

**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 2.2: Workplace relations implementation

Output 2.2.3: Workplace relations services

Question Number: W611-07

Question:

Senator Wong asked in writing: Will DEWR advise guest workers of their rights and responsibilities as workers in Australia and where to go to for help if their employer is paying them incorrectly?

Answer:

The department provides advice to all Australian employers and employees to ensure they are aware of their rights and responsibilities under the WorkChoices system. The Office of Workplace Services protects and enforces workplace conditions and provides assistance if an employee has been paid incorrectly.

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