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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Order for Papers - Review of criminal law protections against the incitement of hatred

Mr Ruddick says—

Mr PRESIDENT: I give notice that on the next sitting day I will move:

That, under standing order 52, there be laid upon the table of the House within 21 days of the date of passing of this resolution all documents created since 7 October 2023 in the possession, custody or control of the Premier, the Attorney General, the Minister for Police and Counter-Terrorism and Minister for the Hunter or NSW Police Force relating to the Review of criminal law protections against the incitement of hatred, undertaken by the Honourable John Sackar AM KC, and any legal or other advice regarding the scope or validity of this order of the House created as a result of this order of the House.

Signed

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Dated

5.2.26



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

NOTICE OF MOTION

Mr President,

I move that

That this House notes that:

1. Biathlon is an Olympic and Winter Olympic sport that requires athletes to lawfully own, possess and use specialised small-bore firearms as an essential element of training and competition;
2. Firearms used in biathlon competitions are typically Category A firearms under the *Firearms Act 1996 (NSW)* and are possessed for a genuine sporting purpose consistent with section 12 of that Act and clause 6 of the *Firearms Regulation 2017 (NSW)*;
3. Australian biathletes compete at state, national and international levels, including the Winter Olympic Games, and are subject to strict licensing, storage and safety requirements under the *Firearms Act 1996* and *Firearms Regulation 2017*, as well as oversight by recognised national and international sporting bodies.
4. Recent changes to New South Wales firearms legislation and regulations, together with recent and proposed changes to Commonwealth firearms import and export arrangements, including the removal of B709 import and export permits, have created uncertainty and unintended consequences for elite sporting competitors.
5. In particular, the absence of clear exemptions, approvals or regulatory pathways under the *Firearms Regulation 2017*, including within Part 7 (Permits) and related provisions dealing with possession, acquisition and movement of firearms, may result in Olympic and high-performance biathlon athletes being unable to lawfully import, re-import or retain their competition firearms in New South Wales.

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6. Without appropriate regulatory exemptions or transitional arrangements under the *Firearms Regulation 2017*, New South Wales athletes competing in upcoming international events, including the Winter Olympic Games, may be prevented from returning to New South Wales with their firearms, effectively ending their ability to train and compete;
7. These outcomes are unintended and arise despite full compliance by affected athletes with the *Firearms Act 1996*, the *Firearms Regulation 2017*, and all applicable safety and licensing requirements.

That this House calls on the NSW Government to:

1. Urgently review the *Firearms Regulation 2017*, including clauses relating to genuine reasons, permits, exemptions and approvals, as they apply to athletes competing in state, national and international shooting sports.
2. Ensure that appropriate exemptions, permits or regulatory mechanisms are established under the *Firearms Regulation 2017* to allow athletes representing New South Wales and Australia in recognised competitions, including biathlon, to lawfully possess, import and re-import their competition firearms.
3. Implement transitional arrangements to ensure that no athlete is disadvantaged by recent or concurrent changes to State and Commonwealth firearms regulatory frameworks.
4. Consult with affected athletes, recognised sporting organisations and relevant authorities to ensure that New South Wales firearms laws continue to support legitimate Olympic and high-performance sporting participation; and
5. Take all necessary steps to ensure that New South Wales does not inadvertently exclude or penalise elite athletes who comply fully with all legal, safety and licensing requirements.

Signed



Dated

8/2/26



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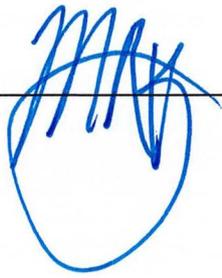
Mr Buttigieg says—

Mr PRESIDENT:

I give notice that on the next sitting day I will move:

1. That this House recognises that on the 27th of January 2026, The Hon Mark Buttigieg MLC represented the Minister for Work Health and Safety, The Hon Sophie Cotsis at the launch of the 2026 \$2.5 million Lung Bus tour of NSW alongside Tim Crakanthorp, the State Member for Newcastle.
2. That this House also recognises:
 - a. The Lung Health Mobile Clinic program run by icare, is an important part of the Minns Labor Government's commitment to protect workers from dust diseases including Asbestosis, Mesothelioma and Silicosis by providing lung checks to people across NSW.
 - b. The program provides free lung screening checks to more than 5,000 workers annually in regional NSW.
 - c. The program is working to strengthen workplace safety utilising the NSW Silica Worker Register in collaboration with SafeWork, identifying and monitoring workers exposed to respirable crystalline silica with the goal of eliminating the risks associated with silica, a high priority for the Minns Labor Government.
 - d. The program ensures those most at risk are prioritised for screening, follow-up care and specialist referral where needed.
3. That this House congratulates Minister Cotsis and the Minns Labor Government, iCare and Safework on working to maintain their commitment to protect workers against dust diseases.

