

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

**2006-2007 BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
29TH AND 30TH MAY 2006
EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO**

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 2: Higher productivity, higher pay workplace

Output Group 2.1: Workplace relations policy and analysis

Output 2.1.1: Workplace relations policy advice

Question Number: W105-07

Question:

Senator Sterle asked at *Hansard* pages 120 and 121:

In relation to the exclusion of journeys to and from work in some State jurisdictions who was consulted and what was the range of recommendations provided?

Answer:

This measure, which was announced in the 2006-07 Budget, adopts a recommendation of the Productivity Commission on page 187 in its Inquiry Report No. 27, *National Workers' Compensation and Occupational Health and Safety Frameworks*.

The Productivity Commission's Report followed an extensive public inquiry into a range of issues concerning workers' compensation and occupational health and safety. In the course of this inquiry, the Commission invited submissions from the public through advertisements in the national and metropolitan press. It consulted with stakeholders; conducted public hearings throughout Australia; and sought comments on its interim report. In all, the Commission received over 260 written submissions.