

**Economics Legislation Committee**  
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
Industry Portfolio  
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**AGENCY/DEPARTMENT:** DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY

**TOPIC:** Consultation Paper - Australian Industry Participation

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**QUESTION No.:** SI-68

**Senator KETTER:** For example, Ernst & Young made a submission on behalf of unnamed clients on 12 December 2011 in response to the consultation paper released by the department called Measures to extend Australian industry participation. Are you aware of that?

**Mr G Wilson:** No.

**Senator KETTER:** Do you know what client or clients Ernst & Young were acting on behalf of?

**Mr G Wilson:** No.

**Senator KETTER:** Are you able to take that on notice?

**Mr Chesworth:** Senator, we will go and check through our records. We were not aware of the original reference that you made, so, following from that, we are not aware of the clients that may or may not be involved.

**Senator KETTER:** Okay. Have the 13 bodies that made submissions on the Australian Jobs Bill 2013 exposure draft been consulted as part of the Ernst & Young review?

**Mr G Wilson:** I would have to take that on notice.

**ANSWER**

1. The Department does not know which of its clients Ernst & Young acted for in providing its submission dated 12 December 2011.
2. Six of the 13 organisations that made submissions to the then Department of Industry, Innovation, Climate Change, Science, Research and Tertiary Education regarding the Exposure Draft of the Australian Jobs Bill 2013 were consulted as part of the Ernst & Young Review:
  - Australian Petroleum Production and Exploration Association
  - Australian Steele Institute
  - Chamber of Minerals and Energy of Western Australia
  - Chevron Australia
  - Gasco Pty Ltd
  - Industry Capability Network