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

DEEWR Question No. EW0601_12

Senator Mason provided in writing.

Question

University compacts

How are the different circumstances of dual-sector universities being reflected in their compacts? Is there a distinctive pattern emerging?

Answer

No special arrangements for dual sector universities are stipulated in the Compact template. Universities have outlined their distinct mission in their Compacts and have outlined their strategies for teaching and learning (as well as research, research training and innovation).

A number of universities – not only the dual-sector institutions – indicated that they are increasing their engagement with TAFE and other VET providers in order to provide more pathways into university.