

**SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION
LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**2005-2006 ADDITIONAL SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
16 FEBRUARY 2006
EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO**

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

**OFFICE OF THE AUSTRALIAN BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION
COMMISSIONER**

Outcome: Workplace Relations laws are enforced in building and construction industry workplaces

Question Number: W801-06

Question:

Senator Siewert asked in writing:

Is it appropriate for ABCC inspectors to highlight the seriousness of an alleged offence and to outline the possible extent of fines involved to a worker's partner or family member in delivering a summons?

Answer:

- All ABCC notices include a covering letter explaining in plain English what the notice requires. The letter also nominates a contact officer for questions arising from the notice.
- It is appropriate for an ABCC inspector to apply his or her best endeavours to ensure a notice is properly served on a person and to answer any questions regarding the notice.
- All ABCC notices must comply with the *Building and Construction Industry Improvement Regulations Amendment Regulations 2005 (No 1)*. The regulations specify the form that the notices must take.