

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 27-28 May 2013

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE13/0159) PROGRAM – 4.2: Onshore Detention Network

Senator Abetz (L&CA 94) asked:

Senator ABETZ: What is the total cost of educating the asylum-seekers at Pontville? Do we have a weekly or monthly figure?

Mr Douglas: I am not sure that I have that figure, I am afraid, Senator.

Senator ABETZ: If you could take that on notice, that would be fine.

Answer:

No expenditure was incurred for Irregular Maritime Arrival education costs at Pontville in the 2011-12 financial year.

Education services commenced in April 2013. As at 30 April 2013, no invoices had been received and therefore no expenditure incurred.