

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
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Question No. 138

Senator Barnett asked the following question at the hearing on 8 February 2010:

Has the template for making an electronic submission to the inquiry into a proposed R18+ classification for computer games been changed recently? If so, what changes have been made and why?

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

The template for making submissions to the consultation on 'Should the Australian National Classification Scheme include an R 18+ classification category for computer games?' was amended on 12 February 2010.

The amendments removed the asterisks indicating that the provision of information on gender, age range and gaming experience was mandatory. This was done to make it clearer that this information was not necessary for a submission to be counted as part of the consultation process.

An option to request confidentiality by selecting either 'yes' or 'no' was added to make it simpler for respondents to request confidentiality for their submission.