

EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

**SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
2007-08 ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING**

Outcome **7**

DEEWR Question No. EW142_08

Senator Coonan provided in writing.

Question

CRS – Contestability

Please provide details of the transition to full contestability of CRS services?

Answer

Up until 1 July 2007, CRS Australia was the monopoly provider of Australian Government funded Vocational Rehabilitation Services (VRS). Partial contestability for VRS was introduced on 1 July 2007, with 18 new providers contracted to deliver approximately 30 per cent of the business until 30 June 2009.

The Government is currently reviewing arrangements for the delivery of employment services, including for VRS.