

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

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2012-2013**

Outcome 4 - Workplace Relations and Economic Strategy

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Senator Abetz provided in writing.

Question

Fair Work Review recommendations - second tranche

When did the Department start drafting legislation in relation to the 'second tranche' of recommendations from the Fair Work Review? When did the Minister decide on the 'second tranche' of recommendations from the Fair Work Review?

Answer

The Department sent initial drafting instructions on the family friendly amendments in the Fair Work Amendment Bill 2013 (the Bill) to the Office of Parliamentary Council (OPC) on 12 February 2013. Ministerial approval for the family friendly package of amendments in the Bill was provided on 9 February 2013.

Policy approval and drafting instructions regarding the remaining elements of the Bill were received from the Minister and provided to OPC after these dates.