

EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

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

Outcome **WORKPLACE AUTHORITY**

Question No. **EW438_09**

Senator Abetz provided in writing.

Question

Budget cuts and impact on staffing and processing of agreements

Were these forced redundancies?

Answer

The Workplace Authority has provided the following response:

Under the provisions of the *Public Service Act 1999*, there is no distinction between voluntary or involuntary redundancy. As at 30 June all but one employee who had been offered a redundancy had accepted the offer.