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Senator McLUCAS (Queensland) (10.19 am)—I do not know that a decision to increase premiums, for example, which might be good in a corporate sense would be necessarily seen as good for policyholders; however, I suppose that is why Senator Humphries has moved the amendment. Was this issue raised with the government during the consultation process and what was the response to the private health insurance sector as a result of those consultations? Essentially what I am asking is why the government did not bring this amendment forward.