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NEW SOUTH WALES

Legislative Council

(SECOND SESSION OF THE FIFTY-THIRD PARLIAMENT)

(Commencing 22 May 2006 and ending 15 January 2007)

ABSTRACT OF PETITIONS RECEIVED

All petitions received unless otherwise noted.

Date Presented	Place of Petitioners and Signatures	Presented by	Abstract of Prayers
23 May 2006	105 citizens of New South Wales	Ms Parker	Stating their opposition to the proposed Bateman's and Port Stephens Marine Park.
23 May 2006	125 citizens of New South Wales	Ms Hale	Requesting that the House halt the sale of Snowy Hydro Limited and call for a plebiscite to be held at the same time as the State election in March 2007 to gauge public opinion on the sale.
23 May 2006	100 citizens of New South Wales	Mrs Pavey	Similar request.
25 May 2006	125 citizens of New South Wales	Mrs Pavey	Requesting that the House halt the sale of Snowy Hydro, instigate a full and open inquiry into the facts behind the sale and call for a plebiscite to be held at the same time as the State election in March 2007 to gauge public attitude towards the future of Snowy Hydro.
25 May 2006	177 citizens of New South Wales	Ms Hale	Similar request.
6 June 2006	321 citizens of New South Wales	Mrs Pavey	Requesting that the House halt the sale of Snowy Hydro Limited and call for a plebiscite to be held at the same time as the State election in March 2007 to gauge public opinion on the sale.
6 June 2006	141 citizens of New South Wales	Ms Hale	Similar request.
6 June 2006	200 citizens of New South Wales	Mr Cohen	Similar request.
6 June 2006	228 citizens of New South Wales	Mr Colless	Similar request.
6 June 2006	204 citizens of New South Wales	Miss Gardiner	Similar request.
6 June 2006	914 citizens of New South Wales	Ms Parker	Stating their opposition to the proposed Bateman's and Port Stephens Marine Park.

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6 June 2006	34 citizens of New South Wales	Ms Rhiannon	Stating that the Anti-Discrimination Act fails to provide adequate protection for bisexual and intersex people or people living with a same sex partner and praying that the House supports the Greens legislation that does not discriminate on a person's homosexuality or transgender status.
6 June 2006	15 citizens of New South Wales	Revd Dr Moyes	Calling on the Government to abandon plans to build a desalination plant in Kurnell or Sydney's East, create a sustainable water system for Sydney and allow citizens to submit public comment on any future water infrastructure.
6 June 2006	39 citizens of New South Wales	Revd Dr Moyes	Calling on the Government to enact laws for the provision of accurate records and statistics on abortions, to protect, by law, fetuses of 20 weeks gestation and make resources available for pre- and post-abortion follow-up.
6 June 2006	133 citizens of New South Wales	Ms Hale	Expressing concerns regarding the Shellharbour City Council's financial management and requesting that the House urge the Minister for Local Government to reject Shellharbour City Council's request for a 9.5% rate increase.
7 June 2006	80 citizens of New South Wales	Ms Hale	Requesting that the House halt the sale of Snowy Hydro Limited and call for a plebiscite to be held at the same time as the State election in March 2007 to gauge public opinion on the sale.
8 June 2006	13 citizens of New South Wales	Revd Dr Moyes	Praying that the House will preserve religious freedoms and vote against the changes proposed under the Anti Discrimination Amendment (Religious Tolerance) Bill.
8 June 2006	231 citizens of New South Wales	Mr Gay	Requesting that the House halt the sale of Snowy Hydro Limited and call for a plebiscite to be held at the same time as the State election in March 2007 to gauge public opinion on the sale.
8 June 2006	10 citizens of New South Wales	Ms Hale	Similar request.
8 June 2006	46 citizens of New South Wales	Mr Breen	Requesting that the House call on the Government to offer a public apology to Roseanne Catt, and call on the Attorney General to investigate allegations of conspiracy, perjury, contempt of court and fraud in the original trial and appeal processes.
8 June 2006	12 citizens of New South Wales	Revd Dr Moyes	Requesting that the House uphold the Commonwealth's exclusive power to make laws with respect to marriage, recognize the definition of marriage in the Marriage Act 1961, and defeat the Same-Sex Marriage Bill 2005 and cognates.
8 June 2006	75 citizens of New South Wales	Ms Hale	Stating that the amalgamation of the College of Fine Arts and the National Art School will diminish the choice in fine arts higher education available to future generations.
8 June 2006	37 citizens of New South Wales	Ms Rhiannon	Objecting to amendments in the Local Government Amendment (Waste Removal Orders) Bill 2006, and requesting that the House not pass the bill.

