

SCHOLASTIC APTITUDE TEST, PREPARATION BY AUSTRALIAN COUNCIL FOR EDUCATIONAL
RESEARCH

216. HON DERRICK TOMLINSON to the Minister for Education and Training:

- (1) Will the external examination, or scholastic aptitude test, scores, which will be part of the ranking process for selection to university, be prepared annually by the Australian Council for Educational Research?
- (2) Has a contract or some other arrangement with the ACER for preparation of the test been agreed?
- (3) Will the Department of Education and Training, the Department of Education Services or the universities pay for the annual preparation and administration of that test?

Hon LJILJANNA RAVLICH replied:

Given the number of parts to that question -

Hon Derrick Tomlinson: Don't you know anything? I thought you had a briefing on this!

The PRESIDENT: Order!

Hon LJILJANNA RAVLICH: How much longer will the honourable member be in this place?

Hon Derrick Tomlinson: Just long enough to get under your skin and expose your stupidity!

Hon LJILJANNA RAVLICH: He is not doing a very good job of it; he is pathetic.

Hon Peter Foss: How incompetent you are; you don't know anything!

The PRESIDENT: Order!

Hon LJILJANNA RAVLICH: Oh, the honourable member is alive! I ask that Hon Derrick Tomlinson put the question on notice.