

## EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

### SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2004-2005 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

**Outcome:** 2

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

#### **DEST Question No. E114\_05**

Senator Stott Despoja provided in writing.

#### **Question:**

What would it cost the Federal Government to exempt all scholarships provided by universities from social security income tests?  
How many students would this affect?

#### **Answer:**

##### *Exempting scholarships*

DEST has not costed exempting all scholarships provided by universities from social security income tests, nor has it estimated the number of students this would affect.

Apart from Commonwealth funded scholarships, DEST does not routinely collect data on the range and value of scholarships offered by universities.