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Dated

5 Feb 2026



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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

NOTICE OF MOTION

Mr Borsak says—

Mr PRESIDENT:

I give notice that on the next sitting day I will move that this house:

- (1) Acknowledges that the greyhound racing industry in New South Wales is a long-standing regional industry and pastime that provides employment, recreation, and community connection for thousands of people, particularly in regional and outer-metropolitan areas;
- (2) Recognises that greyhound owners, trainers, and participants are dedicated animal carers who genuinely love their greyhounds, treat them as valued members of their families, and invest significant time and resources into their health, welfare, and rehoming
- (3) Notes that the greyhound racing industry in New South Wales is already the most heavily regulated animal-related industries in the State, subject to extensive oversight, compliance requirements, inspections, reporting obligations, and welfare standards administered by the Greyhound Welfare and Integrity Commission (GWIC);
- (4) Further notes that the industry has been adversely affected by the recent closure of several greyhound tracks, including Dapto Dogs after nearly 90 years, Wagga Wagga, Broken Hill, and Muswellbrook, with other regional tracks such as Orange and Maitland facing uncertainty;
- (5) Recognises that these closures have significant impacts on regional communities, including the loss of long-standing cultural and social hubs, reduced economic activity, threats to employment and casual work opportunities, and increased travel burdens for trainers and participants, effectively limiting their ability to continue racing;
- (6) Notes that these closures and ongoing attacks on the industry are often ideologically driven by extremist animal welfare activists who are not seeking to improve welfare outcomes but to abolish lawful and well-regulated recreational and community activities;

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- (4) Condemns the repeated mischaracterisation of the greyhound industry and its participants as cruel or indifferent to animal welfare, which unfairly maligns responsible owners and undermines community confidence in a lawful and well-regulated industry;
 - (5) Calls on the NSW Government to support evidence-based animal welfare policy, to stand up for regional industries and working families, and to reject policy-making driven by ideology, misinformation, or activist pressure rather than facts and outcomes; and
 - (6) Affirms that genuine animal welfare outcomes are best achieved through cooperation with industry participants, not through constant attacks, public vilification, or the pursuit of abolitionist agendas that ignore both evidence and lived experience.

Signed



Dated

5/4/20



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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

NOTICE OF MOTION

Mr Borsak says—

Mr PRESIDENT:

I give notice that on the next sitting day I will move:

- (1) That this House notes with grave concern the widespread and ongoing reports of a violent crackdown by the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran, under the direction of Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, against civilian protesters across Iran.
- (2) That this House notes that credible reports from human rights organisations, journalists, and independent observers indicate that thousands and possibly tens of thousands of Iranian civilians have been killed during this crackdown, with exact figures difficult to verify due to internet shutdowns, media suppression and restrictions on independent investigation.
- (3) That this House notes with concern that this crackdown is part of a long pattern of unrest in since the establishment of the Islamic Republic in 1979, including:
 - (a) 1979 Early Post-Revolution Unrest: Women's protests against compulsory hijab and regional uprisings such as the Kurdish rebellion and Khuzestan insurgency;
 - (b) 1999 Student Protests: Mass demonstrations following the closure of a reformist newspaper, highlighting political repression;
 - (c) 2009 Green Movement: Nationwide protests after the disputed presidential election, advocating for political reform and challenging electoral fraud;
 - (d) 2017–2018 Economic Protests: Demonstrations across cities over rising inflation, unemployment, and economic mismanagement;
 - (e) 2019 Fuel Price Protests: Widespread unrest sparked by sudden increases in gasoline prices, met with a violent crackdown and internet shutdown

