

SCHOOL CURRICULUM AND STANDARDS AUTHORITY — SPECIAL PROVISIONS POLICY

511. Hon DONNA FARAGHER to the Minister for Education and Training:

I refer to the School Curriculum and Standards Authority's special examination provisions policy for Australian tertiary admission rank course examinations.

- (1) Is this policy currently being reviewed by the authority?
- (2) If yes —
 - (a) when did the review commence and what is the review's terms of reference;
 - (b) who is being consulted as part of the review; and
 - (c) when is the review expected to be completed?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of this question.

- (1) Yes.
- (2) (a) The review commenced on 1 March 2019. The terms of reference are to undertake an independent review of the special provisions process and considerations provided by the School Curriculum and Standards Authority to enable all Western Australian senior secondary students to have opportunities for success in completing their senior secondary studies. The report will document the current special provision arrangements in place for Western Australian senior secondary students, the current special provision arrangements in place in other Australian jurisdictions, and recommendations to SCSA regarding any changes to the special provision arrangements that are currently in place to ensure that Western Australia adopts best practice.
- (b) Representatives of the following organisations have been invited to participate in consultations. Madam President, it is a very long list, so I seek leave to have that part of the answer incorporated into *Hansard*.

Leave granted.

The following material was incorporated —

Department of Education
Catholic Education Western Australia
Association of Independent Schools Western Australia
The Dyslexia SPELD Foundation Western Australia
Developmental Occupational Therapy Western Australia
WA Council of State School Organisations
Parents and Friends Federation Western Australia
Diabetes Western Australia
Autism Association
Western Australia Deaf Society
VisAbility
Department of Communities – Disability Services
Association of Heads of Independent Schools Australia
Western Australia Secondary School Executives Association
Youth Focus
Past and present Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE) students
Parents of past and present WACE students

- (c) The review is expected to be considered by SCSA's board in October 2019.