

## QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

### SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 21 OCTOBER 2008

#### IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

#### **(65) Output 2.3: Australian Citizenship**

Senator Fierravanti-Wells (L&CA 118) asked:

Could you explain to me the basis of the appointment of each of those people to the Citizenship Test Review Committee and the reasons it was deemed appropriate that they be appointed to that committee? Why they were specifically chosen? Were there other people who were under consideration for appointment?

*Answer:*

The members of the Citizenship Test Review Committee were chosen by the Minister on the basis of their experience and expertise.

The Minister considered a number of people, including a range of possible appointees put forward by the Department. Some of the people approached were not in a position to commit to the review.