

**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:** W817-06

**Question:**

Senator Siewert asked in writing:

When a worker is instructed to attend an ABCC hearing, what does the ABCC inspector advise the worker to tell his employer as to the reasons why the worker will be absent from work?

**Answer:**

- What a worker chooses to disclose to their employer is their own business. It would be inappropriate for an ABCC inspector to provide such advice.