

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING : 25 May 2015

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(BE15/179) - Removal of Lawyers from Migration Agents Regulatory Scheme - Programme 2.2: Migration

Senator Hanson-Young, Sarah (L&CA) written:

- Lawyers will be removed from the migration agents' regulatory scheme.
 - o Migration law is very complex, esoteric and constantly changing. How will the strict continuing professional development requirements applicable to migration agents continue to apply to lawyers?

Answer:

The continuing professional development requirements applicable to migration agents will not apply to lawyers once they are removed from the migration agents' regulatory scheme.

Lawyers are subject to their own strict regulatory measures and the legal profession is one of the most regulated professions in Australia.