

**Questions on Notice:**

**Inquiry into the Education Amendment (Ethics Classes Repeal) Bill 2011**

**Rev Dr Michael Jensen**

Questions from the Hon Sarah Mitchell:

*1. In your appearance before the committee, you raised the question as to whether or not other classes might be able to compete with SRE and SEE in the allocated teaching slot. Other witness and submissions have indicated they would like to see a comparative religion course offered. Would you like to see a comparative religion course, or other similar courses offered, or do you feel the current SRE and SEE classes are sufficient?*

I would not like to see comparative religion offered in the allocated teaching slot. Comparative religion should be (and is I believe) a part of the main school syllabus.

*2. In your appearance before the committee, you also pointed out that Primary Ethics were the only current provider of SEE classes, and questioned whether there would perhaps be the opportunity for other providers to become involved. Would you like to see other organisations have the opportunity to provide the program? Or are you generally happy with Primary Ethics at this point in time?*

I would like to see the opportunity for other providers to become involved. I do not see why Primary Ethics should have a privileged position.