SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

2004-2005 ADDITIONAL SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING 17 FEBRUARY 2005

EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 1: Efficient and effective labour market assistance

Output Group 1.2: Labour market programme management and delivery

Outputs 1.2.2: Employment services

Question Number: W201-05

Ouestion:

Senator Wong asked at *Hansard* page 73:

Can the department provide a timeline of decisions in relation to the increase from \$303 000 to \$1.3 million for the DSP Pilot?

Answer:

Arrangements for the DSP pilot were considered by the Department's Employment Management Committee on 19 November 2003. The Committee agreed to a contribution from the Employment Innovation Fund of \$306 500 with an indicative figure for residual costs of \$930 000 to be met from Job Network Programme funding. Final settling of arrangements with pilot organisations and final site selection resulted in budgeted costs of \$303 000 from the IEF and \$1,030,000 from Job Network Programme funds, totalling \$1.33m. Pilot organisations were advised of the final funding arrangements to operate under the pilot on 5 December 2003.