

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2011-2012**

Outcome 3 - Tertiary, Skills, International and Indigenous Strategy

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Senator Mason provided in writing.

Question

University compacts

"Other than the signing of a compact being a requirement in order for a university to receive CGS funding in the future, what other performance funding is specifically going to be contingent on achievement of agree targets contained in compacts? a. Will any infrastructure funding under the EIF be tied to compacts, and if so, how is it proposed that that will work? "

Answer

For the current Compact period (2011-2013) universities that meet the participation targets for students from low SES backgrounds, and their nominated Other Under-represented Group will receive performance funding in 2012 and 2013.

Funding through the Education Investment Fund is not tied to Compacts.

Arrangements for the second Compact period (2014-2017) are yet to be determined.