SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

2003-2004 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING 6 NOVEMBER

EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 1: An effectively functioning labour market

Output Group 1.1: Labour market policy and analysis

Question Number: W257-04

Question:

Senator Webber asked in writing:

The Department participated in the Interdepartmental Work and Family Taskforce. A particular focus is how arrangements might better assist parents at various stages including the transition to parenthood and back to paid work after caring full-time. What were some of the "on the ground" outcomes for jobless families?

Answer:

The Work and Family Taskforce reports to the Prime Minister, and the department cannot answer questions on this issue before the outcomes are announced publicly.