

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

**2006-2007 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
2ND NOVEMBER 2006
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: W594-07

Question:

Senator Marshall asked in writing:

Has DEWR done any research on the employment or productivity benefits from the Government's proposed IR reforms? When was the last original research commissioned?

Answer:

As indicated at a Supplementary Budget Estimates hearing on 3 November 2005, the Department commissioned the Centre of Policy Studies (CoPS) at Monash University in 2005 to model the potential benefits of aspects of the Government's proposed workplace relations reforms.

Estimated cost: Based on the FOI calculator it has taken approximately 2 hours at an estimated cost of \$40 to prepare this answer.