Senate Standing Committee on Education, Employment and Workplace Relations

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Supplementary Budget Estimates 2010-2011

Outcome 3 - Higher Education

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Senator Nash provided in writing.

PPP- LANGUAGE, LITERACY AND NUMERACY PROGRAM (LLNP)

Question

How many providers offered Language, Literacy and Numeracy under the previous contract? Has the Department been made aware of concerns of providers surrounding the tender for the Language, Literacy and Numeracy Program?

Answer

Forty providers were contracted to offer training and assessment services at over 300 sites under the Language, Literacy and Numeracy Program's (LLNP's)2009-10 contract.

The Department has received feedbackfrom former LLNP providers who were unsuccessful in the recent LLNP tender. Feedback has been received directly during one-on-one feedback sessions that the Department offered and undertook with unsuccessful tenderers, and indirectly via such avenues as previous hearings of this Committee. Relevant questions on notice on this topic include EW0068_11 and EW0069_11 (June 2010).