

**SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION
LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**2005-2006 BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
30 ,31 MAY and 3 JUNE 2005**

EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 3: Increased workforce participation

Output Group 3.1: Working age policy

Outputs 3.1.1: Working Age Policy and Legislation

Question Number: W154-06

Question:

Senator Wong provided in writing:

How will the rate of payment be determined for participants?

Answer:

The rate of the Wage Assist payment will be the equivalent of the current average rate of Newstart Allowance (around \$350 per fortnight).