

**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

Output 1.1.2: Research, Evaluation and Reporting

Question Number: W273-04

Question:

Senator Campbell asked at *Hansard* page 93:

Can the department confirm if either Minister Abbott or Minister Anthony or any of their staff, contacted the department on 22 July regarding the estimates of youth unemployment which had been sent to the local media?

Answer:

A staff member in Minister Abbott's Office provided the Department with a copy of the press release on youth unemployment which was issued by the Shadow Minister for Education, Employment and Training. The Department subsequently advised the Parliamentary Library of the error and provided the correct data.