

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND
EMPLOYMENT**

**INQUIRY INTO THE APPROPRIATENESS AND EFFECTIVENESS OF THE
OBJECTIVES, DESIGN, IMPLEMENTATION AND EVALUATION OF
JOBACTIVE – 14 NOVEMBER 2018
ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**

Department of Social Services

Topic: Community Environment Network

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Question: The department clarify if CEN is entitled to receive the subsidy in part or in full for the employment of Mr John Grayndler and if so, advise why CEN did not receive the subsidy?

Answer: The Restart policy is administered by the Department of Jobs and Small Business (DJSB). The subsidy is available to participants in a number of employment programs, including the Disability Employment Services (DES) program administered by the Department of Social Services.

It is a requirement of the Managing Wage Subsidy Guideline that for an employer to qualify for a Restart wage subsidy, the participant must work at least 20 hours a week, averaged over the duration of the Restart Agreement. Therefore, CEN is not entitled to receive the subsidy for Mr Grayndler.