

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 OCTOBER 2010

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(290) Program 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash asked:

In relation to families moved out on “residence determinations”, who will cover their costs in the community? What are the estimated costs?

Answer:

The Department will pay for the costs of clients in residence determination. Costs are comparable with costs of maintaining a person in immigration detention facilities.