

## QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

### SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 15 October 2012

#### IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

#### **(SE12/0698A) PROGRAM – 6.1: Multicultural and Citizenship Services**

Senator Cash (written) asked:

How many form 119 Application for evidence of Australian citizenship applications have been received by the Department each financial year from 2007-08 to the current financial year?

*Answer:*

Due to changes in the way evidence applications are recorded on departmental systems, data on evidence applications received is only available from 1 November 2010. Prior to this date, the department only recorded the number of evidence applications approved. See the below table for the number of evidence applications received by the department from 1 November 2010 to the end of the 2011-12 financial year:

<b>Financial Year</b>	<b>Evidence applications received</b>
1 Nov 2010 – 30 June 2011	13 277
1 July 2011 – 30 June 2012	20 488