

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

**2006-2007 ADDITIONAL SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
15 FEBRUARY 2007
EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO**

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 2: Higher productivity, higher pay workplace

Output Group 2.1: Workplace relations policy and analysis

Output 2.1.2: Workplace relations legislation development

Question Number: W1180-07

Question:

Senator Wong asked in writing:

Work Choices Amendments What other 'technical issues' or 'unintended consequences' of Work Choices have arisen?

- a) is DEWR currently undertaking specific work to identify such issues or consequences?
- b) Has DEWR been asked to research/analyse/review any technical issues or consequences by the Minister, his office or Department, if so, what issues and when?

Answer:

The Department monitors the implementation of legislation within the portfolio on an ongoing basis. The Department does not comment on the development of legislative options prior to the Government announcing an intention to make amendments.

Estimated cost: Based on the FOI calculator it has taken approximately 2 hours and 15 minutes at an estimated cost of \$44 to prepare this answer.