

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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Senator: Xenophon, Nick

Question:

I understand in the EU, all ingredients present in the form of engineered nanomaterials are to be clearly indicated in the list of ingredients with the names of such ingredients followed by the word 'nano' in brackets. Has FSANZ considered the potential of a similar scheme here?

Answer:

Food Standards Australia New Zealand has not received an application to amend the *Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code* in relation to a new or novel nanotechnology. If an application is received, the issue of labelling would be considered at that time.