

**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: W819-06

Question:

Senator Siewert asked in writing:

Are the powers of the ABCC consistent with and do they comply with international conventions regarding the freedom of association of workers and the right of workers and union to organise in the workplace?

Answer:

- The *Building and Construction Industry Improvement Act 2005* and the Regulations have been drafted to ensure that they comply, and are consistent with, Australia's international obligations.