SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

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Senator Hanson-Young provided in writing.

Question

Resources for implementing Youth Compact

Are extra resources being provided for public schools to deal with increase?

Answer

COAG has committed to the Compact with Young Australians and it is the responsibility of the State and Territory Governments to provide the entitlement to a place.

The Australian Government provides funding for students at government schools under the National Schools SPP. Under the National Schools SPP, the Commonwealth Treasury is responsible for determining the State and Territory entitlements, indexed by:

- the growth in average government schools recurrent cost; and
- the growth in full-time equivalent enrolments in government schools.

An increase in enrolments will result in an increase in the State or Territory entitlement.

In addition, to support the implementation of the Compact with Young Australians, the Australian Government has also committed \$100 million in reward funding for States and Territories under the National Partnership on Youth Attainment and Transitions.