EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

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

Outcome 1

DEEWR Question No. EW699_09

Senator Fisher asked on 4 June 2008, EEWR Hansard page 120.

Question

Child Care Tax Rebate

- (a) How many child care centres, state by state, are charging over \$100 a day or \$500 a week for full-time care?
- (b) Did you look at what was done by the previous government in relation to CCTR and the increase in child care provider fees?

Answer

- (a) The most recent complete fee information is from the 2006 Australian Government Census of Child Care Services. At the time of the Census there was one service in New South Wales which had a weekly fee in excess of \$500.
- (b) The Department did not find an increase in gross child care fees above historical levels at the announcement or payment of the Child Care Tax Rebate.