

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 21-22 MAY 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE12/0410) Program 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash (L&CA 100) asked:

Regarding insurance in the private homes used in the homestay network, what is the liability of the department when something goes very wrong? Does the department have zero liability?

Answer.

It is the Department's position that it has no liability in relation to the Community Placement Network, but rather any liability would lie with the Australian Red Cross as the contracted Community Assistance Support (CAS) service provider.