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29 August 2006	1,143 citizens of New South Wales	Ms Parker	Stating their opposition to the proposed Bateman's and Port Stephens Marine Park.
29 August 2006	1,323 citizens of New South Wales	Revd Dr Moyes	Requesting that the House call on the Minister for Health and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health) to approve and adopt the recommendation of the Mental Health Review Tribunal and release Ms Kylie Fitter from Junuperina Juvenile Justice Centre.
29 August 2006	103 residents of Lithgow and the Blue Mountains and other residents of New South Wales	Mr Cohen	Requesting that the House remove the Newnes, Ben Bullen, Hampton, Jenolan, Nullo Mountain and Coricudgy State Forest areas of the Blue Mountains from the list of State forests declared for hunting purposes.
29 August 2006	91 citizens of New South Wales	Mrs Pavey	Requesting that the House halt the sale of Snowy Hydro, instigate a full and open inquiry into the facts behind the sale and call for a plebiscite to be held at the same time as the State election in March 2007 to gauge public attitude towards the future of Snowy Hydro.
29 August 2006	38 citizens of New South Wales	Dr Wong	Stating that budget restraints placed on the Parliament are extreme and will result in essential services not being provided to members and citizens of the state.
29 August 2006	20 citizens of New South Wales	Miss Gardiner	Requesting that the House call upon the Government to install flashing lights in 40km/hour schools zones across New South Wales as a matter of urgency.
30 August 2006	40 citizens of New South Wales	Ms Sharpe	Supporting an independent National Art School and opposing the amalgamation of two institutions and the manner in which negotiations have so far taken place.
30 August 2006	174 citizens of New South Wales	Revd Mr Nile	Praying that the House will preserve the rights and freedoms enjoyed by Christians in New South Wales and vote against the proposed Anti-Discrimination Amendment (Removal of Exemptions) Bill.
30 August 2006	39 citizens of New South Wales	Revd Dr Moyes	Stating that the sale of alcohol should be restricted to the existing outlets and the hours and days of opening should be reduced and to help protect the young, warning labels should be displayed on all containers of alcoholic beverages.
30 August 2006	144 citizens of New South Wales	Ms Hale	Stating that Nambucca Shire Council allows a bus depot to operate from 53 Borefield Road, Bowraville, and requesting that the House call on the Minister for Planning to investigate excessive traffic movement, air and dust pollution, vibration, contamination of bore water and other risks from onsite fuel tanks, and potential health risks for residents.
30 August 2006	30 citizens of New South Wales	Revd Mr Nile	Praying that the House will preserve religious freedoms and vote against the changes proposed under the Anti Discrimination Amendment (Religious Tolerance) Bill.
30 August 2006	505 citizens of New South Wales	Ms Rhiannon	Stating that exploratory mining activities for rubies, sapphires and other gemstones within the Barrington Tops State Forest and Conservation Areas are likely to cause significant and irreversible damage.

