

Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

Answers to Questions on Notice

Communications Portfolio

Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications

Topic: Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (2021 Measures No. 1) Bill 2021

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Senator URQUHART asked

Senator URQUHART: Who are you consulting with?

Mr Penprase: There was a lengthy consultation process that was open to all parties. As I said, submissions for that have closed and are being assessed at the moment. The department routinely talks to all stakeholders in relation to the proposal.

Senator URQUHART: I'm happy for you to take that on notice, Mr Penprase, to provide me with the details of who was consulted.

Answer:

The Government's release of the *media reform green paper – modernising television regulation in Australia* (green paper) on 27 November 2020 initiated consultation on a set of proposals to reform and recalibrate the regulation of television services in Australia.

As of 10 June 2021, the Department had received 108 submissions in response to the green paper from a wide range of stakeholders, individuals, and interested parties.

The Department has also supported the green paper process by meeting with various groups and stakeholders. Between 27 November and 10 June, Departmental officials met with 33 industry stakeholders across 41 meetings. A full list of these organisations is provided below.

These meetings have provided an opportunity for stakeholders to outline their views and positions on the green paper proposals. While these discussions have assisted the Department to gain a fuller understanding of stakeholder views, they do not surpass or override the written submissions process.

- Screen Producers Australia
- Australia New Zealand Screen Association
- Australian children's content producers and representatives, including:
 - SLR Productions
 - Sticky Pictures
 - Kapow Pictures
 - Flying Bark Productions
 - Shiff and Company Boutique Lawyers
 - Moody Street Kids
 - Northern Pictures
 - Ludo

- Pop Family Entertainment
- Lalor Law
- Cheeky Little Media
- Seven West Media
- Nine Entertainment Co
- ViacomCBS Australia and New Zealand
- Free TV Australia
- WIN Corporation
- Prime Media Group
- Imparja Television
- Southern Cross Austereo
- Australian Broadcasting Corporation
- Special Broadcasting Service
- BAI Communications
- Sony
- AVLink
- Australian Industry Group
- Consumer Electronics and Suppliers Association
- Netflix
- Disney
- Amazon
- Stan Entertainment