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 **Mr KATTER** (Mount Isa—KAP) (11.41 am): I have listened to the contribution of the Leader of the House and I acknowledge there are programs in place. However, we would not see—and perhaps a large portion of the public would not see—that what is being done at the moment is enough. Clearly, there are some risks when people are not going to beaches and when lifesavers are saying, ‘We cannot recommend you can safely go in the water where people have gone before,’ when people have been taken and when people have been killed. Surely that should provide for the parliament a sense of urgency. If that does not qualify for a sense of urgency, I am not sure what would.

I understand we need to review these things properly. However, it behoves the House to acknowledge when a sense of urgency is required to an issue. If that does not qualify, I do not know what would.