

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

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IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

(53) Output 1.2: Refugee and Humanitarian Entry

Senator Bartlett asked:

How many Removal Pending Bridging Visas (RPBVs) were issued on 2004-5?

Answer:

The Removal Pending Bridging Visa (RPBV) came into effect on 11 May 2005. No RPBVs were granted during 2004-2005. In program year 2005-2006, 30 RPBVs have been granted as at 24 November 2005.