SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

2003-2004 ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING 19 FEBRUARY 2004

EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 1: An effectively functioning labour market

Output Group 1.2: Labour Market Programme and Delivery

Output 1.2.2: Employment Services

Question Number: W359-04

Question:

Senator Campbell asked at *Hansard* page 4:

Could the Department please provide a detailed breakdown of the training that is being purchased under the Job Seeker Account as well as other figures categorised in answer to W264-04.

Answer:

The Department is unable to provide a detailed breakdown of the training purchased under the Job Seeker Account without a substantial and unreasonable diversion of resources. Examples of training purchased under the Job Seeker Account include retail, hospitality, security, administration, first aid, OH&S and computer courses.

Following is an updated itemised table of expenses relating to the Job Seeker Account and the Training Account to the end of February 2004.

Job Seeker Account	As @ 29Feb04
Activity type	\$m
Training	14.243
Clothing & Equipment	6.646
Professional Service	4.631
Bulk *	3.691
Transport Assistance	2.909
Fares & Petrol Assistance	1.224
Work Related Licensing	1.077
Employer Incentives	2.381
Job Seeker Incentives	0.573
Interpreter Services	0.311
Job Network Member Contacts	1.047
Self Employment	0.351
Job Network Member Transport Costs	0.215
Relocation Assistance	0.224
Other	3.174
TOTAL	42.697

Training Account	As @ 29Feb04
Activity type	\$m
Courses **	2.970
Books / Equipment	0.125
TOTAL Expenditure	3.095