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Answers to questions on notice
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Senator Urquhart, Anne asked:

Why was the dive industry not represented on the Bioregional Advisory Panels?

Answer:

Members of the Bioregional Advisory Panels were selected for their capacity to facilitate input from a broad range of stakeholders across multiple sectors and were not selected to represent any particular sector(s).

The dive industry was consulted closely through the 260 meetings across Australia and has made submissions to the independent review and the first statutory consultation period.