

**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 1.1: Working age payments

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Question Number: W954-07

Question:

Senator Wong asked in writing: Pensioner Education Supplementation. Why are the estimates lower for this year than last year's actual?

Answer:

The Pensioner Education Supplement estimate for 2006-07 is lower than the 2005-06 actuals due to the recent trends of declining populations for both Parenting Payment Single (PPS) and Disability Support Pension (DSP), who represent the majority of PES recipients.