Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace Relations

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Senator Cash provided in writing.

Question

Domestic Violence Toolkit

 How many businesses, employers and/or union groups has this kit been distributed to?
 How many employers have downloaded the kit from the website?
 How many enquiries have been received regarding the kit?

Answer

The Domestic Violence Toolkit is a booklet titled 'Keeping you and your job safe' which provides advice for employees experiencing domestic violence and which was developed and distributed by the Australian Domestic and family Violence Clearinghouse (the Clearinghouse).

The Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations has consulted with the Clearinghouse and has provided the following responses.

- 1. The booklet is predominantly aimed at employees. The booklet has been provided to unions and domestic violence services, such as working women's services and not-for-profit organisations, to distribute to domestic violence victims and employees. Copies were also provided to the Chambers of Commerce in each state and territory. As at 25 March 2013 over 4900 copies of the booklet had been distributed.
- 2. The Clearinghouse does not record the identity of people downloading the booklet from the website. As such, it is unknown how many employers have downloaded the booklet. As at 25 March 2013 the booklet had been viewed 2486 times.
- 3. As at 12 March 2013 the Clearinghouse had received approximately 85 inquiries about supplying batches of the booklet for distribution.