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SENATE EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

Public Hearings: **BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR 2012-13**

Monday, 28 May to Thursday, 31 May 2012 and if required Friday, 1 June 2012

Committee Room 2S3
Parliament House
Canberra ACT

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AGENDA

MONDAY, 28 MAY 2012 (Employment and Workplace Relations)

Time	**Employment and Workplace Relations**
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	
9:00am – 11:00pm	**Portfolio Agencies**
9:00am – 2:00pm*	Fair Work Australia
2:00pm – 5:00pm*	Fair Work Ombudsman
5:00pm – 6:30pm	Australian Building and Construction Commission *and* Office of the Fair Work Building Industry Inspectorate
7:30pm – 9:00pm	Comcare
9:00pm – 11:00pm	Safe Work Australia

TUESDAY, 29 MAY 2012 (Employment and Workplace Relations)

Time	**Employment and Workplace Relations** (cont.)
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	
9:00am – 6.30pm	**Outcome 3** (formerly Outcome 4) **–** *Enhanced employability and acquisition of labour market skills and knowledge and participation in society through direct financial support and funding of employment and training services.***
9:00am*	Program 3.1: Employment Services Job Services Australia Jobs Fund National Green Jobs Corps Pacific Seasonal Workers Program Productivity Education and Training Fund Regional Educational, Skills and Jobs Plan Mature Age Participation – job seeker assistance Productivity Ageing Package
1:30pm*	Program 3.3: Disability Employment Services Employment Assistance and Other Services Disability Employment Services
4.00pm*	Program 3.5: Working Age Payments Compensation and Debt Relief Mobility Allowance Newstart Allowance Parenting Payment (Single) Parenting Payment (Partnered) Partner Allowance (Benefit) Partner Allowance (Pension) Pensioner Education Supplement Sickness Allowance Utilities Allowance Widow Allowance Youth Allowance
7.30pm – 11:00pm	**Outcome 4** (formerly Outcome 5) – *Safer, fairer and more productive workplaces for employers and employees by promoting and supporting the adoption of fair and flexible workplace arrangements and safer working arrangements.*
7.30pm	Program 4.1: Employee Assistance General Employee Entitlements and Redundancy Scheme Coal Mining Industry (LSL) Funding Act 1992
9.00pm*	Program 4.2: Workplace Assistance Protected Action Ballots Scheme Home Workers Code of Practice Program International Labour Organisation Subscription Social and Community Workers Education and Information Program
10:00pm	Program 4.3: Workers Compensation Payments *Asbestos related claims Act 2005* Asbestos compensation Payments *Safety, Rehabilitation & Compensation Act 1998* Workers Compensation Payments

WEDNESDAY, 30 MAY 2012 (Education)

Time	**Education, Employment & Workplace Relations Portfolio** (cont.)
9:00am - 11.30am	**Australian Curriculum Assessment & Reporting Authority (ACARA)** Program 1.1 - National Curriculum Program 1.2 - National Data Collection and Reporting Program 1.3 - National Assessment
11.30am – 12.30pm	**Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership (AITSL)** Program 1.1 – Assistance for Quality Teaching and learning
1:30pm-6.30pm	**Outcome 1 –** *Improved access to quality services that support early childhood learning and care for children through a national quality framework, agreed national standards, investment in infrastructure, and support for parents, carers, services and the workforce*
1:30pm	Program 1.1: Support for the Child Care System Child Care Services Support Jobs, Education and Training Child Care Fee Assistance (JETCCFA)
3:00pm*	Program 1.2: Child Care Fee Assistance Child Care Benefit (CCB) Child Care Rebate (CCR)
5:00pm	Program 1.3: Early Childhood Education Early Childhood Education - Universal Access
7:30pm – 11:00pm	**Outcome 2 –** *Improved learning and literacy, numeracy and educational attainment for school students, through funding for quality teaching and learning environments, workplace learning and career advice.*
7:30pm	Program 2.10: More support for students with disabilities Students with Disabilities (COPE) Students with Disabilities (Non-Government)
8:45pm*	Program 2.11: Youth Support National Partnerships on Youth Attainment and Transitions Youth Engagement National Youth Affairs Research Scheme Special Account
9:45pm	Program 2.12: Student Assistance ABSTUDY – Secondary ABSTUDY – Tertiary Assistance for Isolated Children Superannuation Benefits for Aboriginal Tutor Assistance Scheme

