QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 26 MAY 2010

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(29) Program 1.1: Visa and Migration

Senator Humphries (L&C 64-65) asked:

In relation to the \$31.73 million revenue reduction for 2009-10, provide a breakdown of the 12,567 reduction in applications by visa category.

Answer:

The following provides a breakdown of the 12,567 reduction in 2009-10 visa applications by category.

	Estimated impact on total visa applications	Total estimated revenue impact
Visa Class	Increase / (Decrease)	Increase / (Decrease)
Offshore applications		
175 - Skilled Independent	(6,287)	(\$15,874,697)
176 - Skilled Sponsored	(4,028)	(\$10,171,213)
475 - Skilled Regional Sponsored	(3,275)	(\$8,270,052)
476 - Skilled Recognised Graduate	(188)	(\$475,290)
Total offshore	(13,778)	(\$34,791,252)
Onshore applications		
487 - Skilled Regional Sponsored	143	\$360,054
885 - Skilled Independent	347	\$876,131
886 - Skilled Sponsored	722	\$1,824,273
Total onshore	1,212	\$3,060,458
Total	(12,566)	(\$31,730,794)