

**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 3: Increased workforce participation

Output Group 3.1: Working age policy

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Question Number: W813-07

Question:

Senator Crossin asked in writing:

How do DEWR officers ensure that any such decision is a really informed decision - how long have communities been given to make decisions?

Answer:

The Australian Government consults with the community council, community leaders, community members and employment service providers to ensure all individuals affected by the removal of RAEs are informed of their requirements once RAEs are removed. During the consultation process, DEWR develops an implementation plan using input from the community and service providers.