

**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: W615-07

Question:

Senator Wong asked in writing:

Award Review Taskforce - report is titled 'Award Review Taskforce final Report on Rationalisation of Wage and Classification Structures'

Has DEWR made an assessment in relation to the ART's recommendation that section 206 of the Act be amended to give the ART more time to complete its work? What timeframe is DEWR considering now?

Answer:

No, as the issue is yet to be considered by the Australian Fair Pay Commission, which has responsibility for the rationalisation of wage and classification structures.

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