QUESTION 604

Monday, 23 March 2015

BY AUTHORITY OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Mr Kelvin Thomson asked the Minister for Immigration and Border Protection, in writing, on 14 November 2014:

(1) Is the Minister aware that the latest Victorian Department of Transport, Planning and Local Infrastructure Victorian Population Bulletin shows that Victoria grew by a record 106,820 people between June 2012 and June 2013, which is a 1.9 per cent increase, higher than the 1.8 per cent national average.

(2) Is the Minister aware that Victoria is absorbing a large proportion, 26.2 per cent, of Australia's overall population growth.

(3) Is it a fact that for the year ending 30 June, Australia's population grew by 407,027, or 1.8 per cent to 23,135,281 people, and Victoria's population grew by 106,820 people.

(4) Is the Minister aware that Greater Melbourne is absorbing the vast majority, 89.4 per cent, of Victoria's population growth.

(5) Is the Minister aware that there are numerous Victorian local government areas that have grown by more than the 2.2 per cent average, including Melbourne (10.5 per cent/11,029 people), Wyndham (6 per cent/10,759 people), Whittlesea (5.5 per cent/9,306 people), Cardinia (4.8 per cent/3,877 people), Melton (4.3 per cent/5,028 people), Yarra (3.2 per cent/2,606 people), Maribyrnong (3.2 per cent/2,436 people), Hume (2.9 per cent/5,229 people), Casey (2.8 per cent/3,877 people), and Moreland (2.2 per cent/3,372 people).

Mr Dutton: The answer to the honourable member’s question is as follows:

(1) This is not a matter for the Immigration and Border Protection portfolio.

(2) This is not a matter for the Immigration and Border Protection portfolio.

(3) This is not a matter for the Immigration and Border Protection portfolio.

(4) This is not a matter for the Immigration and Border Protection portfolio.

(5) This is not a matter for the Immigration and Border Protection portfolio.