



1 June 2001

Andrea Griffiths  
The Secretary  
Senate ECITA Legislation Committee,  
S1.57, Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Ms Griffiths,

FOX SPORTS makes the following submission relating to the Broadcasting Legislation Amendment Bill (No.2) 2001 (BLAB2):

FOX SPORTS provides sports programming channels to Foxtel, Austar and Optus. It is also available to commercial premises and a wide range of pubs and clubs.

FOX SPORTS is a member of the Australian Subscription and Television Radio Association (ASTRA) and we endorse ASTRA's submission to the Senate ECITA Legislation Committee in relation to BLAB2.

In particular, we supports BLAB2 in its current form in relation to sports anti-siphoning, with the qualification that we would prefer a longer automatic de-listing period compared with the six weeks contained in BLAB2.

FOX SPORTS is available to assist the Committee with information it may require in relation to this issue and is willing to appear as part of an ASTRA group before the proposed public hearing by the Committee in to BLAB2 issues on Friday 8 June 2001.

I can be contacted on 02 9776 2312, or by email at [jon.marquard@foxsports.com.au](mailto:jon.marquard@foxsports.com.au) if you have any further questions.

Yours sincerely,

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Director of Business & Corporate Affairs.