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## Indigenous Education (Targeted Assistance) Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2013

*Portfolio: Indigenous Affairs*

*Introduced: Senate, 13 November 2013*

1.318 This bill proposes amendments to the *Indigenous Education (Targeted Assistance) Act 2000* (IETA) to enable the Minister to enter into contracts with education providers in respect of 2014 and beyond. Currently, the IETA only refers to funding under the special appropriation non-ABSTUDY payments up until June 2014.

1.319 The bill is accompanied by a statement of compatibility that states that the bill does not engage any human rights as it only makes technical amendments.

1.320 The statement of compatibility also states that the principal Act, the IETA, promotes a number of rights, including the right to an adequate standard of living,<sup>168</sup> the right to education,<sup>169</sup> and the right to non-discrimination on the ground of race under the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (ICERD). The statement of compatibility claims that the provision can be viewed as a special measure of advancement, within the meaning of article 1(4) of the ICERD.

1.321 The committee considers that the bill does not appear to give rise to human rights concerns.

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168 Article 11 of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR).

169 Article 13 of the ICESCR.