

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

**2006-2007 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
2ND NOVEMBER 2006**

EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 1: Efficient and effective labour market assistance

Output Group 1.2: Labour market programme management and delivery

Output 1.2.5: Employment preparation services

Question Number: W928-07

Question:

Senator Wong asked in writing: Personal Support Programme. How is funding allocated within the programme? What is the average cost per client? Can you break down the appropriation?

Answer:

Funding to Personal Support Programme (PSP) providers is based on service fees and outcome payments for social and economic outcomes. On average a PSP Provider will be paid a total of \$3,630 (which includes service fees and outcome payments) for a PSP participant achieving a social outcome and \$4,015 (which includes service fees and outcome payments) for a PSP participant achieving an economic outcome.

The 2006–07 appropriation for PSP is \$84.565 million.

Under the Commonwealth's output and outcome based budgeting and reporting framework, agencies are not required to report below the output level. In addition, in line with this framework, resources are managed at the output level. The 2006-07 appropriation for PSP is \$84.565 million.