Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace Relations

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2012-2013

Agency - Fair Work Commission

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Senator Abetz provided in writing.

Question

Establishment of the Road Safety Remuneration Tribunal

How was the RSRT established? Is it a division of the FWC? Will it administer its own budget and issue annual reports?

Answer

The Road Safety Remuneration Tribunal has provided the following response:

The RSRT was established under section 79 of the *Road Safety Remuneration Act* 2012.

The RSRT is a separate tribunal from the Fair Work Commission (FWC), however the tribunal includes four dual appointed members and is provided with administrative support by FWC staff.

The RSRT budget is administered by the FWC. The expense measure for establishment of the RSRT was an appropriation under the total FWC appropriation.

Under section 116 of the *Road Safety Remuneration Act 2012*, the President must as soon as practicable after the end of each financial year, prepare and give to the Minister, for presentation to the Parliament, a report on the operations of the Tribunal during that year.