

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Budget Estimates 2013-2014**

Outcome 2 - Schools and Youth

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Senator Back provided in writing.

Question

Capital programs in schools

1. What year have current capital programs have been extended to? 2. Will the share and indexation arrangements to non-government school remain the same as are currently in place?

Answer

1. Under the current *Schools Assistance Act 2008*, the current capital grants program will expire in December 2014. The Australian Government has made a commitment to continue its investment in capital grants funding for non-government schools. The mechanism to provide this funding is included in section 68 of the *Australian Education Act 2013*. This funding is included in the forward estimates and will be ongoing.
2. Current indexation arrangements will remain in place.