QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

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IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(157) Output 2.3: Australian Citizenship

Senator Hurley asked:

How much has the department spent on consultation for preparation of material suitable for people of non-English speaking background for the citizenship test?

Answer:

Developmental research for an information campaign to support the introduction of the test has been undertaken with the general Australian community. It included people of non-English speaking (NESB) background but it is not possible to disaggregate the cost. A specialist NESB consultant will be engaged shortly.