

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**  
**Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice**  
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**Question No: 204(g)**

**Australia Council**

**Hansard Ref: Written, 19/02/2016**

**Topic: Statutory Review Provisions**

**Senator Ludwig, Joe asked:**

Please list all current legislation, covered by the department's portfolio, which contain a statutory review provision/s. For each, please provide:

1. What work has been done towards preparing for the review? If none, why not?
2. Please provide a schedule or a workplan for the review
3. When did/will this work begin?
4. When is/was the review due to commence.
5. What is the expected report date.
6. Who is the minister responsible for the review
7. What department is responsible for the review
8. List the specific clauses or legislation under review caused by the statutory provision.
9. List the terms of reference.
10. What is the scope of the review.
11. Who is conducting the review. How were they selected? What are the legislated obligation for the selection of the person to conduct the review?
12. What is the budgeted, projected or expected costs of the review?
13. When was the Minister briefed on this matter?
14. What decision points are upcoming for the minister on this matter?
15. List the number of officers, and their classification level, involved in conducting the review
16. Will the report will be tabled in parliament or made public. If so, when?

**Answer:**

1-16. The *Australia Council Act 2013* does not contain a statutory review provision.