

Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Question No: SBT 116 - 120

Topic: Fair Work Act

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Senator Abetz asked:

116. Has the Productivity Commission informed itself on any issues with the Fair Work Act?
a) If so, please provide any information including any recommendations or suggested courses of action.
117. How is the Fair Work Act working?
118. Are there any concerns with the Fair Work Act?
a) If so, please provide details.
119. Has the Productivity Commission produced any information – either internal or external – on how the Fair Work Act could be improved to have a greater benefit on Productivity?
a) If so, what?
b) If so, can that information be provided? – if so, please provide with answer.
120. Does the Productivity Commission believe that half a million jobs can be created between July 2011 and July 2012?

Answer:

- 116, 117, 118, 120. The Productivity Commission has not been commissioned by the Government to undertake any work on these matters.
119. No.