QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 13 FEBRUARY 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(AE12/0486) Program 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash asked:

In relation to people in community detention, provide a figure for the health costs and the cost of pharmaceuticals for the last six months to date.

Answer.

From 1 July 2011 to 31 January 2012, health costs for people in community detention totalled \$4,249 819, with pharmaceutical costs amounting to \$12,841.