

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Budget Estimates 2014-2015**

Agency - Fair Work Building & Construction

Department of Employment Question No. EM0580_15

Senator Cameron provided in writing.

Question

FWBC - Chair of Fair Work Building Industry Inspectorate Advisory Board

Is the Chair of the Fair Work Building Industry Inspectorate Advisory Board, Mr John Lloyd, a statutory office holder? Is Mr. Lloyd bound by the APS Code of Conduct and therefore required to uphold APS Values? If the Director considered that making a submission to the Education and Employment References Committee inquiry into the re-establishment of the ABCC would be inconsistent with the APS Code of Conduct and Values, particularly the duty to be apolitical, why was it not considered inappropriate for Mr Lloyd to do so?

Answer

Mr Lloyd is not a statutory office holder. As a part time office holder as Chair of the FWBC Advisory Board, Mr Lloyd provides recommendations to the agency on policy to ensure the agency is performing its functions appropriately. It was therefore more appropriate for Mr Lloyd to make a submission to the Committee than Mr Hadgkiss. The Chair of the Committee invited Mr Lloyd to make a brief opening statement. The invitation to make a statement is in accordance with the procedures of the Committee