EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2008-09 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome WORKPLACE AUTHORITY

Question No. EW457_09

Senator Abetz provided in writing.

Question

Budget cuts and impact on staffing and processing of agreements

How will this impact on agency agreement processing turnaround times?

Answer

The Workplace Authority has provided the following response:

The Workplace Authority has been provided with sufficient budget to manage its allocated workload.

The Workplace Authority budget provides funding for 729 full time employees (refer page 286 of Portfolio Budget Statements 2008-09). Non-ongoing staff will be replaced by ongoing staff within this budget allocation, ensuring that staffing levels will deliver on the performance targets set for 2008-09.