Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2013-2014

Agency - Fair Work Ombudsman

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Question

FWO - Discussions with MBA and HIA

Senator CAMERON: Can you take on notice what discussions you have had with the MBA and HIA in relation to this? Can you also advise me as to whether legal action has been considered against any of these companies? If not, why not? That would be helpful.

Answer

The Fair Work Ombudsman consulted widely with employer and employee associations and government as part of the Victorian Domestic Building Industry Apprenticeship Audit Program.

The Fair Work Ombudsman consulted with the following stakeholders about the audit program:

- Master Builders Association (Victoria)
- Housing Industry Association
- Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union
- Communications, Electrical and Plumbing Union of Australia
- the Australian Building and Construction Commission (now Fair Work Building and Construction)
- Skills Victoria
- the then Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations

All contraventions identified in this campaign were resolved by voluntary compliance.