- (f) 2022–2023 “Woman, Life, Freedom” / Mahsa Amini Protests: Nationwide protests following the death of Mahsa Amini in morality police custody, demanding women’s rights and political freedoms
 - (g) 2025–2026 Protests: The current unrest, regarded as the largest uprising since 1979 in scale and intensity, with thousands killed and tens of thousands detained.
- (4) That this House notes with profound disappointment the deafening silence from the “Bridge-walking MLCs” in this place and members in the other place, along with the broader cohort of wokist alarmist professional apologists and demonstrators, who have been conspicuously vocal on other international matters in the past two years yet have failed to condemn, acknowledge or meaningfully respond to the mass killing of civilians by the Iranian regime.
 - (5) That this House condemns unequivocally the use of lethal force, mass arrests, intimidation and repression against unarmed civilians, including women and young people, who have sought to exercise basic freedoms of expression and protest.
 - (6) That this House expresses its sympathy and solidarity with the people of Iran, particularly the families of those killed, injured, detained or disappeared as a result of state violence.
 - (6) That this House calls on the NSW government and all members in this place to affirm that human rights are universal and must be defended consistently, without selective outrage, ideological convenience or moral double standards.

Signed 

Dated 5/2/26



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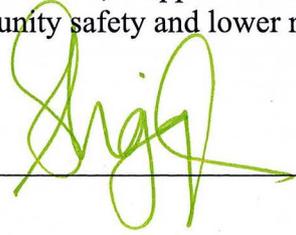
Ms Higginson says—

Mr PRESIDENT:

I give notice that on the next sitting day I will move:

- (1) That this House notes that analysis from the Productivity Commission has found:
 - (a) Australia spent over \$1.1 billion locking up children last year
 - (b) Australia now spends up to \$1.3 million per child per year to lock children up who are as young as 10 years old,
 - (c) Public spending on locking up kids has ballooned by \$400 million in the past 5 years, and
- (2) That this House notes that instead of spending \$1 million to lock up one child for one year, traumatise them, and entrench them in the criminal justice system, \$1 million would instead be more than enough to pay for:
 - (a) One year's worth of psychologist visits for that child,
 - (b) One year's worth of psychiatrist visits for that child,
 - (c) One year of medication for that child,
 - (d) One year's worth of care from a social worker for that child,
 - (e) One year of free meals for that child,
 - (f) One year of free public transport for that child,
 - (g) One year's salary for that child's teacher,
 - (h) One year of rent, water, electricity and other utility costs to facilitate that child's safe housing,
 - (i) One year of enrolment in a diversionary program for that child to address criminal behaviour,

- (j) One year of sports activities for that child, and
 - (k) One year of programs connecting that child to Country if that child is First Nations, and
- (3) That this House calls on the Minns Labor Government to stop perpetuating a wasted harmful cycle of youth detention and instead break the cycle by investing in prevention, support and care for children, which will ensure genuine community safety and lower rates of crime.

Signed 

Dated 5/2/26 .



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

NOTICE OF MOTION

Ms Higginson says—

Mr PRESIDENT:

I give notice that on the next sitting day I will move:

(1) That this House notes that:

- (a) Glenbog State Forest is a high elevation cloud forest in Southern NSW that functions as a critical climate refugia for threatened species, providing cool, stable and moisture-rich habitat,
- (b) community science surveys in compartments 2312A and 2315A recorded extensive threatened species habitat, including 103 greater glider den trees and hundreds of wombat burrows,
- (c) the same surveys identified 775 locations requiring formal or informal logging exclusion zones, which were not identified or protected by the Forestry Corporation NSW,
- (d) the Forestry Corporation has commenced logging related activities in Glenbog State Forest, including a roading operation, despite the density of recorded threatened species habitat,
- (e) native vegetation and trees have been destroyed in close proximity to known greater glider den trees, including records listed on BioNet, raising serious concerns about the legality of the Forestry Corporation's activities, and
- (f) trees logged during the roading operation in Glenbog State Forest have been loaded onto trucks and transported off site for processing, indicating that the activity involved commercial timber extraction rather than limited road safety or maintenance works.

