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STANDING COMMITTEE ON PETITIONS

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PUBLIC HEARING

Wednesday 22 October 2008 Committee Room 1R3, Canberra 10.30am – 11.40am

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Department of Education

Petitions received up to 25 September 2008 and referred to the Minister for Education

Subject	Presentation	No. of signatures	Further action
Portability of funding for students with a disability	26 May 2008	485	Response from Minister for Education, dated 15 September 2008
Funding formula for public schools	26 May 2008	162	Response from Minister for Education, dated 20 August 2008
Higher Education Assistance	23 June 2008	41	Response from Minister for Education, dated 3 September 2008
Funding for preschools	17 September 2008 (Ms Saffin)	369	

For information on petitions received in this portfolio area see http://www.aph.gov.au/house/committee/petitions/education.htm

11.00 am - 11.20 am

Department of Immigration and Citizenship

Petitions received up to 25 September 2008 and referred to the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship

Subject	Presentation	No. of signatures	Further action
Immigration policy - priority for Christians	17 March 2008	269	Response from Minister for Immigration and Citizenship, dated 13 April 2008
Income support for asylum seekers	26 May 2008 2 June 2008 1 September 2008 22 September 2008	26 50 19 12	Response from Minister for Immigration and Citizenship, dated 24 August 2008
Permanent residency for 410 visa holders	1 September 2008	2	

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11.20 am – 11.40 am

Department of Human Services

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Subject	Presentation	No. of signatures	Further action
Centrelink Services, Morwell	17 March 2008	1713	Response from Minister for Human Services, dated 5 May 2008
Income support for asylum seekers	26 May 2008 2 June 2008 1 September 2008 22 September 2008	26 50 19 12	Response from Minister for Human Services, dated 1 October 2008, not yet presented
Medicare office, Swan electorate	23 June 2008	11994	Response from Minister for Human Services, dated 10 September 2008, not yet presented

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