Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace Relations

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Supplementary Budget Estimates 2010-2011

Outcome 4 - Employment & Participation Policy

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Senator Abetz provided in writing.

Question

INNOVATION FUND PANEL MEMBERS

"Was the Department satisfied with the performance of Innovation Fund panel members? How many employment outcomes were achieved?"

Answer

The Innovation Fund commenced on 1 July 2009 and is designed to address the needs of the most disadvantaged job seekers through projects that foster innovative solutions to overcome barriers to employment which these job seekers face. Overall, outcomes achieved by panel members exceed anticipated outcomes as measured against milestone commitments in current funding agreements.

Outcomes achieved as at 29 October 2010 are:

Outcome type	Outcomes achieved to 29 October 2010
Jobs	382
Training	1,141
Work Experience placements	227
Mentoring	1,188