

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

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IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

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Senator Crossin (L&CA 61) asked:

In relation to the calculation of the \$7.9 million revenue from fines, ie X number of employers times Y amount of breaches, what are X and Y?

Answer:

Revenue estimates in relation to fines were originally based on an assessment of the existing undertakings and which of those could have fines imposed for non-compliance. The undertakings were split between:

- Administrative matters – for example, non cooperation with monitoring and failure to notify cessation of a sponsored worker within five business days; and
- Matters relating to costs – for example, failure to meet the Minimum Salary Level and failure to pay return travel.

As a result of consultation with the Attorney General's Department and other agencies during the development stage of the Migration Amendment (Sponsorship Obligations) Bill 2007, the revenue estimates will be reviewed over coming months.