



Hon Bill Johnston MLA
Minister for Mines and Petroleum; Commerce and Industrial Relations,
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Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC
Chair
Standing Committee on Estimates and Financial Operations
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Dear Ms *Alanna* Clohesy

2018-19 Budget Estimates – Questions Prior to Hearings

I refer to your letter dated 21 May 2018 in relation to the 2018-19 Budget Estimates – Questions Prior to Hearings.

As requested, please find attached response to the questions posed to WorkCover WA.

Yours sincerely

Hon Bill Johnston MLA
Minister for Mines and Petroleum; Commerce and Industrial Relations;
Electoral Affairs; Asian Engagement

Att.

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**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES AND
FINANCIAL OPERATIONS**

QUESTIONS PRIOR TO HEARING

WorkCover Western Australia Authority

Hon Peter Collier MLC asked:

1. How many Aboriginal people were employed by the agency/department on July 1st 2017 and April 30th 2018?

Answer:

1 July 2017:	3
30 April 2018:	4

2. How many Aboriginal people employed by the agency/department were Level 8 and above (including Senior Executive Service positions) on July 1st 2017 and April 30th 2018?

Answer: Nil

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QUESTIONS PRIOR TO HEARING

WorkCover Western Australia Authority

Hon Nick Goiran MLC asked:

I refer to the Legislative Review project, and I ask:

1. How much funding has been allocated to this for 2018/19;

Answer: \$50,000

2. How much funding is expected to have been expended on this in 2017/18;

Answer: \$14,500

3. How much funding was expended on this in each financial year since Workcover WA initiated a two stage review in 2009; and

Answer: See Table 1.

Table 1 – Expenditure Since 2009 Legislative Review

Financial year	Amount	Comment
2011/12	\$42,618	Phase 1 implementation
2012/13	Nil	
2013/14	\$19,384	Phase 2 - Actuarial services and printing
2014/15	\$1,765	Phase 2 - Printing of drafting instructions
2015/16	Nil	
2016/17	Nil	
2017/18	\$14,500	Actuarial services on <i>Workers' Compensation and Injury Management Amendment Bill 2017</i> .

4. What was the cost of producing the Final Report publicly released in June 2014:

Answer: \$1,958

- a) Was the express consent of the Combined Small Business Alliance of Western Australia obtained for its name to be revealed in the Final Report;
- i) If yes, on what date was this consent obtained;
- Answer:** Yes; 30 April 2014
- ii) Was this consent sought or provided in writing;
- Answer:** Yes.
- iii) Will you table the documents seeking consent, if so when; and
- Answer:** Yes, the document is at Appendix One.
- iv) Will you table the documents providing consent, if so when;
- Answer:** Yes, the document is at Appendix One.
- b) Was the express consent of Unions WA obtained for its name to be revealed in the Final Report;
- i) If yes, on what date was this consent obtained;
- Answer:** Yes; 30 April 2014
- ii) Was this consent sought or provided in writing;
- Answer:** No. Verbal consent sought and provided by telephone on 30 April 2014 by Unions WA Assistant Secretary.
- iii) Will you table the documents seeking consent, if so when; and
- Answer:** Not applicable. The consent requested was by telephone on 30 April 2014 directed to the Unions WA Assistant Secretary.
- iv) Will you table the documents providing consent, if so when; and
- Answer:** Not applicable. The consent was provided verbally by telephone from the Unions WA Assistant Secretary on 30 April 2014.
- c) Was the express consent obtained of any other stakeholder who made a submission for their name to be revealed in the Final Report;

Answer: Yes.

i) If yes, who were those stakeholders?

Answer:

1. Asbestos Diseases Society of WA
2. Australian Petroleum Production and Exploration Association Limited
3. Australian Rehabilitation Providers Association Western Australia
4. Audiological Society of Australia
5. Chamber of Commerce and Industry Western Australia
6. CGU Insurance (Western Australia)
7. Chamber of Minerals and Energy
8. CLP Legal
9. Department of Mines and Petroleum
10. Faculty of Pain Medicine
11. Insurance Council of Australia Limited
12. Insurance Commission of Western Australia
13. Law Society of WA
14. LGIS WorkCare (Western Australia)
15. National Insurance Brokers Association of Australia
16. The Australian Pain Society
17. PricewaterhouseCoopers (Western Australia)
18. QBE Insurance (Australia) Limited
19. Rio Tinto Limited (Western Australia)
20. Self Insurer's Association of Western Australia
21. Slater & Gordon Lawyers
22. Unions WA
23. Department of Commerce, WorkSafe division

Appendix 1

Consent obtained from Combined Small Business Alliance of WA

Tom Samuels

Subject: Review of the Workers' Compensation and Injury Management Act

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, 30 April 2014 2:34 PM
To: Tom Samuels <[REDACTED]>
Cc: CoSBA Committee of Management [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Review of the Workers' Compensation and Injury Management Act



Combined Small Business Alliance of WA

TOM: Thank you for your email and in response we would have no objection to WorkCover WA referring to CoSBA in the manner outlined in your advice below.

Chief Executive Officer
Email: [REDACTED]
PO Box 2237, MIDLAND DC WA 6936

On 30/04/14 11:52 AM, "Tom Samuels" [REDACTED] wrote:

Dear [REDACTED]

I am writing in relation to the Combined Small Business Alliance's submission into the current review of the *Workers' Compensation and Injury Management Act 1981*.

WorkCover WA is in the process of completing the Final Report in consideration of stakeholder feedback. The Final Report will not include stakeholder submissions in full, however, in some areas stakeholder views have been identified based on their submissions. WorkCover WA also intends to include, as an appendix to the report, a consolidated list of organisations who made a submission into the review.

Accordingly, we are seeking permission to refer to CoSBA in the manner outlined above. It would be greatly appreciated if you could confirm whether this is appropriate by return email. If you would like to discuss the matter, please contact me on the details below.

Kind regards

Tom Samuels | Senior Policy Officer
Policy and Legislative Services



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