

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Senator Abetz provided in writing.

Question

SAFE RATES, SAFE ROADS - VIEWS OF THE AI GROUP

What have been the views of the AI Group? Do they support any of the models in the discussion paper?

Answer

As set out in its submission and a media release on 16 February 2011, the Australian Industry Group's (Ai Group) view is that safety in the road transport industry requires a whole-of-government approach, with a focus on those measures widely recognised as improving safety. In its submission the Ai Group states that these measures include appropriate regulation, such as the fatigue laws, along with strong compliance and enforcement mechanisms, public education campaigns and codes of practice. The Ai Group does not support a model focussing only on remuneration for employee drivers and owner drivers.