SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION. EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES 2008-09

Outcome/Agency 8

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Question

\$370.2 million in savings in employment services

CASH—I now refer to new employment services, looking at some modelling that has been done that was taken from your website. As we discussed before, with newly adjusted increased unemployment forecasts showing that up to 300,000 jobs will be lost by 2010, does the department intend to update the perceived flows for each stream under the new employment services model, or will the department adjust the flows to reflect the figures in the modelling?

Answer

Updates of the forward estimates for the new employment services model are currently being undertaken to allow for the increased unemployment forecasts and the early entry of redundant workers into Stream 2. Once the updates are completed it is intended to release new information pertaining to forecasted flows into each stream.