

Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace Relations

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Budget Estimates 2012-2013**

Agency - Comcare

DEEWR Question No. EW0207_13

Senator Abetz asked on 28 May 2012, Hansard page 85

Question

Comcare - Current status of two employees suspended in October 2010

Senator ABETZ: Thank you for that. Let us move on to another federal agency, ANSTO. I hope this number means something to you. I have been told that there is a recent Comcare report entitled Request for access to investigation report: EVE000204874, which references the suspension of two employees in October 2010. Mr O'Connor: I cannot verify the number of the report, but certainly we received three freedom of information requests in February this year for the investigation report and each of the parties who requested it was provided a redacted copy of that report. Senator ABETZ: What is the current status of the employees in question? Mr O'Connor: I will not guess, Senator. Mr Kibble: We will take that on notice.

Answer

Comcare has provided the following response.

The two workers who raised concerns to Comcare are ongoing employees with ANSTO and have returned to work.

Comcare is satisfied that ANSTO are undertaking their duties to monitor the health and wellbeing of these workers to ensure they are supported in the workplace.