

Economics Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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AGENCY: IP Australia

TOPIC: Gene patents – High Court Decision

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QUESTION No.: SI-19

Senator KIM CARR: How will it be administered from now on?

Mr Kelly: As I said, our proposed administration post the Myriad decision has been embodied in a draft practice note that we have released for consultation.

Senator KIM CARR: How many submissions have you received for that practice note?

Mr Kelly: The practice note is open for submissions until 30 October. I am not sure how many submissions we have received to date.

Senator KIM CARR: All right. What is the date of return of questions here?

CHAIR: The fourth of December.

Senator KIM CARR: So, as of the 30th, can you indicate to me how many submissions you received?

Mr Kelly: Certainly we can take that on notice.

ANSWER

IP Australia published a draft practice note on 16 October 2015 requesting submissions by 30 October 2015. Following requests by stakeholders the period for response was extended to 6 November 2015. One late submission was received on 9 November 2015.

IP Australia received 22 submissions.