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SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2003-2004 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: 1

Output Group: 1.4 – Assistance for transitions through and from schools

DEST Question No. E501_04

Senator Crossin asked on 6 November 2003.

Question:

The budget makes no provision for continuing or expanding either the POEM or CAT programs which were established a pilot in response to the Prime Minister's Youth Pathways Action plan Task Force. What are the intentions beyond Feb 2004 for both of these programs?

Answer:

Extension of POEM and CAT programs

Both pilot programmes are being extended until 31 December 2004. Contract extensions are being offered to current providers who are assessed by the Department as satisfactorily performing their contractual obligations.