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30 August 2006	50 citizens of New South Wales	Ms Rhiannon	Requesting that the House halt the sale of Snowy Hydro Limited and call for a plebiscite to be held at the same time as the State election in March 2007 to gauge public opinion on the sale.
30 August 2006	79 people	Ms Rhiannon	Praying that the House halt the Lake Cowal Gold Mining Project and not grant further approvals for a mine at Lake Cowal.
31 August 2006	113 citizens of New South Wales	Revd Mr Nile	Calling on the Government to enact laws for the provision of accurate records and statistics on abortions, to protect, by law, foetuses of 20 weeks gestation and make resources available for pre- and post-abortion follow-up.
31 August 2006	77 citizens of New South Wales	Ms Parker	Stating their opposition to the proposed Bateman's and Port Stephens Marine Park.
31 August 2006	102 residents of Lithgow and the Blue Mountains and other residents of New South Wales	Mr Cohen	Requesting that the House remove the Newnes, Ben Bullen, Hampton, Jenolan, Nullo Mountain and Coricudgy State Forest areas of the Blue Mountains from the list of State forests declared for hunting purposes.
31 August 2006	30 citizens of New South Wales	Revd Mr Nile	Requesting that the House uphold the Commonwealth's exclusive power to make laws with respect to marriage, recognize the definition of marriage in the Marriage Act 1961, and defeat the Same-Sex Marriage Bill 2005 and cognates.
31 August 2006	72 citizens of New South Wales	Ms Parker	Requesting that the House ensure that funding allows access to the free breast cancer screening program for women aged 40-79 years, give greater priority to the scheme and continue to support preventative women's health programs.
5 September 2006	55 residents of Lithgow and the Blue Mountains and other residents of New South Wales	Mr Cohen	Requesting that the House remove the Newnes, Ben Bullen, Hampton, Jenolan, Nullo Mountain and Coricudgy State Forest areas of the Blue Mountains from the list of State forests declared for hunting purposes.
5 September 2006	320 citizens of New South Wales	Revd Mr Nile	Requesting that the House uphold the Commonwealth's exclusive power to make laws with respect to marriage, recognize the definition of marriage in the Marriage Act 1961, and defeat the Same-Sex Marriage Bill 2005 and cognates.
5 September 2006	227 citizens of New South Wales	Ms Hale	Requesting that the House halt the sale of Snowy Hydro Limited and call for a plebiscite to be held at the same time as the State election in March 2007 to gauge public opinion on the sale.
5 September 2006	104 citizens of New South Wales	Revd Mr Nile	Calling on the Government to enact laws for the provision of accurate records and statistics on abortions, to protect, by law, foetuses of 20 weeks gestation and make resources available for pre- and post-abortion follow-up.
6 September 2006	45 citizens of New South Wales	Ms Rhiannon	Stating that the Anti-Discrimination Act fails to provide adequate protection for bisexual and intersex people or people living with a same sex partner and praying that the House supports the Greens legislation that does not discriminate on a person's homosexuality or transgender status.

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7 September 2006	211 citizens of New South Wales	Revd Mr Nile	Requesting that the House uphold the Commonwealth's exclusive power to make laws with respect to marriage, recognize the definition of marriage in the Marriage Act 1961, and defeat the Same-Sex Marriage Bill 2005 and cognates.
7 September 2006	52 citizens of New South Wales	Revd Dr Moyes	Requesting that the House call on the Minister for Health and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health) to approve and adopt the recommendation of the Mental Health Review Tribunal and release Ms Kylie Fitter from Junuperina Juvenile Justice Centre.
19 September 2006	49 citizens of New South Wales	Revd Mr Nile	Requesting that the House uphold the Commonwealth's exclusive power to make laws with respect to marriage, recognize the definition of marriage in the Marriage Act 1961, and defeat the Same-Sex Marriage Bill 2005 and cognates.
19 September 2006	125 citizens of New South Wales	Revd Dr Moyes	Praying that the House will preserve the rights and freedoms enjoyed by Christians in New South Wales and vote against the proposed Anti-Discrimination Amendment (Removal of Exemptions) Bill.
19 September 2006	48 citizens of New South Wales	Miss Gardiner	Requesting that the House call upon the Government to install flashing lights in 40km/hour schools zones across New South Wales as a matter of urgency.
19 September 2006	28 citizens of New South Wales	Revd Mr Nile	Stating that the Government should restrict the sale of alcohol to protect the health and welfare of its citizens.
20 September 2006	45 citizens of New South Wales	Mr Gallacher	Stating their opposition to any further downgrade or sale of the Annandale Police Station.
20 September 2006	37 citizens of New South Wales	Revd Mr Nile	Calling on the Government to enact laws for the provision of accurate records and statistics on abortions, to protect, by law, foetuses of 20 weeks gestation and make resources available for pre- and post-abortion follow-up.
20 September 2006	66 citizens of New South Wales	Revd Mr Nile	Praying that the House will preserve the rights and freedoms enjoyed by Christians in New South Wales and vote against the proposed Anti-Discrimination Amendment (Removal of Exemptions) Bill.
21 September 2006	30 citizens of New South Wales	Revd Mr Nile	Praying that the House will preserve religious freedoms and vote against the changes proposed under the Anti Discrimination Amendment (Religious Tolerance) Bill.
26 September 2006	15 citizens of New South Wales	Ms Hale	Opposing the amalgamation of the College of Fine Arts and the National Art School, and requesting that the House consider higher education models for the arts sector that will allow for a continuation of the fine arts degree program, retain the Atelier model of teaching to all students and retention of all staff and site.
26 September 2006	47 citizens of New South Wales	Revd Mr Nile	Praying that the House will preserve the rights and freedoms enjoyed by Christians in New South Wales and vote against the proposed Anti-Discrimination Amendment (Removal of Exemptions) Bill.

