

## **Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment**

### **QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Supplementary Budget Estimates 2016 - 2017**

#### **Outcome 1 - Employment**

**Department of Employment Question No. EMSQ16-001010**

**Senator Marshall provided in writing.**

#### **Question**

##### **Youth Jobs PaTH - intern hourly rate**

- What is the hourly rate for an intern who participates in the PaTH program and works the maximum 25 hours per week? (~\$14.50 per hour if Newstart payment and \$200 bonus are added together)

#### **Answer**

A Youth Jobs PaTH Internship is not a job, it is supervised work experience. Youth Jobs PaTH interns are not employees and will continue to receive income support rather than a wage. Accordingly there is no hourly rate. PaTH internship placements, as with other existing work experience placements in employment services, will be covered by provisions in the Social Security Act which provide that participating in a Youth Jobs PaTH internship does not make that person an employee under the Fair Work Act.