

**Economics Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education Portfolio  
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**AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND TERTIARY EDUCATION**

**TOPIC:** Ford job losses

**REFERENCE:** Written Question – Senator Bushby

**QUESTION No.:** SI-91

**QUESTION:** Prior to the specific announcement by Ford of 17 July 2012 of 440 job losses at the company, was the Government and/or Department provided with any indication of any kind that job losses at the company were impending? And, if so, who was told and when?

**ANSWER**

Ford informed Minister Combet's office on 16 July 2012.

The Department was informed by Minister Combet's office on 16 July 2012.

Ford provided the Department an under embargo copy of its media release regarding the announcement on the morning of 17 July 2012.