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SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2003-2004 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: 2

Output Group: 2.5 – Assistance for post school students including those with special

needs

DEST Question No. E322_04

Senator Harradine asked on 20 June 2003

Question:

Will it continue to be in the interest of some students to pay full fees without assistance from the Commonwealth and to deduct this as an expense against their income? Please explain how this would work.

Answer:

Incentive to pay full fees and claim a tax deduction

Whether or not an individual benefits from paying full fees without assistance from the Commonwealth will depend on that individual's circumstances. DEST is not in a position to comment on the circumstances in which this would occur.