Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace Relations

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Supplementary Budget Estimates 2011-2012

Agency - Fair Work Ombudsman

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Question

FWO - Taste of Tasmania campaign

Senator BILYK: Is the Taste of Tasmania campaign continuing? Are you able to tell me that? Mr Ronson: I have no reason to believe it will not occur again. Senator BILYK: And compliance rates have improved, I understand, since that began a few years back? Mr Ronson: I do not have the— Senator BILYK: Maybe you could take that on notice— Mr Ronson: We will. Senator BILYK: and just let me know. I am fairly interested in that.

Answer

The Fair Work Ombudsman provided the following response.

When the Fair Work Ombudsman conducted the first Taste of Tasmania Targeted Campaign in 2007-2008, fourteen (67%) of the employers audited were found not to be meeting their obligations under the relevant Award and/or the *Workplace Relations Act 1996*.

Eight of the fourteen employers were selected for a follow-up campaign in 2009-2010. The Fair Work Ombudsman found that one employer was not fully compliant whilst seven employers were now fully compliant with their obligations.