Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Industry, Innovation, Climate Change, Science, Research and Tertiary Education Portfolio Budget Estimates Hearing 2013-14
3 and 4 June 2013

AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, CLIMATE CHANGE, SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND TERTIARY EDUCATION

TOPIC: Design and Design Education Programs

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Bushby

QUESTION No.: BI-153

Please outline the full range of government programs that are currently in place in the portfolio in respect of design and design education, and how much is being spent on each of them over the forward estimates?

ANSWER

Enterprise Connect's Design Integration Program (DIP) is a service intended to assist participating businesses to be more productive, innovative and competitive through the design and production of world-class, customer-focused products and services. In 2011-12, Enterprise Connect piloted the service, delivering intensive design integration support to six manufacturing firms.

In 2013-14, the DIP is expected to be part of Enterprise Connect's suite of business advisory services. For participating businesses, the DIP will provide access to intensive advice/mentoring, and co-funded support up to \$20,000 to assist with implementation, through the Tailored Advisory Service.

In 2013-14, it is expected that design integration services could be provided for up to 10 firms.