

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

**2006-2007 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING  
2<sup>ND</sup> NOVEMBER 2006**

**EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Outcome2: Higher productivity, higher pay workplaces**

**Output Group 2.2: Workplace relations implementation**

**Output 2.2.3: Workplace relations services**

**Question Number: W797-07**

**Question:**

Senator Wong asked in writing:

Minimum wage

How many employers who appear to be paying below the minimum wage have been reported to the office of the workplace services or other regulatory bodies? Is there a process in place to inform any individual who appears to be being paid below the minimum wage what their rights are?

**Answer:**

These data are not collected.

Where a Workplace Infoline advisor identifies, through information provided by the caller, that there may be issues with the payment of entitlements, depending on the circumstances of the client, the caller may be sent an OWS claim kit or directed immediately to the OWS.

The Workplace Infoline advisor is also able to provide detailed information on an individual's rights and entitlements under the Workplace Relations Act and their relevant industrial instrument.

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