



Public Hearing - Canberra

Employment: increasing participation in paid work

Thursday 17 February 2005, 11:00am

The House Employment Committee will hold its final public hearing for the inquiry into strategies to increase participation in paid work in Australia.

At this roundtable hearing representatives from the Departments of Employment and Workplace Relations; Education, Science and Training; and the Treasury will appear.

In 2004, several pilot programs were underway to assist mature age workers, people with disabilities, Indigenous people, and parents develop job skills and secure paid employment. Australian Government Departments have been called to appear before the committee to give evidence on the outcomes of these programs, other Government initiatives and progress since July 2004. Also under discussion will be progress on the implementation of the Australian Technical Colleges

When: Thursday, 17 February 2005, 11:00am to 1:00pm

Where: Committee Room 1R1, Parliament House, Canberra

**Who: Department of Employment and Workplace Relations;
Department of Education, Science and Training; and
The Treasury**

The inquiry into increasing paid employment was commenced in the last Parliament. During that time, the Employment Committee amassed a large body of evidence; over 100 submissions were received and 20 public hearings were conducted across Australia.

Further details on the inquiry, including the terms of reference, background documents, and submissions received can be obtained on the Committee's website at <http://www.aph.gov.au/house/committee/ewrwp/paidwork/index.htm> or by contacting the committee secretariat on (02) 6277 4162 or emailing ewrwp.reps@aph.gov.au

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For background information

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