QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

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IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(80) Output 1.4: Compliance

Senator Ludwig (L&CA 105) asked:

Could you identify the broad federal or state government departments or agencies that may have assisted in that program and whether the Department of Employment and Workplace Relations was involved?

Answer:

The key agencies that assist the Department of Immigration and Citizenship in its compliance programme are state and federal police, other Commonwealth agencies including the Australian Taxation Office, Centrelink and state agencies such as road and transport authorities.

The Department also works cooperatively with a range of agencies, particularly Office of Workplace Services, in monitoring and enforcing employer compliance with 457 programme undertakings.