QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 21-22 MAY 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE12/0370) Program: 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Abetz (L&CA 82) asked:

Regarding Pontville, what extra payments were made to the Tasmanian government for the provision of ambulance services?

Answer.

Under the agreement with the Tasmanian Department of Health and Human Services, DIAC is to pay \$543 000 to increase the capacity of the Bridgewater Ambulance Station. Payments of \$362 000 have already been made and a final payment of \$181 000 will be made after 30 June 2012.