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Question

Superannuation contributions

Senator LINES: Yes. Do you have the data on the number of members and the flow of superannuation contributions being made under the clause in the modern award which says 'any super fund to which the employer was making superannuation contributions for the benefit of its employees before September 2008', and it goes on.

Mr Cully: No, we do not have that data.

Senator LINES: Can you get that data?

Mr Cully: I am not sure that we necessarily would have the data. I assume it would go to individual employers and how many employees they would have. I do not know that we would be in a position to get that.

Ms Parker: We can check for you, though.

Senator LINES: Thank you. Do you have data on which super fund employers are paying default superannuation contributions into under this clause?

Mr Cully: We can look into that. Sorry; I do not have it on hand.

Answer

The department does not have data on the number of members, flow of superannuation contributions or which funds contributions are being paid into under the superannuation fund clause in modern awards that allows employers to continue to use pre-September 2008 superannuation funds in certain circumstances.

As far as the department is aware, the requested data and information is not available from any source.