

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

**2007-2008 BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
28 and 29 MAY 2007
EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO**

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 1: Efficient and effective labour market assistance

Output Group 1.2: Labour market programme management and delivery

Output 1.2.2: Employment services

Question Number: W200-08

Question:

Senator Siewert asked in writing:

1. Is there a requirement for a person to provide personal information on marital status, dependents and education levels for renewing a job seeker identity number in circumstances where person is not receiving or seeking any Centrelink benefits?
 - 1.1. If yes, why is that information required?
 - 1.2. If no, then if Centrelink staff have been requiring that information before renewing a job seeker number then they have been acting incorrectly.

Answer:

1. Yes
 - 1.1. Job seekers who contact Centrelink to regain access to employment services answer a range of standard questions aimed at capturing up to date information on job seeker's circumstances to assist Centrelink in providing information on employment and other assistance for which they may be eligible.
 - 1.2. Not applicable

Estimated cost: Using the FOI, calculator, to prepare this answer it has taken approximately 1.4 hours at an estimated cost of \$23.50.