

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**  
**Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice**  
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**Question No: 33**

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**Topic: ABC Act**

**Senator Back, Chris asked:**

Section 10(f) within the SBS Act 1991 says it is the duty of the board: to ensure that the SBS seeks to co-operate closely with the Australian Broadcasting Corporation to maximise the efficiency of the publicly funded sectors of Australian broadcasting ...

Does your act have something similar?

**Answer:**

There is no equivalent provision in *the Australian Broadcasting Corporation Act 1983* (the ABC Act). Section 26 of the ABC Act does provide that: "*In performing its functions, the Corporation must have regard to the services provided by the Special Broadcasting Service Corporation.*"