(2) That this House calls on the Government to:

- (a) halt any further planned logging activities in Glenbog State Forest,

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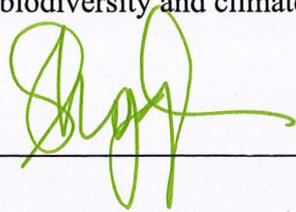
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- (b) place a moratorium on further logging while the ecological values of the forest are properly assessed, and
- (c) consider Glenbog State Forest for permanent protection in recognition of its biodiversity and climate refuge values.

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Dated 5/2/26 _____



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

NOTICE OF MOTION

Ms Higginson says—

Mr PRESIDENT:

I give notice that on the next sitting day I will move:

- (1) That this House notes:
 - (a) that the Metropolitan Special Programs Centre, the area within the Long Bay Correctional Complex where incarcerated people await medical treatment, was found by the Inspector of Custodial Services to be severely dilapidated and unsafe, with mouldy walls, rusted beds, cockroach infestations, old cat faeces and cat hair, and several ligature points,
 - (b) it is primarily injured, unwell and disabled inmates who access services through the Metropolitan Special Programs Centre, and
 - (c) the Inspector found a homophobic, transphobic and misogynistic poster on the fridge of the inmate kitchen within the Centre generated by Corrective Services NSW staff, asking queer and disabled inmates to sign a form reading: "I am thin skinned, I am a pussy, I have confused hormones, My Man Rod is not as firm as it should be... I am teased because of my girlish looks, the wind keeps blowing up my skirt,"
- (2) That this House calls on the Minns Labor Government to implement the Inspector of Custodial Service's recommendations concerning Long Bay Correctional Complex in full, including:
 - (a) Permanently shut down the Metropolitan Special Programs Centre, and
 - (b) Take action to protect female inmates and LGBTQ+ inmates,
- (3) That this House calls on the Ministers for Corrections, Health and Mental Health to do whatever they must to establish an investigation into the origin of the homophobic, transphobic and misogynistic poster and ensure appropriate action is taken against any Corrective Services NSW or Justice Health staff with knowledge of its creation or display.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

NOTICE OF MOTION

Mrs Overall says—

Mr PRESIDENT:

I give notice that on the next sitting day I will move:

(1) That this House ^{notes} ~~expresses serious concern~~ ^(a) that outdated land tax laws are actively penalising primary producers who diversify their farms simply to survive.

(2) That this House: *further notes*

(a) ~~notes~~ *notes that some farmers have faced land tax increases of up to \$300,000, entirely the result of legislative definitions that are failing to keep pace with modern practices and land values,*

(b) ~~further notes~~ *that the statutory definition of primary production has remained largely unchanged for more than 25 years, despite government encouraging agritourism, value-adding and diversification as essential risk-management tools,*

(c) *acknowledges documented cases where farmers have lost their land tax exemption for undertaking complementary activities even where primary production remains the dominant land use, and that some land essential to farming operations has been excluded from exemption despite being integral to primary production,*

(d) *recognises current tax settings are actively discouraging investment, with scores of farmers delaying expansion due to fear of losing primary producer status, and*

(e) ~~(d)~~ *acknowledges the growing importance of agritourism as a \$20 billion industry, delivering disproportionate benefits to regional communities, while genuine farming operations are being dragged into the tax system without any real change in land use.*

(3) That this House calls on the NSW Government to urgently modernise the definition of primary production, reinstate indexation of land tax thresholds, and provide certainty that diversification encouraged by government policy will not be punished by the tax system.

Signed Nicholas Deed

Dated 5/2/26



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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

NOTICE OF MOTION

Mrs Overall says—

Mr PRESIDENT:

I give notice that on the next sitting day I will move:

(1) That this House notes:

(a) ~~notes~~^{that} the NSW Government's planning and consultation processes for the New England Renewable Energy Zone has failed to adequately address water supply security for Walcha, Armidale, and surrounding local government areas,

(b) that the NSW Government's own recent Water and Wastewater Security Study identifies Walcha and Uralla as among the most impacted shires, with Walcha water demand alone increasing from currently around 1 megalitre per day to 11.9 megalitres per day,

(c) *that the study failed to model the long-term operational impacts on water of REZ-linked infrastructure, leaving a serious gap in understanding the permanent consequences for local communities and councils,*

(2) That this House:

