SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

2006-2007 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING 2ND NOVEMBER 2006 EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 1: Efficient and effective labour market assistance

Output Group 1.2: Labour Market Programme Management and Delivery

Output 1.2.4: Mutual Obligation initiatives

Question Number: W1049-07

Question:

Senator Wong gave the following question on notice:

<u>Compliance</u>: how many participation failures have resulted in (a) suspension of payment until compliance with the original requirement? (b) suspension of payment for 8 weeks?

Answer:

- (a) This data is not currently available.
- (b) From 1 July 2006 until 17 November 2006, 1,317 eight week non payment periods have been applied by Centrelink as a result of a third or repeated participation failure