

**Submission  
No 22**

**ADMINISTRATION OF THE 2023 NSW STATE ELECTION AND OTHER  
MATTERS**

**Organisation:** Public Service Association of NSW

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Mr Peter Primrose MLC  
Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters  
Parliament House  
Macquarie St  
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Dear Mr Primrose,

### Administration of the 2023 NSW state election and other matters

Thank you for the opportunity to submit to this Inquiry.

The Public Service Association (PSA) represents state public servants from across all government Clusters, Departments and State-Owned Corporations, inclusive of the tertiary education sector within NSW. Our primary role is to represent our members and protect their Industrial rights.

The PSA is not affiliated with any political party within NSW. However, the nature of our work means we are constantly representing our members in a way that corresponds to the actions defined and regulated by the Electoral Act.

The PSA has previously provided submissions to Inquiries of this type around issues that affect our members. We attach relevant submissions to this letter.

In relation to the specific issues raised in the terms of reference to this Inquiry, we support the propositions that:

- i. Entities and individuals whose business relates to property development should be prohibited from making political donations.
- ii. It is necessary to address the risk of property developers making political donations through shell companies.
- iii. Truth in political advertising laws for New South Wales state elections **would** enhance the integrity and transparency of the electoral system, taking into account any implications of the Commonwealth's Communications Legislation Amendment (Combating Misinformation and Disinformation) Bill 2023.

Please do not hesitate to contact [redacted]  
[redacted] should you wish to follow up on this submission.

Yours faithfully

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Troy Wright  
Assistant General Secretary

19 February 2024 -

## Attachments

Caps on third-party campaigners' electoral expenditure in s29(11) and s35 of the Electoral Funding Act 2028, [Submission 1 - Public Service Association of NSW](#)

Inquiry into Electoral Funding Amendment Bill 2023, [Submission 2 - Public Service Association of NSW](#)