

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Senate Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Committee

Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2012

Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations

QUESTIONS:

1. Is this Bill considered regulation or quasi-regulation for the purposes of a requirement to prepare a RIS?
If not, why not?
2. Has a RIS been prepared?
If not, why not?
3. Has an exemption been sought or granted by the Prime Minister to not prepare a RIS?
If not, why not?

RESPONSES:

- 1 Yes.
- 2 No.

A Regulation Impact Statement (RIS) was not prepared because the Office of Best Practice Regulation (OBPR) advised that one was not necessary.

OBPR was aware that the communiqué issued by the National Workplace Relations Consultative Council on 25 May 2012, after its consideration of the draft Bill, relevantly stated:

The Council is of the in principle view that the changes proposed by the Minister will significantly improve the financial reporting framework, governance and accountability for registered organisations without generating any significant compliance burden.

- 3 No, because OBPR advised that a RIS was not necessary.