

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

**2006-2007 BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING  
29<sup>TH</sup> AND 30<sup>TH</sup> 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: W154-07**

**Question:**

Senator Wong asked in writing:

In a media release on 5 April 2006 the federal Minister has announced that the plans to legislate the National Code and Implementation Guidelines have been reversed and the Code and Guidelines will continue to be applied administratively.

Why has this policy change occurred?

**Answer:**

In his media release dated 5 April 2006, the Minister for Employment Workplace Relations stated that the Government has made this decision following feedback from industry that the administrative application of the Code and Guidelines was helping to stamp out a range of inappropriate workplace arrangements and practices.