

EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

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

Outcome Australian Industrial Registry

DEEWR Question No. EW429-09

Senator Abetz provided in writing.

Question

Is it the government's intention to make these rules common rule awards?

Answer

The Australian Industrial Registry has provided the following response.

Section 576V of the Workplace Relations Act 1996 provides for who is to be bound by a modern award. A modern award must be expressed to bind specified employers and specified employees of employers bound by the modern award. Employers may be specified by name or by inclusion in a specified class or classes and the class may be described by reference to a particular industry or particular classes of work.