erode /ɪˈrəʊd/ verb

to gradually reduce something such as someone's power or confidence

***Kroger, Hawker join Lateline:***

**STEVE CANNANE: Michael Kroger, was there too much unnecessary gloating from the Coalition as Dennis Shanahan put it in the 'Australian' why agree to pass legislation in the national interest to then erode the effect of the legislation in a political interest?**