

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Budget Estimates 2012-2013**

Agency - ABCC/FWBII

DEEWR Question No. EW0030_13

Senator Abetz asked in writing

Question

ABCC – FWBI Budget

The budget of the FWBI Inspectorate is set at \$30 million. This is considerably less than the \$37 million for the ABCC. Why has the budget been reduced?

Answer

Fair Work Building & Construction has provided the following response.

The full year ABCC expenditure budget for 2011-12 is \$35.381 million, as per page 358 of the ABCC 2011-12 Portfolio Budget Statements.

The full year FWBC expenditure budget for 2012-13 is \$31.737 million, as per page 308 of the FWBC 2012-13 Portfolio Budget Statements.

This represents a net expenditure budget reduction of \$3.644 million.

FWBC does not determine the budget allocation and therefore is not able to provide a reason for the difference.