

EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

**SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
2008-09 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING**

Outcome 9

DEEWR Question No. EW104_09

Senator Abetz provided in writing.

Question

Workplace Relations Reforms – Alternative Dispute Resolution

Is the Government expecting an increase in industrial disputes in the next 12 months?

Answer

No. As advised during the Committee hearings on 2 June 2008 (refer Hansard page 102), the 2008-09 allocation for the Alternative Dispute Resolution Assistance Scheme has not varied from that set in past years' forward estimates.

The forward estimates for the Alternative Dispute Resolution Assistance Scheme in 2007-2008 was \$1,561,000 and for 2008-2009 is \$2,495,000.