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Senator JACINTA COLLINS (Victoria—Parliamentary Secretary for School Education and Workplace Relations) (12:43): I encourage Senator Bernardi to have a look at clause 19-38(4) of the bill, where is listed exhaustively the sorts of matters that are regarded as related to appropriate student services and amenities and student welfare, as opposed to political activity, which this bill seeks to ensure funding is not directed to, as I mentioned in my earlier comments. Aside from that, we could continue to debate at great length the philosophy of applying user charges. I do not think that there is any point in that, other than to say that it is the government's view that an education provider can seek to gather resources in order to deliver certain types of student services and amenities as opposed to political activity, and that is what this bill seeks to do.

Progress reported.