SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

2006-2007 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING $2^{\rm ND}$ NOVEMBER 2006 EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Corporate

Question Number: W583-07

Question:

Senator Wong asked in writing: Please give figures for DEWR's appeals to the AAT for this year and the past three years.

Answer:

In 2005/06, DEWR filed 193 applications in the AAT for review of decisions of the Social Security Appeals Tribunal (SSAT).

Pursuant to Administrative Arrangement Orders, DEWR acquired policy responsibility for working age payments under the Social Security Law in October 2004. Accordingly, the 2005/06 year is the first full year in which DEWR has been responsible for AAT Appeals of SSAT decisions.