

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2014 - 2015**

Outcome: Schools and Youth

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ15-000209

Senator Lines, Sue provided in writing.

Tasmania's public school system funding

Question

Is the Department aware of exactly how much money will be spent in Tasmania's public school system this year? How much will each school get - please provide a list? Can the Department confirm whether all Commonwealth money is reaching Tasmanian classrooms? And if the Tasmanian Government is contributing all the funding it is required to under the NERA?

Answer

Funding for government schools is a matter for the Tasmanian Government. Commonwealth general recurrent funding is provided directly to the states and territories for distribution within their schooling sector in accordance with their own allocative models.

The Tasmanian Government committed to providing its contribution of general recurrent funding to government schools as outlined in the Tasmanian agreement with the Commonwealth. The department is not aware of any change to this commitment in 2014.

The 2014 funding amounts will be reported on the *My School* website when the audited data becomes available. This is expected to occur in March 2016. Under section 35 of the Australian Education Regulation 2013 the Tasmanian Government will report its distribution of Australian Government funding to government schools, for the 2014 school year, in 2015. This has been requested to be done by 30 June 2015.