

**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 2.2: Workplace Relations Implementation

Output 2.2.1: Industry and Australian Government Employment Advice

Question Number: W153-07

Question:

Senator Wong asked in writing:

Are any further changes to the National Code presently contemplated? What is the nature of any contemplated changes?

Answer:

In his media release dated 5 April 2006, the Minister for Employment Workplace Relations foreshadowed a review of the ongoing need for the Code and Guidelines once the effects of the *Building and Construction Industry Improvement Act 2005* and the WorkChoices amendments to the *Workplace Relations Act 1996* on the building and construction industry become clearer. This review may or may not lead to amendments to the Code and/or Guidelines.