allowance and Disabled Australian Apprenticeship Wage Subsidy claim data; and
- regular revision of claim rates for employer incentive and personal benefits.