

EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

**SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE – QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
2008-09 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING**

Outcome **Agency – Office of the Australian Building and Construction
Commissioner**

DEEWR Question No. EW921_09

Senator Collins asked on 23 October 2008, EEW R Hansard page 127

Question

Legal Advice

Would you please furnish the committee with the reason why that legal advice cannot be made available?

Answer

The Office of the Australian Building & Construction Commissioner has provided the following response.

Legal advice falls within the scope of legal professional privilege and hence within the scope of the public interest immunity contemplated by the *Government Guidelines for Official Witnesses before Parliamentary Committees*.