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STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT

Chair: Mr Ewen Jones MP

Deputy Chair: The Hon Alannah MacTiernan MP

Manufacturing focus for TAFE public hearing

Manufacturing Skills Australia (MSA) will appear before the Standing Committee on Education and Employment tomorrow, Wednesday 18 June, to give evidence for the Committee's inquiry into TAFE and its operations.

MSA is the national Industry Skills Council recognised and funded by the Australian Government, to ensure that the skill needs of the manufacturing enterprises are being met.

The Committee Chair, Member for Herbert Ewen Jones, said MSA's appearance before the Committee is timely given the current climate of manufacturing decline and industry skills shortages.

"In their submission, MSA has highlighted some real issues in the development of skills in the Australian economy, particularly in policy which is largely focussed on inputs rather than outcomes. The Committee will seek advice on solutions to these issues as well as requesting MSA provide further information on the training and development of the future workforce and their role in the development of national training packages," he said.

Submissions to this inquiry have closed. Submissions received and a link to the current online student survey can be viewed on the committee website: <http://www.aph.gov.au/ee>

Details of the hearing are as follows:

Wednesday 18 June 2014

11:20 am to 12:45 pm

Committee Room 1R4

Parliament House, Canberra, ACT

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