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Senator MURRAY (Western Australia) (6.06 pm)—I will speak briefly because I do not wish to repeat the many wonderful statements made about Senator Ferris around the chamber. Moments like these are enormously encouraging for all senators, because the regard, the depth of feeling and the understanding senators have for each other is exhibited on these occasions. I think Jeannie Ferris would be proud to hear the words being spoken here, as they say much about the people who are expressing them as well as about Jeannie herself. I merely wanted to say that I liked and respected Jeannie Ferris, and Jeannie Ferris liked and respected me. We got on well. Our relationship was warm at the personal level and extremely productive at the professional level. To the government I say: you should be proud that you had such a person in your ranks.