EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2004-2005 SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES

Outcome: 1

Output Group: 1.2 – Assistance to individuals including those with special needs

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Senator Carr provided in writing.

Question:

Literacy – tutorial credit vouchers

Given that eligibility for the tutorial credit vouchers depends on 2003 national benchmark results, please make available to the Committee the 2002 and 2003 results (as has occurred with the 2001 results).

Answer:

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Aggregate national literacy and numeracy benchmark data are released by the Ministerial Council on Education, Employment, Training and Youth Affairs (MCEETYA) once States and Territories have provided their data to MCEETYA's National Measurement Advisory Group (NMAG) and they have been approved by Education Ministers.

The 2002-2003 results are currently being collated by NMAG. The Australian Government has been advised that these national results will be forwarded to Ministers for approval early in 2005. We will provide a copy of the results to the Committee when they are released.