

**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: W814-07

Question:

Senator Crossin asked in writing:

What would happen to a community if it refused to agree to the lifting of the RAE?

Answer:

Under the *Social Security Act 1991*, RAEs are only applicable to individuals who have no locally accessible labour market, no locally accessible vocational training course or no locally accessible labour market programme. Where participation opportunities are available, individuals are not legally entitled to a RAE.