QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

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IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(49) Output 1.1: Migration and Temporary Entry

Senator Crossin (L&CA 54) asked:

What is the cost of the Industry Outreach Officers program? Provide the cost per year for the time it has been operating.

Answer:

The Government funded the Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC) \$4.9 million over four years at the 2005-06 Budget for the Industry Outreach Officer programme. During 2005-06 the funding was \$1.3 million against which the actual expenditure was \$1.7 million. The additional \$0.4 million was funded by DIAC. For the 2006-07 year, the funding was \$1.2 million against which we anticipate expenditure of around \$1.5 million.