(a) *recognises Walcha Council's stated concerns that without strong planning controls and genuine engagement, the scale of the REZ risks overwhelming essential services, transforming rural land use, and undermining local environmental and economic priorities,*

(b) *acknowledges that revised transmission corridor planning has intensified uncertainty and anxiety for landholders, without adequate response or assurance from the Government – the opposite of delivering a just transition,*

(c) *calls on the NSW Government to undertake independent impact assessments, provide binding guarantees for water supply, ensure transparent and genuine consultation with locals, and deliver a full water infrastructure plan for REZ projects so that communities have real certainty.*

Signed *Nicholas Deane* Dated *5/2/26*



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Yes

Signed: Nicholas Overall

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

NOTICE OF MOTION

Mrs Overall says—

Mr PRESIDENT:

I give notice that on the next sitting day I will move:

- (1) That this House celebrates the many events hosted here in NSW Parliament, particularly the afternoon of high regency, whimsy, and elegance, celebrating one of the most enduringly influential female novelists in the literary world, who famously opined “It is a truth universally acknowledged that a single man in possession of a good fortune, must be in want of a wife”; none other than Jane Austen on her 250th birthday at the ‘Jane Austen: A Literary High Tea’ event on 16 December 2025.

(2) That this House notes that:

(a) *on a guestlist that saw Parliament's Stranger's Room filled to bursting, which included the Hon. Nichole Overall MLC, was President of the Jane Austen Society of Australia, Susannah Fullerton, who enchanted the room by reading excerpts from Austen novels,*

(b) *guests were treated to a delightfully curated and ~~in~~ period menu ranging from homemade scones, to grape sandwiches, picnic pies, and even gooseberry tarts that, as Jane Austen would say, ~~is~~*
“~~was~~ a very friendly party, and the evening ~~for~~ afternoon in ~~the~~ passed away in the comfort of a well-spread table”
resulting in, to paraphrase Austen

(c) *“Without music, life would be a blank to me,” and as such, an additional treat for those in attendance was to hear ~~era-appropriate~~ music played on the pianoforte by the talented Joanna Butler, and*

of the era

(d) *at the very gracious allowance of the Parliamentary Library, on display for guests was the seldom seen Jane Austen collection of rare titles and works.*

3 (2) That this House congratulates the Jane Austen Society, Parliamentary Library and the Catering Team for hosting such a successful and memorable event.

4 (3) That this House wishes the iconic writer in all her literary majesty, Jane Austen, a very happy and belated 250th birthday.

Signed Michelle Dewar

Dated 5/2/26

PS: Quick show of hands on who agrees COLIN FIRTH IN BBC SERIES IS THE ONLY TRUE MR DACRY!



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Ms Boyd says—

Mr PRESIDENT:

I give notice that on the next sitting day I will move:

- (1) That this House notes that:
 - (a) native wildlife including threatened native birds, marsupials and mammals are being poisoned and killed by second-generation anticoagulant rodenticides (SGARs), a deadly class of chemicals which are readily available for purchase on supermarket shelves and online, and used by many businesses and local councils across NSW;
 - (b) in December 2025, the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA) handed down the findings of its four-year review of the poisons;
 - (c) the APVMA stopped short of recommending a blanket ban on SGAR products, failing to act on mounting evidence of the serious risks posed by these toxic poisons and instead proposing a set of inadequate measures that will not deliver any meaningful reduction in wildlife deaths from SGAR poisoning;
 - (d) the APVMA is now seeking submissions on the proposed regulation of SGARs;
 - (e) Australia is lagging behind other jurisdictions who have taken action to get rid of SGARs, including the United States and parts of Canada where they are banned from public sale, and the European Union where SGARs are highly restricted;

