

**Question on notice no. 235**

**Portfolio question number: AE22-235**

**2021-22 Additional estimates**

**Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee, Home Affairs Portfolio**

**Senator Nick McKim:** asked the Department of Home Affairs on 14 February 2022

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(5) years?

a. Please provide a breakdown of ministers (Dutton, Andrews, Hawke, Wood, etc.) .

**Answer —**

Please see the attached answer.

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS  
 ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES  
 14 FEBRUARY 2022**

**Home Affairs Portfolio  
 Department of Home Affairs**

**Program 3.5: Onshore Compliance and Detention**

**AE22-235 - Ministerial interventions made by Ministers**

Senator Nick McKim asked:

How many interventions have been made by ministers over the past five (5) years?  
 a. Please provide a breakdown of ministers (Dutton, Andrews, Hawke, Wood, etc.).

*Answer:*

**Number of ministerial interventions made by ministers as at 31 December 2021**

Ministerial Power	195A	48B	46A*	351/417
2017-18	969 (1002 persons)	47 persons	-	243 (413 persons)
2018-19	415 (450 persons)	<5 persons	-	51 (96 persons)
2019-20	288 (308 persons)	96 persons	-	72 (121 persons)
2020-21	478 (482 persons)	341 persons	-	43 (79 persons)
2021-22	36 (51 persons)	<5 persons	-	27 (37 persons)

*Data sourced from Departmental Systems. As data has been drawn from a dynamic source, any historical figures provided may differ slightly in previous or future reporting*

\*Accurate reporting on ministerial intervention under section 46A(2) of the *Migration Act 1958* (the Act) is not available.

- a. A breakdown by Minister of ministerial interventions is not available through departmental reporting.