QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 20 OCTOBER 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(SE14/064) PROGRAMME –

Senator Carr (Written) asked:

How do migration agents registered with MARA maintain their registration?

Answer:

In accordance with section 299 of the Migration Act 1958, Agents are required to meet the following requirements to be eligible for repeat registration:

- Be a fit and proper person to give immigration assistance
- Be a person of integrity
- Hold the specified professional library
- Complete the approved application form and pay the required fee for the registration type
- Citizenship/Residency Australian Citizen; Australian Permanent Resident or New Zealand Citizen holding a special category visa (subclass444)
- Not be related by employment to someone who is not a person of integrity
- Complete the specified continuing professional development requirement.