

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES - 25 FEBRUARY 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(AE14/124) PROGRAMME – 4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution

Senator Carr (Written) asked:

Why is the Code only applicable to IMAs?

Answer:

The code is not only applicable to Illegal Maritime Arrivals. Under the Migration Amendment (Bridging Visas - Code of Behaviour) Regulation 2013 the code can be applied to any person being considered for the grant of a Bridging visa E (BVE) who has been granted a BVE by the Minister using his personal powers under section 195A of the *Migration Act 1958*.