QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 27-28 May 2013

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE13/0161) PROGRAM – 4.2: Onshore Detention Network

Senator Abetz (L&CA 96) asked:

Senator ABETZ: So you still get your 50 points, even if you do muck up? Mr Douglas: But you may lose your right to earn additional points into the future for a period of time.

Senator ABETZ: But you still get the base rate no matter what?

Mr Douglas: I will have to confirm that but I believe so.

Answer:

25 points are allocated to all clients each week. If non-compliant behaviour is identified, it is addressed through a Behaviour Management Plan which may stipulate the client is to be excluded from activities for a period of time, therefore limiting their ability to accrue points.

Current policy does not support the removal of points from clients once accrued.