

Economics Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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TOPIC: Chief Scientist - FV Abel Tasman

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Colbeck

QUESTION No.: SI-62

Did Minister Bourke seek the advice of the Chief Scientist in coming to his original decision regarding the additional requirements to be applied to the FV Abel Tasman:

"require the super trawler to adopt worlds-best practice methods to avoid listed species, particularly seals, dolphins and sea birds being killed or injured during its trawling operations". (Burke's media release 4 September)

When did the Minister seek this advice?

ANSWER

No.