

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 24 MAY 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE11/0591) Program 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash asked:

How many tests has the Department conducted on IMA/Es claiming to be minors?

Answer:

The Department does not keep separate statistics on the number of cases where age determination processes have been undertaken. Age is just one aspect of identity that the Department seeks to establish in relation to undocumented clients.