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**AMENDMENT (DIGITAL TELEVISION**  
**SWITCH-OVER) BILL 2008**

**Consideration of Senate Message**

**SPEECH**

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**Mr JOHN COBB** (Calare) (9.35 am)—I would like to associate myself with the very articulate and learned comments made by the member for Hinkler and the member for Mayo. The point I would like to make is not just in relation to the seat of Calare; all over country Australia, there are many people who are only just getting analog TV now and who are going to be so disadvantaged and so at risk for their reception once it goes digital. Without making all the safeguards mentioned by the member for Hinkler, we are going to be very disadvantaged by this legislation.