

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Senator Abetz asked on 10/02/2010, Hansard page 152.

Question

SAFETY, REHABILITATION AND COMPENSATION AMENDMENT BILL 2009

Senator ABETZ—Was any legal advice received by the minister or department in relation to the validity of the moratorium? I know I am not allowed to be told what that advice was, but I want to know whether advice was received...pre-moratorium or post-moratorium announcement of 11 December. If you could let me know that as well.

Answer

The Department obtained legal advice regarding the self-insurance provisions of the *Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 1988* (SRC Act) before and after the announcement of the moratorium on 11 December 2007.

The Department has provided advice to the Minister regarding the SRC Act.