EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2007-08 ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome 4

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Senator Boswell provided in writing.

Question

Training Voucher programme

Why people studying horticultural and agricultural apprenticeships are being denied access to the Apprenticeship Training Voucher programme?

Answer

Agriculture and horticulture Australian Apprentices are eligible for assistance under the Apprenticeships Training (Fee) Voucher program. Under this program, Australian Apprentices undertaking a Certificate II, III or IV level qualification in agriculture or, if in a rural or regional area, horticulture, are eligible from 1 July 2007 for up to \$1000 to cover course fees associated with their apprenticeship training in their first and second year.