



**Australian
BORDER FORCE**

COMMISSIONER

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Senator Jana Stewart
Committee Chair
Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee
PO Box 6100
Canberra ACT

Dear Chair

The Home Affairs Portfolio appeared at Senate Estimates Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (the Committee) for a Supplementary Budget Estimates hearing on Tuesday 2 December 2025.

In my role as Commissioner of the Australian Border Force (ABF), I provided evidence to the Senate and I have reviewed the Hansard record in relation to my testimony and I would like to correct the evidence I gave in response to a question from Senator Roberts. The particular reference for correction is on Page 88 and is in response to the question from Senator Roberts. My answer included the following:

The total duty evaded for the combined seizures, of over 30.5 million cigarettes and 5.1 tonnes of tobacco, is estimated to be over \$53.8 million with the estimated street value of over 4,000 vapes to be \$20.05 million.

The number of vapes has been incorrectly reported as 4,000 and should be 400,000. I appreciate the opportunity to provide this clarification, which will ensure that the correct information has been provided to the Committee.

Yours sincerely


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Commissioner

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