

**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 1: **Equality of Opportunity in Employment for Women**

Output Group: **Encouragement of Australian Employers to improve equal
opportunity outcomes for women in the workplace.**

Question Number: **W1379-07**

Question:

Senator Wong asked in writing:

Work participation EOWA has previously indicated that it has not held any discussions with the Office of Women regarding women's participation in the workforce given the welfare to work changes, and nor has it conducted any work or analysis on how the WorkChoices legislation will affect women a) is this still the case? b) does EOWA plan to complete any work or analysis on the impact of the WorkChoices legislation or the welfare to work legislation? If so, when and will this analysis be publicly released? If not, why not?

Answer:

a) EOWA has not held any discussions with the Office of Women regarding women's participation in the workforce. EOWA has not conducted any work or analysis on the WorkChoices legislation.

b) EOWA does not have any plans to complete any work or analysis on the impact of the WorkChoices legislation or the welfare to work legislation.