

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Budget Estimates 2011-2012**

Outcome 2 - Schools

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Senator Mason asked on 2/06/2011, Hansard page 66.

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Senator MASON: So what you are saying, Dr Arthur, is that they are all eligible and they will all be connected. Is that what you are saying? Dr Arthur: That is the policy, Senator. Senator MASON: That is the policy. Dr Arthur: Yes. Senator MASON: Do we know when they will be connected? Dr Arthur: We will take that on notice.

Answer

The Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations has consulted with the Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy in providing the following response.

All schools will be able to be connected to the National Broadband Network (NBN). NBN Co is developing its rollout plan and detailed region-by-region designs for the network are not yet available. Schools will be able to take up a connection once the NBN is deployed in their region. The decision to connect to the NBN will be made by the responsible school authority.