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ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE 29

Mr Doszpot : To ask the Minister for Education and Training

Ref: Output Class 1: Public Education

In relation to : NSW students attending ACT public schools

1. What is the total financial contribution the federal government provides to the ACT for NSW students attending ACT schools for each of the last 3 years?
2. How is the quantum per student calculated?
3. What is the quantum per student?
4. Has the ACT Government made any assessment of the cost to the ACT of NSW students attending ACT schools?

Ms Joy Burch MLA : The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

- 1-3. The financial contribution by the federal government to the ACT for NSW students attending ACT public schools is complex. The ACT receives direct funding for education through Commonwealth Students First Payments. In addition, the ACT also receives a share of untied GST funding from Commonwealth. The calculation driving the amount of GST provided to the ACT is contingent upon a number of factors of which education is only a part.
4. Given the sources of funding from Commonwealth as discussed above, there has not been a detailed assessment of the cost. However, the Directorate is aware of the number of NSW residents attending ACT schools as well as the cost associated with educating students in ACT public schools. The average costs are provided on page 14 of the Education and Training Budget Statements.

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Signature:

Date: 3/7/14.

By the Minister for Education and Training, Ms Joy Burch MLA