QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

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IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(40) Output 1.1: Migration and Temporary Entry

Senator Crossin (L&CA 32) asked:

Can you tell me how many agreements specify that any position must be advertised in Australia before a 457 visa can be sponsored?

Answer:

Current labour agreements require a commitment from employers over the life of the agreements to conduct recruitment campaigns (in the print media, professional journals and relevant websites) for the occupations covered by the agreements. This commitment is demonstrated through annual reports provided to DIAC and DEWR.