

EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

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

Outcome 8

DEEWR Question No. EW899_09

Senator Cash asked on Thursday 23 October 2008, EEWHR Hansard page 63.

Question

Request for breakdown of the estimated saving for employment services in 2009-12

Senator CASH—Is it possible for you to provide the information in relation to where the \$279.8 million worth of savings in the employment services area has come from?

Mr Carters—We will take that on notice and see what we can do, but, as I said, the models are very different, so it is not necessarily easy.

Senator CASH—If you could take that on notice and provide the information, that would be great.

Answer

As advised in the response to the Senate Estimates Question on Notice EW262_09, as the new Employment Services are not based on the current model it is not possible to isolate the specific areas of saving and hence provide an exact breakdown.

In general terms the savings have been achieved by reducing red tape and unnecessary administration.