

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Topic: Gene Technology Technical Advisory Committee

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: Rice, Janet

Question:

How many members of the OGTR's Gene Technology Technical Advisory Committee (GTTAC) have declared direct or indirect interests, pecuniary or otherwise, that the person is aware of having in a matter of a kind likely to be considered at a meeting of the Committee?
a) Please provide these declared direct or indirect interests?

Answer:

Australia's gene technology legislation has processes to ensure appropriate management of conflict of interest declarations. As required under Regulation 20(1) of the Gene technology Regulations 2001, declarations of interest were obtained from all current members before their appointment to the Gene Technology Technical Advisory Committee.

Disclosure of details of members and their interests without their consent would involve an unreasonable disclosure of information that is personal information under the Privacy Act.