

SENATE LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATION COMMITTEE  
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**Question No. 166**

**Senator Stott-Despoja asked the following question at the hearing on 14 February 2006:**

a) The government also committed to inserting an advisory note into the Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) "*to clarify that the definition of a disability for the purposes of the DDA includes a genetic predisposition to a disability.*" When will this happen?

b) In the same report the government also committed to redrafting Section 30 Provision of the DDA to "*clarify that it prohibits an employer from requesting or requiring information relating to a person's disability (including genetic information) except when the information is reasonably required for a purpose that does not involve unlawful discrimination.*" When will the Section 30 Provision be redrafted?

**The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:**

(a) and (b): Implementation of these measures is progressing. The timing of introduction of legislation is a matter for Government.