

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Budget Estimates 2012-2013**

Outcome 4 – Workplace Relations and Economic Strategy

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Question

Findings from reports into HSU

Senator ABETZ: Can you tell us whether, out of the 181 findings, the government has looked at any of them and had discussions with Fair Work Australia about those findings? Senator Ludwig: I have not. I can refer those to Minister Shorten and take them on notice.

Answer

The Minister has considered the findings of the Fair Work Australia investigation into the Health Services Union National Office. Fair Work Australia is an independent statutory agency which has indicated an intention to initiate civil proceedings as a result of the investigation. As such, the Minister has not held any discussions with Fair Work Australia in relation to the investigation's findings.