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Senator Hanson-Young asked on 3 June 2009, EEWR Hansard page 83

Question

Consultation with rural students about changes to YA independence criterion

Senator Hanson-Young – Could you explain what consultation was undertaken with rural students in country Australia as to the effect of these changes?

Senator Carr – will take that on notice. If you have a political point, I suggest the chamber is the appropriate place for that.

Answer

The Bradley review panel conducted extensive consultations on a broad range of issues, including income support, between June and August 2008. In addition to consultations in capital cities, meetings were also held in Townsville and Albury. There were discussions about the criteria for independence. Student representatives participated in the consultation sessions as well as providing written submissions.