SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

2006-2007 ADDITIONAL SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING 15 FEBRUARY 2007 EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

OUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 2: Higher productivity, higher pay workplace

Output Group 2.2: Workplace relations implementation

Output 2.2.3: Workplace relations services

Question Number: W1240-07

Question:

Senator Wong asked in writing:

Employer Advisor Programme According to W643-07, DEWR does not keep information on a) the number of seats available b) the number of participants registered c) total cost d) venue cost e) catering costs or f) cost of handout items for the employer advisory seminars. Given this, a) How does DEWR measure the success of these seminars if it does not collect information on the above? b) Are the organisations which are contracted to provide the employer advisor seminars obliged to keep this information and/or report back? If so, please table the requested information in W643-07. If not, how does DEWR ensure that taxpayers' money is being spent correctly by these organisations?

Answer:

The collection of events data through the reporting obligations of providers assists the Department to evaluate the Employer Advisor Programme.

DEWR monitors services delivered against contracted requirements.

Estimated cost: Based on the FOI calculator it has taken approximately 2 hours and 10 minutes at an estimated cost of \$40 to prepare this answer.