

**EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS**

**SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
2008-09 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING**

**Outcome** 4

**DEEWR Question No. EW44\_09**

Senator Mason provided in writing.

**Question**

*Productivity Places Program*

Say, for example that Kevin was granted RPL for 100% of a course, can DEEWR confirm that in accordance with the draft guidelines, the full fee will be paid to the provider.

**Answer**

Yes if "Kevin" enrolled in the Productivity Places Program and was subsequently granted RPL for 100% of a course, the full fee would be paid under the Program to the provider. This approach to funding RPL is consistent with the approach taken throughout the vocational education and training system. It recognises that there are costs associated with undertaking RPL processes for students. These costs include evidence collection and the assessment of competencies against the required training package outcomes.