Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

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Senator Cameron provided in writing.

Question

Work for the Dole requirements and outcomes

1. Will job seekers be excused from Work for the Dole on any given day where they may have job seeker commitments such as interviews? 2. Statistics suggest that only 35% of people who participate in Work for the Dole go on to get jobs , how will the Government address this? 3. Will single parents be forced to participate in Work for the Dole when their youngest child reaches a certain age? If so, what age will this be?

Answer

The Government is considering options for implementing its election commitment to make Work for the Dole mandatory for the Long Term Unemployed aged under 50 years of age and announcements will be made in due course.