SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

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Senator Colbeck provided in writing.

Question

Further Funding for Forestworks Industry Skills Council.

What further funding will be required for this Industry Skills Council? Has further funding been raised by the Industry Skills Council, the Department or by the Government and if so in what context?

Answer

ForestWorks ISC, like other Industry Skills Councils, is funded by the Australian Government to perform their core functions. The current Funding Agreement is for the period 2008-2011. \$5,484,372 is still to be received by ForestWorks ISC under this Agreement.

As independent companies, the ISCs are not prevented from sourcing other funds, provided it does not conflict with the terms of the funding agreement they have with the Australian Government.