

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND**  
**INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO**  
**2010-11 Additional Estimates Hearings**

**Outcome Number:** 7

**Question No:** 202

**Topic:** Community Development Employment Projects (CDEP) program Work Experience and Strategic Indigenous Housing and Infrastructure Program (SIHIP) in Amoonguna

**Hansard Page:** Written

**Senator Siewert** asked:

If workers have been underpaid for the hours they have worked on a SIHIP or CWES project, will the government commit to assuring back-pay?

**Answer:**

CDEP participants engaged in SIHIP projects were paid for all hours worked at or above the applicable award rate.

Any hours worked on a SIHIP project, either by a CDEP participant or any other employee, are a matter between the individual and the employer. If a worker feels they have not been appropriately paid they can raise the matter with the Fair Work Ombudsman.