

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

**2006-2007 ADDITIONAL SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 2: Higher productivity, higher pay workplace

Output Group 2.2: Workplace relations implementation

Output 2.2.3: Workplace relations services

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Question:

Senator Wong asked in writing:

Unlawful Termination Assistance Scheme If an application for the scheme must be lodged within 14 days of the issuing for a certificate by the AIRC, how are employees made aware of this requirement? eg does DEWR provide (or require) information sheets for the AIRC to distribute to parties with the certificate?

Answer:

The Australian Industrial Relations Commission distributes information on the Unlawful Termination Assistance Scheme to all potential applicants following the conciliation hearing for their unlawful termination claim. The 14 day lodgement requirement is included in the information provided.

Information concerning the Scheme is also available on the WorkChoices website and through the WorkChoices Infoline Contact Centres.

Estimated cost: Based on the FOI calculator it has taken approximately 2 hours and 10 minutes at an estimated cost of \$40 to prepare this answer.