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Question No. 47

Senator Barnett asked the following question at the hearing on 22 February 2011:

Senator BARNETT—...Can the minister rule out the abolition of the Marriage Act as an option for the future? **Senator Ludwig**—I think I could, but I will certainly check with the Attorney-General as to his view.

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

The Government is not considering any proposals to repeal the *Marriage Act 1961*.