

EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

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

Outcome 9

DEEWR Question No. EW200_09

Senator Abetz provided in writing.

Question

Economic impact or modeling on workplace relations policies

If analysis has been undertaken:

- When was it prepared and by which agency/external consultant?
- What are the conclusions of this analysis?
- Will the analysis be made public?
- Is the analysis sufficiently rigorous, detailed and comprehensive to be definitive?

Answer

As stated in the Department's response to QoN EW199_09, the Department has not undertaken any modeling regarding the economic impacts of the Government's workplace relations policies. The Department did however prepare a submission to the Senate Inquiry into the Workplace Relations Amendment (Transition to Forward with Fairness) Bill 2008 (the Bill) which considered a range of matters regarding the Bill's impact.

The Department's submission was lodged on 29 February 2008 and is available at the Australian Parliament House website at

http://www.aph.gov.au/Senate/committee/eet_ctte/wr_tff08/submissions/sublist.htm.

The submission was based on the latest available research and data.