

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 20 OCTOBER 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(SE14/419) PROGRAMME – 1.2: Visa and Citizenship

Senator Carr (Written) asked:

Since the previous estimates hearing in May 2014:

- a. How many active sponsors are there currently under the program?
- b. How many of these sponsors are monitored?
- c. How many of these sponsors are sanctioned?
- d. How many of these sponsors have been formally warned?
- e. How many of these sponsors have received an infringement notice?

Answer:

- (a) As at 30 November 2014, there were 36 634 active sponsors of at least one primary 457 visa holder in Australia.
- (b) Between 1 June and 30 November 2014, 1 121 sponsors were monitored.
- (c) Between 1 June and 30 November 2014, 176 sponsors were sanctioned.
- (d) Between 1 June and 30 November 2014, 154 sponsors were formally warned.
- (e) Between 1 June and 30 November 2014, 6 sponsors were issued with an infringement notice.