QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 22 May 2007

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(118) Output 2.1: Settlement Services

Senator Hurley (L&CA 43 and written) asked:

- a) Clarify the AMEP average cost per client figure, which for 2005-06 is cited as \$2907.77. Is it the total cost over the financial year divided by the number of clients?
- b) Is this the department's cost of delivering the AMEP or is it the cost incurred by the service provider?
- c) Can the Department provide details of the inputs for this figure?
- d) Can the Department provide a comparable estimated average cost per client for 2006-07?

Answer:

- a) Yes.
- b) The figure is the total Administered expenditure for all AMEP service providers divided by the number of clients in the AMEP and SPP.
- c) Yes. Expenditure in 2005-06 was as follows:

Service	\$m
AMEP Tuition	121.5
Special Preparatory Programme	14.3
Home Tutor Scheme Enhancement Programme	0.6
AMEP Research Centre	2.7
Other non-tuition	0.8
	139.9

d) No. 2006-07 client numbers and financial details will not be available until after the end of the financial year.