

**SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION
LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**2006-2007 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
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EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 2: Higher productivity, higher pay workplaces

Output Group 2.1: Workplace relations policy and analysis

Output: 2.1.1 Workplace relations policy advice

Question Number: W587-07

Question:

Senator Marshall asked in writing:

Consultation

Could the department please detail the sort of consultations regarding the implementation of WorkChoices that have been undertaken with stakeholders that has been managed or conducted by DEWR over the past year? Has this consultation included small business in regional areas?

Answer:

DEWR has undertaken a range of consultations regarding the implementation of WorkChoices, including with small business in regional areas. In the past year these consultations have included meetings of the Workplace Relations Ministers Council, the National Workplace Relations Consultation Council, the Business Reference Group, and the activities of the Employer Advisory Programme and the Workplace Advisory Service.

Estimated cost: Based on the FOI calculator it has taken approximately 3 hours at an estimated cost of \$60 to prepare this answer.