

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**HEALTH PORTFOLIO**

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**OUTCOME:** 3 – Sport and Recreation

**Topic:** Sporting Schools

**Type of Question:** Written Question on Notice

**Senator:** Senator Don Farrell

**Question:**

In 2016, the Prime Minister and former Minister Ley announced that the Sporting Schools Program would receive an additional \$60 million in funding and would be extended to include students in Years 7 and 8 and to have a particular focus on girls - is that still the plan?

**Answer:**

Yes. The additional funding supports the implementation of the Sporting Schools program until December 2018.

The Sporting Schools extension into secondary schools commences in Term 3, 2017. The targeted secondary component focusses on Year 7 and 8 students, particularly girls, in order to address the barriers that prevent teenagers from participating in sport.