

**Senate Committee: Education and Employment**

**QUESTION ON NOTICE  
Additional Estimates 2016 - 2017**

**Outcome: Schools and Youth**

**Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ17-000214**

Senator Hanson-Young, Sarah provided in writing

***Schooling Resource Standard (SRS) - disadvantage loadings***

**Question**

Will the current disadvantage loadings be maintained in the post-2017 funding arrangements?

**Answer**

On 2 May 2017 the Australian Government announced the *Quality Schools* package. From 2018 onwards there will continue to be loadings for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, students with a disability, English language proficiency, socio-educational disadvantage and school size and location, subject to passage of legislation.

Some settings will be revised from 2018 to reflect the most current data available or address issues with current arrangements. This includes using the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability to inform the students with disability loading.