

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016

Agency - Fair Work Commission

Department of Employment Question No. EMSQ16-000714

Senator Ludwig provided in writing.

Question

FWC - Self initiated work

1. Does the department have a program for staff to engage in self-initiated work (projects, plans etc that are devised by staff without being directed by the minister's office or department management)?
2. Please list all ongoing projects. For each, please detail:
3. When did the project commence?
4. When is it expected to conclude?
5. What will the total cost of the project be?
6. Where did the money for the project come from?
7. Where is the project based?

Answer

The Fair Work Commission does not have a program for staff to engage in self-initiated work. The Fair Work Commission is an independent statutory tribunal. Its work is determined by legislation, namely the *Fair Work Act 2009* and the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009*.