- (f) environmental scientists, wildlife experts, animal advocates and members of the community have consistently called for SGARs to be removed from public sale; and
 - (g) more local councils across NSW are taking action to restrict, phase out or eliminate SGARs from council operations, and call on state and federal governments to take action, including Albury City Council, Campbelltown Council, Clarence Valley Council, Coffs Harbour City Council, the City of Sydney, the City of Ryde, Northern Beaches Council, North Sydney Council and Tweed Shire Council.
- (2) That this House commends the many local councils, individuals, businesses, experts and advocates across NSW who have taken action against SGARs in an effort to protect our precious wildlife.
 - (3) That this House encourages everyone in the community to have their voices heard, by making a submission to the APVMA's ongoing review.
 - (4) That this House calls on the NSW government to:
 - (a) legislate a ban on the retail sale of SGARs;
 - (b) amend the NSW Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 to include SGARs in the list of key threatening processes;
 - (c) amend the NSW government's pest management practices for state-owned properties to prohibit the use of SGARs;
 - (d) encourage landholders through Local Land Services to avoid the use of SGARs and responsibly manage pest issues through licensed professionals; and
 - (e) commit to advocate to the Australian government to bring all anticoagulant rodenticides onto the restricted chemical products list including SGARs.

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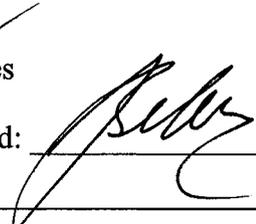


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Ms Boyd says—

Mr PRESIDENT:

I give notice that on the next sitting day I will move:

- (1) That this House notes the publication of Oxfam International’s report “Resisting the Rule of the Rich: Defending Freedom Against Billionaire Power” on 19 January 2026, which revealed that:
 - (a) the number of billionaires surpassed 3,000 for the first time during 2025, and the level of billionaire wealth is now higher than at any time in history;
 - (b) since 2020, the collective wealth of the world’s billionaires grew by 81 percent, or \$8.2 trillion, which would be enough to eradicate global poverty 26 times over;
 - (c) the world’s 12 richest billionaires have more wealth than the poorest half of humanity, or more than four billion people;
 - (d) meanwhile, one in four people globally face hunger, and the reduction of poverty has largely ground to a halt;
 - (e) Australia’s 48 billionaires hold more wealth than the bottom 40 percent of the population combined, almost 11 million people;
 - (f) average Australian billionaires’ wealth grew by almost \$600,000 a day in 2025 alone, or over \$10.5 billion collectively;
 - (g) the growth in wealth of Australia’s richest man and largest landlord, billionaire property developer Harry Triguboff in the last year alone is equal to the amount required to fund the construction of 10,600 homes;

- (h) a 5 percent wealth tax on Australia's billionaires just last year could have raised \$17.4 billion, enough to deliver cheap childcare for all families, extend energy bill relief for another two years, and increase the humanitarian budget almost seven times over;
 - (i) governments worldwide are making the wrong choice, choosing to defend wealth not freedom and failing ordinary people by capitulating to the increasingly blatant influence of the rich;
 - (j) working in solidarity and collaboration across our movements and organisations is vital to tackling our common challenges and changing narratives, and we must work together to build a worldwide people's movement to defend our rights, fight for a more equal world and demand an end to inequality and oligarchy;
 - (k) governments have the power to radically reduce economic inequality by implementing bold, progressive policy agendas and ambitious reforms to rewire our economies and societies for a more equal future; and
 - (l) concrete steps that governments can and should take include:
 - (i) effectively taxing the super-rich to reduce their economic power, including broad-base taxes on income and wealth at high enough rates to reduce massive levels of inequality;
 - (ii) regulate lobbying and revolving doors between public office and private interests through independent regulatory bodies, mandatory public lobby registers, stronger conflict of interest rules and implementing cooling-off periods to close revolving doors between big business and government;
 - (iii) promote media independence and prevent concentration of media ownership; and
 - (iv) protect and promote freedom of expression, assembly and association for citizens, movements, journalists and organisations to be able to organise, speak up and protest.
- (2) That this House further notes that Oxfam Australia is calling on the Australian government to take urgent action to tax the super-rich and remove tax breaks that allow them to amass extreme wealth, including:
- (a) introducing a net wealth tax on the richest 0.5 percent, with rates increasing in accordance with increased wealth;
 - (b) ending the capital gains tax discount for individuals and trusts; and
 - (c) phasing out negative gearing to close loopholes that allow wealthy individuals to pay less tax.
- (3) That this House calls on the NSW government to take urgent action to address the widening economic inequality driving more people in our state into poverty,

financial uncertainty, housing stress, homelessness and food insecurity, by advocating to the Australian government on behalf of the people of NSW for systemic progressive tax reform.

