

**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: W150-07

Question:

Senator Wong asked in writing:

Has this government told or advised the AFPC that they should set a minimum wage rate for people who are eligible for a disability pension?

- a) Is it the government's intent that people with a disability will enjoy the protection of a minimum wage, or not?
- b) If it is, then why is it not a requirement of the Work Choice Act?

Answer:

a) and b) The Government has supported the establishment of the Australian Fair Pay Commission to determine minimum wages for employees, including those with a disability.