

EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

**SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Senator Abetz provided in writing.

Question

Economic impact or modelling on workplace relations policies

- If analysis has not been undertaken:
 - o Given that media reports have drawn attention to relevant economic analysis and modelling including Computable General Equilibrium modelling by Econtech for the Department in September 2007, has the available information been reviewed and provided to the minister?
 - o Will the department prepare detailed economic analysis, including modelling, with assistance from Treasury, on the workplace relations policies?

Answer

The modeling undertaken by Econtech for the Department in 2007 has not been reviewed as Econtech was not asked to model the Government's workplace relations policies.

The Department will continue to provide advice to the Government on a range of workplace relations matters and will liaise with Treasury as appropriate.