QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

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IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(SE12/0341) PROGRAM – 3.1: Border Management

Senator Xenophon (L&CA 88) asked:

For proof of identity under the D-sticker systems, what standard of identification is required?

Answer:

For domestic passengers flying on designated international flights between two Australian ports (referred to as "D-sticker" passengers) photo identity is required as proof of identity. Under policy, the following documents can be considered adequate proof of identity:

- A valid passport
- A valid Australian motor vehicle licence
- A valid document issued by the Commonwealth, or a State or Territory, or by a Commonwealth, or State or Territory Authority, that identifies the person
- A valid Aviation Security Identity Card issued by the operator of the aircraft, or the operator of an airport in Australia.

For minors travelling domestically on an international flight with an accompanying adult, who does not have an identity document, the accompanying adult must write their full name on the back of their own boarding pass to ensure the minor is linked to the accompanying adult for identification purposes when passing through immigration clearance points.

Unaccompanied minors travelling domestically on an international flight are required to be escorted by airline staff through inwards and outwards immigration clearance points.