

Workers Compensation - Noise Induced Hearing Loss

Mr BEHRAKIS question to MINISTER for SMALL BUSINESS and CONSUMER AFFAIRS

I have been contacted by local constituents regarding the requirement for workers affected by noise-induced hearing loss to make claims within six months of leaving their employer. Given the onset of symptoms is often not experienced until many years later, this requirement can affect their ability to make claims and consequently receive compensation and support.

What is being done to ensure that Tasmanian workers are being appropriately supported and compensated after experiencing work-related hearing loss, and will you consider reviewing the *Workers Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 1988*?