

EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

**SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
2008-09 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING**

Outcome 4

DEEWR Question No. EW054_09

Senator Mason provided in writing.

Question

Australian Apprenticeships Centres

- (a) What is the total amount of this funding over the duration of the contract?
- (b) How has it been determined?
- (c) Is it a set fee for each Australian Apprenticeship Centre, or a fee for service arrangement?

Answer

The total amount contracted for the Australian Apprenticeships Support Services Contract from 1 July 2006 to 1 June 2009 is \$548 million (GST Inclusive).

Australian Apprenticeships Centres (AACs) are contracted to provide services within a specific tender region. A price is negotiated per contract for the life of the contract.

The AACs are then paid through a Fee For Service arrangement per Australian Apprenticeship. The Fee For Service arrangements are calculated from their total contract value using percentages specified within their contracts.