



## Senator the Hon Simon Birmingham

Minister for Education and Training

Senator for South Australia

Senator Stirling Griff  
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Dear Senator Griff

As per our discussions, I write to confirm the Government will consider requests by Listed and Not-for-Profit Providers to include additional courses in the Courses and Caps Determination to be provided by an individual Listed and Not-for-Profit Provider only, that are not currently on the published eligible course list.

The current powers of the VET Student Loans Bill 2016 are sufficient without amendment to enable the Minister to approve such courses for subsequent listing on the eligible course list as being able to be offered only by the individual, specified providers.

In considering such applications, the Government will require evidence of employment outcomes from each course, employer support for each course, and provider track record of student progression and completion through each course.

The Department of Education and Training has advised it can consider such applications as part of the current assessment round for provisional approval.

All providers and all courses will remain subject to the loan caps, which are set by Field of Education, including courses approved for Listed and Not-for-Profit Providers which are not on the eligible course list.

Yours sincerely

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