

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Supplementary Budget Estimates 2013-2014

Outcome 2 - Schools and Youth

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Senator Carr provided in writing.

Question

Australian Government School Resource Standard

At what rate has the Australian Government School Resource Standard been projected to change in each year to 2019 (in negative or positive per cent change, year on year, and across all years)? How would these projected changes in the AGSR have altered commonwealth school funding indexation under the current school funding model? What would the indexation rate have been for each year to 2019? And how does this compare to the per cent increase in total funding that each NERA-signatory jurisdiction will receive if the six-year funding agreements associated with the NERA are fully implemented? What is the estimated Student Resource Standard for each of the next six years?

Answer

Over the forward estimates the Schooling Resource Standard (SRS) is projected to increase at a rate of 3.6 per cent. Based on this rate, the estimated SRS to 2017 is provided in Table 1 below.

Table 1: SRS (Primary and Secondary Amounts) projected to 2017.

	Year 2014	Year 2015	Year 2016	Year 2017
Primary	\$9271	\$9605	\$9950	\$10 308
Secondary	\$12 193	\$12 632	\$13 086	\$13 557

The Government has committed to a review of the model and indexation arrangements in 2015 as originally scheduled, giving consideration to its stability, and fiscal sustainability.