

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES – 26 – 27 MAY 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

**(BE14/102) PROGRAMME – 1.3: Migration, Border Management and
Citizenship**

Senator Carr (L&CA 79) asked:

Senator KIM CARR: I would like you to specifically advise the committee as to why there were no TAFE providers in Western Australia or Queensland that met the immigration risk criteria? Are you able to do that?

Mr Bowles: We will take it on notice.

Answer:

TAFE institutions from Western Australia and Queensland were not invited to participate in the extended streamlined visa processing arrangements, introduced on 22 March 2014, as they were not registered to deliver bachelor, masters or doctoral degrees and thus did not meet the eligibility criteria for participation.