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**Higher Education Legislation Amendment  
(Student Services and Amenities) Bill 2010**

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**Senator JACINTA COLLINS** (Victoria—Parliamentary Secretary for School Education and Workplace Relations) (12:29): Firstly, with respect to the hypothetical question on the NUS, that has been dealt with. The provisions in subsection (4) of the Higher Education Legislation Amendment (Student Services and Amenities) Bill 2010 have been designed to eliminate the very concerns that the opposition are raising about political activity to focus expenditure on services and amenities, and this is why the Group of Eight have supported these measures. This bill is designed to allow for the better provision of student services and amenities. It has been broadly canvassed and takes into account the experiences across universities, across Australia, across the board. That is why, other than the opposition, these measures are broadly supported.