

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

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IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(1) Output: Internal Product

Senator Ludwig (L&CA 4) asked:

Provide a copy of the exact break-up of the ministerial responsibilities and the staffing of both the ministerial and the parliamentary secretary offices.

Answer:

The Minister for Immigration and Citizenship is responsible for all matters relating to immigration and citizenship not delegated to his parliamentary secretary.

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship is responsible for:

- Multicultural Affairs
- Settlement
- Language Services
- Temporary Entry Policies and Programmes (with the exception of s457 temporary entrants).
- Migration Agents Liaison and Monitoring
- Regional Migration Programmes
- Oversight of the development of Client Service Improvement Programmes and Detention Health Improvement Programmes.
- All legislation associated with her responsibilities; and
- All correspondence related to the above responsibilities, as well as other non-critical correspondence as advised.

Staffing numbers are a matter for the Minister and Assistant Minister to address.