Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Outcome 1 - Employment

Department of Employment Question No. EMSQ17-003997

Senator Marshall asked in writing

Question

PaTH - Monitoring

"How often will the Department run monitoring processes to see how many placements are turning into jobs at each company participating in the program?
 Will those numbers be publicly available?
 What declarations about future employment must businesses make before taking on participants?
Are there any automatic trips that will alert the Department to irregular results from the program, or will any displacement or churning cases need to be manually found in the data or referred externally? "

Answer

Employment providers have access to daily information on the number of interns placed with host businesses as well as the placements that have resulted in employment. Due to privacy reasons, the Department is not able to release business details.

To be eligible to host an intern, a business must confirm it has a reasonable prospect of employment for the intern following the internship. This means that the host business has a current vacancy, will likely have a vacancy following the internship, or has a regular pattern of recruitment for a position that is aligned with the intern's, interests, experience and qualification.

There will be a range of ongoing mechanisms and indicators to trigger reviews by the department. These will vary according to the information source and nature of the concern. This is consistent with the department's program assurance strategy which includes scalable detection and corrective actions.

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