

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
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**Topic: Gambling**

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**Senator Moore asked:**

Regarding the Department's consultation with industry, state and territory governments, the community sector and academia - what, in terms of defining what that would be, does the community sector and academia mean?

**Answer:**

Within the context of gambling:

- the community sector includes organisations with an interest in reducing the harm caused by gambling, who are likely to be represented by their peak bodies; and
- academia includes researchers with an expertise in gambling research, including those with an interest in the characteristics and motivations of gamblers and best practice harm minimisation measures across gambling platforms.