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LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

OFFICE OF THE EMPLOYMENT ADVOCATE

Question Number: W770-06

Question:

Senator Wong asked in writing:

Does the OEA assess all AWAs against the No Disadvantage Test? Are there AWAs from some companies/businesses/representative bodies that are not automatically measured against the No Disadvantage Test? If yes, have there been instances where some AWAs from those organisations have not met the requirements against the No Disadvantage Test? Would that mean that OEA procedures have failed?

Answer:

Does the OEA assess all AWAs against the No Disadvantage Test?

Yes

Are there AWAs from some companies/businesses/representative bodies that are not automatically measured against the No Disadvantage Test?

No

If yes, have there been instances where some AWAs from those organisations have not met the requirements against the No Disadvantage Test?

This question is therefore not applicable (see above)

Would that mean that OEA procedures have failed?

No