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Senatoe's stem cell outrage

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LIBERAL Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells has condemned a decision to lift a ban on therapeutic cloning, labelling it "sick legislation".

The Wollongong-based senator feared the decision would open the door to human cloning and potentially create another "Dolly the sheep" scenario.

The bill was passed by the House of Representatives on Wednesday night. It will allow researchers to clone embryos using donor eggs and cells, then extract their stem cells for medical research. More than 100 MPs spoke on the issue during the debate, with the majority supporting therapeutic cloning.

Prime Minister John Howard and new Labor leader Kevin Rudd spoke against the bill.

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