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Secretary,  
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## **Submission – Legislative responses to recommendations of the Lockhart Review 2006**

*This submission is made on behalf of the Fertility Society of Australia.*

Thank-you for the opportunity to appear before the committee last Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October. Senator Stott-Despoja requested that a comment be made on behalf of the Fertility Society Australia regarding the apprehension voiced by the inclusion of eggs in the draft bill by Senator Patterson. Senator Stott-Despoja suggested that the inclusion of human eggs in the draft bill proposed by Senator Webber and herself might address these concerns. Review of the Stott-Despoja / Webber draft bill indicates the inclusion of human eggs in section 21. This would merely include human eggs subject to licence and as such would address the concerns voiced of all ART eggs being included in the bill. This variation would alleviate our concerns.

The Fertility Society of Australia appreciates the opportunity to be involved in commenting on reviews of documentation relating to Assisted Reproductive Technology.

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