QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 23 May 2017

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(BE17/082) - Fees for foreign skilled workers - Number of visas relating to forward projections - Programme 2.3: Visas

Senator Carr, Kim (L&CA 25) asked:

Senator KIM CARR: Given what you have said—that this is all dependent on the numbers—I wonder if you could provide us with a breakdown on the numbers of temporary skilled visas that underpin those revenue forecasts by the financial year commencing 2017-18.

Mr Wilden: Sorry?

Senator KIM CARR: The number of visas.

Mr Wilden: In each category?

Senator KIM CARR: Yes, in each category, commencing 2017-18, on an annual basis.

Mr Wilden: We will come back to you on that.

Answer:

It is a longstanding practice not to disclose information about the operation and business of the Cabinet, as to do so could potentially reveal the deliberations of the Cabinet, which are confidential.