

**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 2.2: Workplace relations implementation

Output 2.2.3: Workplace relations services

Question Number: W651-07

Question:

Senator Wong asked in writing: Work Choices Implementation Agencies – Workplace Advisory Service What sorts of matters were dealt with during the seminars?

Answer:

A general overview of WorkChoices was provided during the WAS seminars. Topics included:

- Who is covered
- The Australian Fair Pay Commission
- The Fair Pay and Conditions Standard
- Agreement making
- Award protection
- The role of the Australian Industrial Relations Commission
- Unlawful termination
- New unfair dismissal laws
- Transitional arrangements
- Compliance and the role of the OWS

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