SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION. EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE BUDGET ESTIMATES 2009-10

Agency Workplace Ombudsman

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Senator Humphries asked on 2 June 2009, EEWR Hansard page 30.

Question

Mr Campbell—We generally prosecute about 75 parties to the Workplace Relations Act per year. The vast majority last financial year was certainly employers. I do not have the exact data, but I know a small number of that did result from our targeted campaign work.

Senator HUMPHRIES—Only a small number?

Mr Campbell—Yes, only a small number. We could probably get that figure broken down for you, Senator. I would say that it would be in the vicinity of, say, five or 10

Answer

The Workplace Ombudsman has provided the following response:

During the 2008/09 financial year the Workplace Ombudsman commenced 6 litigations resulting from targeted campaigns.