

**Submission  
No 4**

## **PREPARATIONS FOR THE 2015 NSW STATE ELECTION**

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The Fishing Party would like to submit for the Inquiry the following matter under clause 3 – “Related Matters” of your Inquiry references.

1. Under Clause 96K of the Election Funding, Expenditure and Disclosures Act 1981 No 78 there is provision at sub cl (3) (a) (b) (c) where it clearly states that the Authority may waive compliance with the audit requirement in those cases.

The Fishing Party has been previously refused a waiver under the above conditions without a reasonable explanation from the Authority and on face value the Authority has not recognized clause 96K at all. Why?

As in Local Government Elections the same scenario had a waiver that was declared at below the ceiling of \$2,500.00.

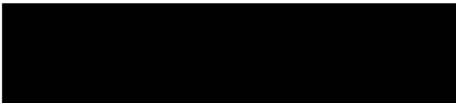
The Fishing Party would like to see 96K addressed/accepted by the Authority and the \$2,500.00 below limit introduced.

2. The Fishing Party also alerts the Inquiry into Clause 41 of the Election Funding, Expenditure and Disclosures Act 1981 No 78 to which may be made invalid under sub cls (2) (8) (9) (10) by cl 27 because:

3. The Commissioner is exceeding his authority under C1 66D of the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act 1912 No 41 because at (2) (c) a Registered Officer does not have to be “Qualified for anything” or be on the Electoral Roll as the Commissioner insists but rather just have a name and address

As an example, the current ICAC Investigations along with Royal Commissions into corruption have exposed the best evidence yet as to how an unqualified Party Registered Officer could not assume the position of Party Agent and the responsibility that that job calls for.

Yours truly,



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*It's more than just "fishin"*