SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

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EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Indigenous Business Australia

Question Number: W292-05

Question:

Senator Carr asked in writing:

How will the activities of IBA and the BDP be integrated with other Indigenous programs?

Answer:

Upon proclamation of the legislation, IBA now has responsibility for BDP and HOP. With the transfer of staff, it will have a network of resources at the ICC level. At the national level, IBA will continue to work closely with DEWR and more generally with other agencies seeking to promote business activity in particular sectors (such as tourism).

IBA is committed to the whole of government approach to service delivery, and will participate in the ICC's and in the establishment of SRA's to ensure a co-ordinated approach to service delivery by all Government agencies particularly with regard to the delivery of economic and business development opportunities.