

**Senate Economics Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
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**TOPIC:** *R&D Tax Concession*

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**QUESTION No.** AI-13  
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**Senator CARR asked:** —I know we are always clever after the event, but how many firms do you think have been affected by this particular eligibility requirement?

**Ms Berman**—It is something that we could take on notice, in terms of having a look at the registration data. All we could give you is an approximate number because other issues, such as grouping, come into play. That means somebody might appear to be eligible as a single firm, but, because they are grouped with a number of other firms, they are well over the \$5 million turnover and therefore they would not get in. So it is quite difficult for me to be able to say that there is this number of firms who claim who might be able get it if the limit were changed.

**ANSWER**

The answer is included in response to AI-12.