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Senator Cash asked:

Minister, does the government have any plans to legislate for a quota of women on government boards? What is the government's position on actually legislating for a gender quota on company boards? And has the government commissioned any legal advice or other advice on whether or not it should legislate, or on the merits of legislating, for quotas on company boards?

Answer:

The Australian Government has set a target of 40 per cent women on Australian Government boards by 2015.