

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT

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## Small business - the backbone of the building and construction industry

Master Builders Australia (MBA) will represent small businesses in the building and construction industry tomorrow, at an Education and Employment Committee public hearing.

As stated by MBA, small businesses are not just "big businesses in miniature". They have significant differences to larger enterprises and are faced with different challenges.

The committee will hear what these challenges are for MBA stakeholders, specifically in relation to the creation of employment opportunities.

Five of the 10 fastest growing industries in small business are tied to building and construction, according to recent research.

"The building and construction industry is a major economic driver and one which, if supported, can boost employment opportunities and skilling for our countries future tradespeople," said the Committee Chair, Ewen Jones MP.

Details of the hearing are as follows:

**Date:** Wednesday, 24 June 2015 **Time:** 11:20 am – 12:45 pm

Venue: Committee Room 1R4, Parliament House, Canberra

Submissions to this inquiry have now closed. For further information about this inquiry please visit the committee's website at <a href="https://www.aph.gov.au/SmallBusinessEmployment">www.aph.gov.au/SmallBusinessEmployment</a> or contact the secretariat on (02) 6277 4573.

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