

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING : 24 March 2017

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(AE17/277) - 457 visas - Review of SOL - Programme 2.3: Visas

Senator Pratt, Louise (L&CA) written:

Can you please explain the Department's involvement in the current review of the SOL?
Did the Department make a submission to the SOL review underway by the Department of Education and Workplace Relations?

Answer:

1. The Department of Immigration and Border Protection (the Department) has engaged in regular consultation with the Department of Education and Training (DET) on the current review of the SOL, including through inter-departmental committee meetings chaired by a departmental SES Band 1 officer. The Department provided information such as visa grant and visa application data to DET to support the review.
2. The Department did not provide a submission to the review.