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Senator: Cormann

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Question:

Senator CORMANN: Given that the Medibank Private Sale Act passed parliament in 2006, can you talk us through the work done since 2006 to give effect to that legislation passed by parliament.

Ms Mason: There has been no work done in recent years at all on the potential sale of Medibank. As to work that may have been done closer to the passage of the legislation, I would need to take that on notice and check our records.

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Senator CORMANN: What would be the time frame required for the department to give effect to that legislation if government policy changed?

Answer:

No work has been undertaken to give effect to the Medibank Private Limited Sale Act 2006.

The timeframe required for the department to give effect to the legislation, should government policy change would depend on a number of factors, including due diligence and market conditions at the time.