

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

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

Outcome: 2

Output Group: 2.4 - Funding for higher education

DEST Question No. E675_04

Senator Stott Despoja asked on 6 November 2003

Question:

What do you estimate to be the effect on enrolments in each discipline from the National Priorities policy of 'quarantining' HECS fees? On what data is this estimate based?

Answer:

National Priorities effect on enrolments

The Department is not able to model the impact on enrolments in the national priority disciplines of teaching and nursing as it depends on the uncertain outcomes of universities being able to set HECS fees for other courses and future student demand for these courses.