QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 24 MAY 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE11/0316) Program 4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution

Senator Cash (L&CA 13) asked:

How many Subclass 456 Visa applicants has the Department monitored in each of the last three years and the year to date and then specifically in relation to immigration condition 8112, where the holder must not engage in work in Australia that might otherwise be carried by an Australian citizen or an Australian permanent resident?

Answer.

There is no specific monitoring scheme for the Subclass 456 Visa, as this visa is a short term unsponsored visitor visa. However, these clients are subject to the Department's broader compliance monitoring regime which applies to all onshore visa holders.

As with all other visas, if a Subclass 456 Visa holder is found to have breached any condition of their visa, including condition 8112, then they may have their visa cancelled.