QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 13 FEBRUARY 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(AE12/0417) Program 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Boyce asked:

How do you know whether all of your detention facilities satisfy the Discrimination Disability Standards, if, on your own admission, you haven't done an audit of all your premises to see if they do indeed satisfy such requirements?

Answer:

As required by law, all the Immigration Detention Facilities are compliant with the Building Codes of Australia (BCA) regulations at the time of their construction or major redevelopment.

In addition to this, DIAC regularly reviews site specific maintenance plans to ensure facilities for clients are adequate.