

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES: 17 OCTOBER 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(SE11/0404) Program 5.1: Settlement Services for Migrants and Refugees

Senator Cash (L&CA 125) asked:

Under the AMEP program, how much additional tutoring can a client have after the 510 hours have expired?

Answer:

In recognition of difficult pre-migration experiences humanitarian entrants may access the Special Preparatory Program (SPP) which provides up to 400 additional hours.

To assist with the transition to work in Australia additional tuition is available to AMEP clients through the Settlement Language Pathways to Employment and Training (SLPET) program. SLPET provides an additional 200 hours of tuition including vocational specific English and work experience placement. The SLPET program is aimed at those clients who are close to completing their AMEP entitlement and are motivated and committed. The suitability of a client for SLPET is assessed by the AMEP service provider.