

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES - 25 FEBRUARY 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(AE14/476) PROGRAMME – Internal Product

Senator Ludwig (Written) asked:

What training does the department provide to designated decision makers under the Freedom of Information Act who work within the department?

- a. Of the officers designated as decision makers within the department, how many have received formal training?
- b. Of the officers designated as decision makers within the department, how many have received informal training?
- c. How long after each officers appointment as a designated decision maker did they receive formal training?
- d. What did the training involve?
- e. How long was the training?
- f. By whom was the training conducted?

Answer:

The portfolio provides a mix of formal and informal training to Freedom of Information (FOI) decision makers. Training covers the FOI Act, the Privacy Act, how to write a notice of decision and access to information from the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner.

Available FOI training includes eLearning modules, internal training provided by departmental officers, and training delivered by external providers (such as the Australian Government Solicitor and the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner).