## **EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING**

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

Outcome: 1

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

**DEST Question No. E296\_07** 

Senator Wong provided in writing.

Reading Assistance Vouchers

How much was finally actually spent on the pilots? (by State and Territory)

## Answer:

Pilot Tutorial Voucher Initiative - Expenditure

Please see table below for expenditure under the pilot Tutorial Voucher Initiative. Please note in regard to the table that the take up rate in Victoria, Queensland and Western Australia, where education authorities did not inform parents directly or advised parents late in the pilot, the take up ranged from 12% to 30%. In States where parents were advised directly of their eligibility by the education authority the take up ranged from 47% to 70%.

Payments are as at 28 June 2006 and include estimated payments remaining to be paid. Payments are paid upon receipt of correctly rendered invoices. All amounts are GST exclusive.

State/ Territory	Total estimate of pilot TVI expenditure \$
NSW	2,872,342
VIC	830,563
QLD	711,155
SA	699,475
WA	296,563
TAS	176,254
ACT	83,167
*NT	632,250
TOTAL	6,301,769

<sup>\*</sup>As the pilot is concluding in the NT, total actual payment is not yet known. The estimate is based on 100% take-up in the NT.