

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 November 2013

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(SE13/0412) PROGRAM – Internal Product

Senator Zdenko Seselja (L&CA 42) asked:

Mr Bowles: Going forward we have, again, the cuts to deal with through the efficiency dividend arrangements.

Senator SESELJA: What is that amount for your department?

Mr Bowles: I would have to check. Going forward from 2014-15 it will probably be around the \$340 million to \$350 million in operational costs.

Answer:

The Department of Immigration and Border Protection has been subject to a number of targeted public service efficiency measures as well as the Efficiency Dividend, since the first indexation of the 2014-15 Budget estimate.

The total of all efficiency dividend adjustments and targeted efficiency measures, across the four forward years commencing with 2014-15, is a reduction in appropriation funding of \$398.3 million.