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26 September 2006	286 citizens of New South Wales	Ms Hale	Requesting that the House urge the Government to withdraw the BASIX exemption for high-rise development, and require high-rise buildings to meet the same sustainability standards as free standing homes.
17 October 2006	30 residents of Lithgow and the Blue Mountains and other residents of New South Wales	Mr Cohen	Requesting that the House remove the Newnes, Ben Bullen, Hampton, Jenolan, Nullo Mountain and Coricudgy State Forest areas of the Blue Mountains from the list of State forests declared for hunting purposes.
17 October 2006	221 citizens of New South Wales	Mr Breen	Requesting that the House call on the Government to offer a public apology to Roseanne Catt, and call on the Attorney General to investigate allegations of conspiracy, perjury, contempt of court and fraud in the original trial and appeal processes.
17 October 2006	29 citizens of New South Wales	Mr Gay	Asking the House to support primary producers by opposing any cuts to key field staff, front line services and research and development.
17 October 2006	30 citizens of New South Wales	Ms Hale	Stating that a desalination plant would increase the state's electricity usage, use huge amounts of water, and further degrade Botany Bay, and requesting that the House take urgent action to ensure a sustainable water supply through the implementation of programs such as storm water harvesting, water recycling, and the installation of water saving devices.
18 October 2006	221 citizens of New South Wales	Revd Dr Moyes	Requesting that the House call on the Minister for Health and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health) to approve and adopt the recommendation of the Mental Health Review Tribunal and release Ms Kylie Fitter from Junuperina Juvenile Justice Centre.
19 October 2006	67 citizens of New South Wales	Ms Rhiannon	Stating that the Anti-Discrimination Act fails to provide adequate protection for bisexual and intersex people or people living with a same sex partner and praying that the House supports the Greens legislation that does not discriminate on a person's homosexuality or transgender status.
19 October 2006	1,566 citizens of New South Wales	Mr Jenkins	Objecting to proposals to extend national parks, or create new national parks, in the Gardens of Stone and Western Escarpment areas, and requesting that the House call upon the Government to protect free and open access to local crown land and reject any attempt to provide legislative force for these proposals.
19 October 2006	332 citizens of New South Wales	Ms Rhiannon	Stating that the evidence is overwhelming that man-made greenhouse gases are warming the atmosphere, endangering the environment and changing the climate, and requesting that the House call upon the Government to cease subsidising the price of coal to its state-owned power stations.
19 October 2006	20 citizens of New South Wales	Mr Colless	Requesting that rental increases for Crown land leases, particularly road permits, be withdrawn and a new and fair system implemented.

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25 October 2006	13 citizens of New South Wales	Mr Catanzariti	Requesting that the House uphold the Commonwealth's exclusive power to make laws with respect to marriage, recognize the definition of marriage in the Marriage Act 1961, and defeat the Same-Sex Marriage Bill 2005 and cognates.
25 October 2006	94 citizens of New South Wales	Revd Dr Moyes	Requesting that the House support amendments to the Uniting Church in Australia Act 1977 that seek to statutorily recognise, uphold and protect the property, legal and moral rights of a congregation that chooses to disassociate from the Uniting Church in Australia.
26 October 2006	7,067 citizens of New South Wales	Mr Jenkins	Objecting to the continued prevention of the use of public land, waterways and oceans for activities such as the enjoyment of nature and fishing, and requesting that the House refuse to support any legislation which erodes the fundamental right to use public land and waterways, and take steps to reverse existing legislation which erodes these rights.
14 November 2006	260 citizens of New South Wales	Revd Mr Nile	Praying that the House will preserve the rights and freedoms enjoyed by Christians in New South Wales and vote against the proposed Anti-Discrimination Amendment (Removal of Exemptions) Bill.
14 November 2006	16 citizens of New South Wales	Mrs Pavey	Similar request.
14 November 2006	16 citizens of New South Wales	Mr Donnelly	Similar request.
14 November 2006	13 citizens of New South Wales	Mr Donnelly	Requesting that the House uphold the Commonwealth's exclusive power to make laws with respect to marriage, recognize the definition of marriage in the Marriage Act 1961, and defeat the Same-Sex Marriage Bill 2005 and cognates.
14 November 2006	13 citizens of New South Wales	Mr Clarke	Similar request.
14 November 2006	150 citizens of New South Wales	Revd Mr Nile	Similar request.
14 November 2006	17 citizens of New South Wales	Ms Parker	Requesting that the House ensure that funding allows access to the free breast cancer screening program for women aged 40-79 years, give greater priority to the scheme and continue to support preventative women's health programs.
14 November 2006	42 citizens of New South Wales	Revd Mr Nile	Stating that the advertisement of alcoholic beverages in the community has an adverse effect upon the youth of society, and requesting that the House support the Alcoholic Beverages Advertising Prohibition Bill.
14 November 2006	66 citizens of New South Wales	Revd Mr Nile	Praying that the House will respect the rights and responsibilities of parents by taking stronger action against child abuse, and rejecting all proposals to increase government control over families that take away the choice of parents to use corporal discipline in the home.

