

## EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

### SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2005-2006 SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES HEARING

**Outcome:** 1

**Output Group:** 1.1 – Funding for schools

#### **DEST Question No. E598\_06**

Senator Nettle provided in writing.

#### **Question:**

What is the projected total expenditure per student contact hour in Australian Technical Colleges?

How does this compare to the total expenditure on TAFE students?

#### **Answer:**

##### *Australian Technical Colleges – expenditure per student*

Australian Technical College (ATC) students will be undertaking a mix of secondary school studies and trade training. Student contact hours are not a measure used in relation to school students. As ATCs will be offering an integrated education program with direct involvement from industry, and commonly individualised arrangements, there is no basis on which to make “expenditure per student contact hour” comparisons to TAFE.