

**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**

**Outcome 3: Increased workforce participation**

**Output Group 3.2: Labour market strategies**

**Output 3.2.1: Labour Market Analysis**

**Question Number: W863-07**

**Question:**

Senator Wong asked in writing:

**Other matters**

- (a) Regarding W054-07, has the Government formulated a response yet to the question Senator Carr asked regarding details of the formula under consideration with DIMA for assessing, in the context of employers' applications to become sponsors under visa subclass 457 arrangements, the training record or performance of the employer applicants?
- (b) What are the factors you are taking into consideration?
- (c) Have you decided on a formula?
- (d) If so, what is it?
- (e) Does it vary by industry?
- (f) If so, please provide details by industry.

**Answer:**

- (a) This matter is under consideration, in consultation with relevant portfolios and State and Territory governments. It would be inappropriate to speculate on the outcome of this consideration.
- (b) See (a) above.
- (c) See (a) above.
- (d) See (a) above.
- (e) See (a) above.
- (f) See (a) above.