

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH REGULATIONS

4615. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Commerce

I refer to the Occupational Safety and Health regulations surrounding the use of electricity, and I ask —

- (1) Does AS/NZS 1801 apply to manufacturing industries?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?

Hon SIMON O'BRIEN replied:

- (1) Yes. Regulation 3.33 of the Occupational Safety and Health Regulations 1996 requires that if a hazard in a workplace, including manufacturing industries, is identified and the assessment process concludes that it can be reduced by the use of personal protective equipment then the items selected must be in accordance with those set down in the table contained in that regulation. That table lists safety helmets in accordance with standard AS/NZS 1801
- (2) Not applicable.