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SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2007-2008 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome

DEST Question No. E084_08

Senator Carr asked on 31 May 2007, EWRE Hansard page 38.

Question:

Senator CARR—I will take you through to the final column. The way I read it, this figure goes from \$358,000 in 2007-08 to \$777,000 in 2010-11?

Mr Kimber—That is right, yes.

Senator CARR—That appears to be a considerable saving.

Mr Kimber—As I said, that is a particular DEWR measure. The exact details, though, I would have to take on notice and come back to you.

Answer:

Youth Allowance

From 1 January 2008, Youth Allowance (other) recipients with participation requirements will be paid from the date they apply as a jobseeker and commence engagement with a provider of Australian Government employment services. This is a DEWR 2007-08 Budget measure and will encourage young people transferring from Youth Allowance (full-time student) to Youth Allowance (other) to link up promptly with assistance for job searching when they cease full-time study.