

SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE ON AUSTRALIA'S FOOD PROCESSING SECTOR

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Ms Morehead: With the review, Fair Work Australia accepted applications to vary awards, and they were all submitted by 8 March. They received 282 applications to vary awards. There were applications to vary 85 of the 122 modern awards. For example, there were eight applications made to vary the Food, Beverage and Tobacco Manufacturing Award. I am not sure we have information with us on the Horticulture Award but we could get that for you.

INFORMATION:

There were no specific applications to vary the Horticulture Award 2010 during the two year modern award review.

4 general applications have been received in relation to provisions contained in multiple awards, including the Horticulture Award 2010. These are as follows:

- AM2012/18: Application made by Queensland - Training and Employment Recognition Council seeking the National Training Wage Schedule to be annexed to all Fair Work Australia modern awards. This is relevant in context of the Horticulture Award 2010 as the award currently contains the National Training Wage Schedule.
- AM2012/128: Application made by Australian Industry Group seeking technical amendments relating to the National Training Wage Schedule. As mentioned above, this is relevant in context of the Horticulture Award 2010 as the award currently contains the National Training Wage Schedule.
- AM2012/134: General application from the ACTU for various public holiday provisions in respect of 111 awards. The Horticulture Award 2010 is one of these awards.
- AM2012/221: Review sought by the Australian Industry Group of the Model Award Flexibility Clause which appears in all modern awards.

Link to the two year modern award review page on the Fair Work Australia website:

http://www.fwa.gov.au/documents/modern_awards/award/ma000028/default.htm