

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 20 OCTOBER 2014**

**IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO**

**(SE14/117) PROGRAMME – Australian Customs and Border Protection Service**

Senator Carr (Written) asked:

Have body temperature scanners been considered by the department for the detection of Ebola carriers at Australia's airports?

*Answer:*

Revised Ebola health screening measures introduced on 14 November 2014 at all international airports includes temperature checking performed by Department of Agriculture officers for all travellers identified as a possible risk for Ebola.

The Department of Health is the lead agency coordinating the government's response to the Ebola outbreak, and considered all available advice and technology in determining the appropriate border responses.