

EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

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

Outcome 9

DEEWR Question No. EW595_09

Senator Fisher asked on 2 June 2008, EEWL Hansard page 110.

Question

Unlawful Termination Assistance Scheme

Are you able to provide a report of those 81 successful applicants?

Answer

Since the commencement of the Unlawful Termination Assistance Scheme, 82 of the 122 eligible applicants have elected to use their voucher to seek legal advice at an average cost of \$2722. Forty eligible applicants have not accessed the available financial assistance to date.

The Scheme does not report on whether or not applicants who use their voucher proceed to further action in relation to their unlawful termination claim after receiving legal advice. Provision of applicant details would require consent from each individual. Consent has not been sought as this would involve an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.