SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES 2009-10

Outcome 3 - International Group

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Senator Hanson- Young provided in writing.

Question

Cancellation of registration

How many providers in total had their registration cancelled by DEEWR or state and territory regulators in 2008/09?

Answer

In 2008-09 the CRICOS registrations of 78 providers were cancelled, 72 of which were at the volition of the provider themselves, and the remainder by DEEWR or state and territory regulators as a result of non-compliance with requirements.

From November 2007 to 16 November 2009, there were 23 provider closures where international students were affected.

It should be noted that in general provider closures affecting international students form a subset of providers whose registration is cancelled. In the case of a provider closure the cancellation of the provider's registration may either be automatic (by virtue of the ESOS Act) or a matter of technicality. Providers who close will have their registrations cancelled in due course. However, providers who have their registrations cancelled may not necessarily displace any students. Hence there will be a difference in the two numbers.