

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2006-2007 SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: 1

Output Group: 1.1 – Funding for schools

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Senator Wong asked on 1 November 2006, EWRE Hansard page 128

Question:

1. Does the Commonwealth funding agreement with schools require education authorities to collect data from parents such as language background, socioeconomic and location?
2. Why would some education authorities or states and territories be of the view that that was required?

Answer:

Collection of Background Data from Parents

1. Yes, in accord with Ministerial Council on Education, Employment and Youth Affairs (MCEETYA) decisions and agreements.
2. States and Territories are party to the MCEETYA agreement on this matter.