

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

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

Agency - Fair Work Australia

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Senator Abetz asked on 29 May 2012 , Hansard page 95

Question

FWA - Notification to parties of instigation of investigation

Senator ABETZ: Good, thank you, just so we do not labour under any misapprehension. Then, 1.b iii, Mr Williams suggests that the forms of notification to parties of the instigation of the two investigations should be drawn up and issued. Are we able to be told if that occurred and when? Ms O'Neill: I will take it on notice. I believe so. Senator ABETZ: Well, chances are the forms were drawn up and issued. The issue is, when? Ms O'Neill: I will have to take that on notice.

Answer

Fair Work Australia has provided the following response.

On 26 March 2010 the Delegate wrote to the National Secretary of the HSU, Ms Kathy Jackson, advising her that he had commenced an investigation under section 331 of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009*.

On 27 April 2010 the Delegate commenced an investigation under section 331 of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* into the Victoria No.1 Branch of the HSU. On 22 June 2010 the Delegate wrote to Mr Michael Williamson, in his capacity as General Secretary of HSU East Branch (which was created by the merger of the New South Wales Branch, the Victoria No.1 Branch and the Victoria No.3 Branch of the HSU) advising him that he had commenced an investigation under section 331 of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* into the Victoria No.1 Branch of the HSU.