

**SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION
LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**2005-2006 BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
30 ,31 MAY and 3 JUNE 2005**

EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 3: Increased Workforce Participation

Output Group 3.2: Labour Market Strategies

Outputs 3.2.3: CDEP Management

Question Number: W089-06

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Senator Crossin provided in writing:

CDEP Coordination and administration has been very difficult in the past due to heavy demands in liaison with Centrelink, the demands of reporting to ATSSIS, myriad of purchases needing adherence to procurement requirements etc. Simplification would be of potential great benefit in assisting real activities to improve, but how do you think simplification is possible – many remote CDEP's already work with fairly minimal staffing, and in the past departments have been unwilling to reduce their requirements?

Answer:

DEWR is proceeding with actions to streamline arrangements for CDEP organisations and is also undertaking developments to the CDEP Manager computer software to improve simplification of processes.