Submission on proposed amendments to the *Education Services for Overseas Students Act 2000* (ESOS Act)

Please provide your comments to ESOS-PolicyTeam@dese.gov.au by 5pm AEST Friday 9 October 2020

Do you agree to have your submission published online?	
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Sector of delivery (eg VET, higher education)	
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Improving regulation of supplementary courses for overseas students

QUESTIONS	COMMENTS
1. **Do you have any comment on the benefits or risks of the proposal described in this policy paper?**	
2. **Do you have any comment on how the proposed definition of "course" in the ESOS Act should be narrowed or expanded?**	
3. **Are there any VET qualifications accredited under the AQF which you believe the Minister should specifically exempt from the coverage of the ESOS Act (meaning they would not need to be registered on CRICOS), noting the primary intention to enable**	

pursuit of personal interests or attendance at a workplace component of a substantive qualification? If so, which VET courses and why?	

4. **The legislative instrument will enable RTOs which are not CRICOS registered to deliver single units of competency or training modules. However, providers will not be able to combine more than five units together in one package of training to be delivered to a student in the same calendar year:**
 	
    a. **Are there any specific combinations of units of competency, skill sets or training modules delivered by RTOs, (and which are not accredited as full qualifications under the AQF), that should <u>not</u> be exempt from the ESOS Act – that is they should be registered on CRICOS?**
 	
    b. **Should there be a limit to the number of exempt units of competency a provider can deliver to a student per calendar year as either part of a skill set or as individual units? If so, what limit and why? Is a limit of five units in one calendar year appropriate?**	

5. **Do you have any additional comments?**	

Enabling CRICOS registration charges to be refunded

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