

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 24 MAY 2011**

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

**(BE11/0533) Program 4.2: Onshore Detention Network**

Senator Cash (L&CA 101) asked:

In relation to the adequacy of the fire break near the Northam Detention Centre, what has the department done to rectify those concerns?

*Answer:*

The fire break relating to the Northam Detention Centre site is located on Commonwealth land and is compliant with the requirements of the Fire and Emergency Services Authority of Western Australia. Concerns raised by Mr and Mrs Edwards pertain to a fire break which is not on Commonwealth land.