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THE SENATE

**WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT
(IMPROVED REMEDIES FOR
UNPROTECTED ACTION) BILL 2002**

In Committee

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Speaker Collins, Sen Jacinta

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Senator JACINTA COLLINS (Victoria) (1.33 pm)—I will be short and sweet also. I indicated last night that Labor will not be supporting the Democrat amendment. We appreciate that their amendment eliminates the vast bulk of this bill whilst including a provision to state that the commission may make an interim order under section 127. We do not believe this change is required. As the Labor senators reported to the inquiry into this bill, the commission already has adequate powers to make interim orders and we see no need to encourage the commission to make more of them.