

## EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

### SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2004-2005 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

#### **DEST Question No. E167\_05**

Senator Carr asked on 2 June 2004, EWRE Hansard page 19.

#### **Question:**

What other (industrial) issues were there (which led to an industrial dispute in April)? ...  
What other issues are causing difficulty?

#### **Answer:**

*ANSTO – Industrial Issues*

*ANSTO has provided the following response:*

On Monday 5 April 2004 following an application by ANSTO, the AIRC issued S127 orders requiring the cessation of industrial bans and a return to work in respect of AMWU members employed as HIFAR operators. The bans were imposed on or around 11 pm on Friday 2 April 2004.

On Tuesday 6 April 2004, the AMWU lodged a dispute in the AIRC. The dispute notification identified the following issue as matters in dispute.

1. Failure to undertake meaningful consultation
2. Use of individual contracts
3. Introduction of a 5 shift roster for the RRR
4. Breach of contract of employment
5. Coercion of employees
6. Training and development of existing employees

This matter is listed for hearing in August.