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Consideration of Senate Message

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Questioner
Speaker Gillard, Julia, MP

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Ms GILLARD (Lalor) (4.31 pm)—Clearly this amendment and the matter before the House relate to the Medicare package, which has been the subject of a great deal of discussion here and in another place. Obviously, the Labor Party have opposed this package. We opposed it in the Senate. We opposed it in the House earlier today. We remain opposed to it. We now believe the best way of demonstrating that opposition is not by further votes in this place but by having the argument in the community in the lead-up to the next election.