QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING: 13 FEBRUARY 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(AE12/0472) Program 5.1: Settlement Services for Migrants and Refugees

Senator Cash asked:

Have there been any cases where a parent dropped their child at care then not attend AMEP and then returned later collect the child?

Answer.

Attendance at child care is monitored by the Adult Migrant English Program (AMEP) providers.

The AMEP providers must enter class and childcare attendance on the departments AMEP database. It is only possible to register a child as attending childcare if the parent has attended class.

The department only pays for child care while a client attends class.