Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace Relations

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Question

Education Investment Fund

Senator CORMANN—Is there any adult fund, such as non-capital funding, out of the stimulus package that went into TAFEs? Ms McKinnon—Yes, there would be, under the EIF, the education investment fund. Some of the rounds for that had TAFEs as recipients. I would be able to take that on notice. The additional incentives that went to employers and group training organisations to take on out-of-trade apprentices was a direct response to the GFC, and I would be able to—Senator CORMANN—That did not go directly to TAFEs though, did it? Ms McKinnon—No. Senator CORMANN—I am looking at the funding that went directly to TAFEs, and other training facilities. Could I have that broken down on a state-by-state basis?

Answer

On 12 December 2008, the Prime Minister announced a \$4.7 billion Nation Building Package. This included \$1.1 billion of capital funding from the Education Investment Fund (EIF) and \$500 million of capital funding for the Teaching and Learning Capital Fund (TLCF) for Vocational Education and Training (VET).

Details of funding through the TLCF (VET), that is capital funding to TAFEs and organisations in the adult not-for-profit training sector, are included in the response to EW1030_10.

No TAFEs or organisations in the adult not-for-profit training sector received any EIF capital funding undertheDecember 2008 Nation Building Package.