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15 November 2006	298 citizens of New South Wales	Mr Tsang	Requesting that the House call upon the Minister for Health and the Minister for Ageing and Disability Services to investigate options for providing specialist support services for sufferers of Parkinson's disease, and safe and adequate premises for Parkinson's New South Wales Inc.
15 November 2006	136 citizens of New South Wales	Revd Mr Nile	Calling on the Government to enact laws for the provision of accurate records and statistics on abortions, to protect, by law, foetuses of 20 weeks gestation and make resources available for pre- and post-abortion follow-up.
15 November 2006	198 citizens of New South Wales	Ms Rhiannon	Stating that the proposed mine at Anvil Hill in the Upper Hunter would fuel global climate change, and requesting that the House call upon the Government to ensure that the Anvil Hill mine does not go ahead.
15 November 2006	74 citizens of New South Wales	Ms Rhiannon	Stating that the proposed Coal Export Terminal at Newcastle Harbour would fuel global climate change and allow new coal mines such as Anvil Hill to be developed, and requesting that the House call upon the Government to ensure that the proposed Coal Export Terminal does not go ahead.
16 November 2006	13 citizens of New South Wales	Mr Colless	Requesting that the House uphold the Commonwealth's exclusive power to make laws with respect to marriage, recognize the definition of marriage in the Marriage Act 1961, and defeat the Same-Sex Marriage Bill 2005 and cognates.
21 November 2006	16 business owners and managers of the community of Coraki	Mr Colless	Stating that an unpleasant odour from a feedlot and silage operation at a farm on the Richmond River at Coraki is impacting on customers and tourism, and requesting that action be taken to cease the operation of the feedlot and silage operation.
21 November 2006	20 citizens of New South Wales	Mrs Pavey	Requesting that rental increases for Crown land leases, particularly road permits, be withdrawn and a new and fair system implemented.
23 November 2006	925 citizens of the Dungog Shire Local Government Area	Ms Griffin	Stating that criminal activities within their townships have been increasing significantly, and requesting that the House take action to provide citizens with uniformed 24 hour policing of the area to deter crime and ensure that incidents are successfully investigated.
23 November 2006	1,261 citizens of New South Wales	Miss Gardiner	Irregular petition—Stating their opposition to the proposed construction of any commercial or residential complex on Crown Land in Coral Street, Tweed Heads, and the reclaiming of any part of the Jack Evans Boatharbour for the construction of a new cultural and tourism centre, and requesting that the House take action to stop the proposal, stop the sale of Crown Land in the harbour precincts, and rezone the land to public open space for future generations to enjoy.

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23 November 2006	1,689 citizens of New South Wales	Ms Cusack	Requesting that the House call upon the Government to introduce regular, affordable local passenger trains on the Casino-Murwillumbah rail line; commence planning for a rail link from Murwillumbah to the Gold Coast; promote the expansion of rail freight; and develop an integrated transport plan that meets the current and future transport needs of communities in the Northern Rivers region.
23 November 2006	963 citizens of New South Wales	Miss Gardiner	Stating their opposition to the proposed construction of a four storey commercial and residential complex on Crown Land in Coral Street, Tweed Heads, and the extension of the Jack Evans Boatharbour to accommodate a cultural centre, being items 11 and 4 in the Jack Evans Boatharbour redevelopment plans recently displayed at Tweed Mall.

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