THURSDAY, 31 MAY 2012 (Education)

Time	Education, Employment & Workplace Relations Portfolio (cont.)
9:00am-11:30am*	**Cross Portfolio***** ***If required, Outcome 5*** *(formerly Outcome 3)– A growth in skills, qualifications and productivity through funding to improve teaching quality, learning, and tertiary sector infrastructure, international promotion of Australia's education and training sectors, and partnerships with industry.*
11:30am – 11:00pm	**Outcome 2 –** *Improved learning and literacy, numeracy and educational attainment for school students, through funding for quality teaching and learning environments, workplace learning and career advice.****
11:30am*	Program 2.1: Government Schools National Support
1:30pm	Program 2.2: Non-Government Schools National Support *Schools Assistance Act 2008* *Indigenous Education (Targeted Assistance) Act 2000* Recurrent Grants – Non-government Capital Grants – Non-government English as a Second Language – New Arrivals – Non-government Indigenous Youth Mobility Program Indigenous Youth Leadership Program Sporting Chance Academies
2:15pm	Program 2.13: Empowering Local Schools Empowering Local Schools (Government) Empowering Local Schools (Non-Government)
3:00pm*	Program 2.14: - Rewards for School Improvement Rewards for School Improvement (Government) Rewards for School Improvement (Non-Government)
4:00pm	Program 2.15: National Rewards for Great Teachers
4:45pm	Program 2.3: Schools Support Teach Next National Trade Cadetship Online Diagnostic Tools Australian Baccalaureate Indigenous Ranger Cadetships National Asian Languages in Schools Grants and Awards National Schools Chaplaincy Program Helping Children with Autism Quality Outcomes Framework for Open Learning Local Schools Working Together Student Resilience and Wellbeing Review of School Funding One Laptop per Child Maths and Science Participation Indigenous Education
5:30pm	Program 2.4: Trade Training Trade Training Centres (Non-government)
6:00pm*	Program 2.5: Digital Education Revolution The National Secondary Schools Computer Fund
7:30pm	Program 2.6: National Action Plan on Literacy and Numeracy National Action Plan on Literacy and Numeracy

9:00pm	Program 2.7: Education Infrastructure Building the Education Revolution – Non Government
10:30pm	Program 2.8: Smarter Schools - Low SES School Communities National Partnership Program 2.9: Smarter Schools - Improving Teacher Quality National Partnership
Additional Information	*includes proposed break ** Program 3.2 and Program 3.4 will be considered as part of the Indigenous Cross Portfolio day administered by the Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee. Details of items of Program 3.2 can be found in the Education, Employment and Workplace Relations 2012–13 Portfolio Budget Statement pp 88–89. Details of items of Program 3.4 can be found in the Education, Employment and Workplace Relations 2012–13 Portfolio Budget Statement pp 93–94. *** Tertiary Education and Skills have transferred to the Senate Economics committee, and in the first instance, all questions regarding these areas should be directed to witnesses appearing before that committee under outcomes 1 through 3 of the Department of Innovation, Industry, Science, Research and Tertiary Education on Monday 28 May 2012 in committee room 2R1. **** Questions relating to the School Enrolment and Attendance Measure should be asked under program 2.3.

Proposed breaks	Morning tea	10:30am – 10:45am
	Lunch	12:30pm – 1:30pm
	Afternoon tea	3:45pm – 4:00pm
	Dinner	6:30pm – 7:30pm
	Tea Break	9:30pm – 9:45pm

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