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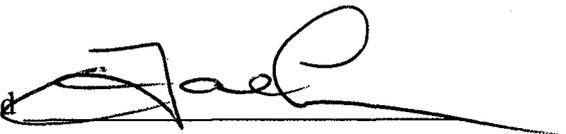
Ms Faehrmann says—

Mr PRESIDENT:

I give notice that on the next sitting day I will move:

- (1) That this House notes that the NSW Threatened Species Scientific Committee, in its Performance review of the Shark Meshing (Bather Protection) Program 2024/25:
 - (a) found that during the 2024–25 season there were 223 entanglements of marine wildlife, of which approximately 89 per cent were non-target species, and 49 interactions involved threatened or protected species,
 - (b) confirmed the mortality of critically endangered, endangered and vulnerable species, including Grey nurse Sharks, Scalloped and Great Hammerhead Sharks, White Sharks, Leatherback, Loggerhead and Green Turtles, as well as dolphins and other non-target marine fauna,
 - (c) found no improvement in the proportion of animals released alive, despite the introduction of additional mitigation measures, with only 33 per cent of animals released alive in 2024–25, a lower outcome than in several previous seasons,
 - (d) identified a significant discrepancy in reported entanglements, with capture rates recorded as nearly twice as high when independent observers were present, indicating that total interactions with shark nets are likely to be substantially underestimated,
 - (e) concluded there is a lack of evidence that shark meshing provides any additional bather protection benefit over alternative, non-lethal shark management measures, while causing ongoing and unacceptable harm to marine biodiversity, and
 - (f) stated it is “an unacceptable outcome” for such significant impacts on marine wildlife to continue in the absence of demonstrated safety benefits, and called for an urgent review of the necessity of ongoing shark net use
- (2) That this House calls on the NSW Government to:

- (a) Commit to ending the Shark Meshing (Bather Protection) Program and to permanently remove shark nets from NSW beaches,
- (b) Accelerate the transition to effective, non-lethal shark management measures, including technologies and strategies that minimise harm to marine life while protecting beachgoers, and
- (c) Act on the advice of the NSW Threatened Species Scientific Committee and ensure shark management policy is guided by independent science, transparency, and the precautionary principle.

Signed  Dated 5-2-06



I request that this item be called over as formal business on the next sitting day.

Yes

Signed: _____

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

NOTICE OF MOTION

Ms Faehrmann says—

Mr PRESIDENT:

I give notice that on the next sitting day I will move:

- (1) That this House notes with concern, the growing pattern of censorship and punitive action in Australia directed at Palestinian-Australians, as well as at artists, journalists, academics and community members who speak in support of Palestine or criticise the actions of the Israeli Government, which include but are not limited to:
 - (a) National broadcaster Triple J deleting an episode and cutting future hosting commitments for Miss Kaninna after she described Israel’s actions in Gaza as genocide,
 - (b) The cancellation of performances of The Seagull by Sydney Theatre Company in 2023 following three cast members wearing keffiyehs at curtain call as an expression of solidarity with Palestine,
 - (c) The unlawful termination of journalist Antoinette Lattouf by the ABC after she shared a post by Human Rights Watch about the war in Gaza,
 - (d) Creative Australia’s revocation of Lebanese Australian artist Khaled Sabsabi’s appointment to represent Australia at the Venice Biennale, and the subsequent cancellation of his exhibitions by Monash University, in response to concerns that his Middle-Eastern heritage may be a source of potential controversy,
 - (e) The cancellation by Melbourne Symphony Orchestra of performances by guest pianist Jayson Gillham after he dedicated a new piece of music he performed at a recital in August 2024 to ‘more than 100 Palestinian journalists killed in Gaza’,
 - (f) The barring of Gomeroy Ngiyampaa musician Jayden Kitchener-Waters from performing at an event at NSW Parliament because of political messages on his guitar,

- (g) The cancellation of the 2025 Bendigo Writers Festival after more than 50 writers, academics and participants boycotted the event following an attempt by the Australian Academic Alliance Against Antisemitism through La Trobe University, a major sponsor, to introduce a Code of Conduct, and
- (h) The cancellation of the 2026 Adelaide Writers Festival, following significant backlash including 180 authors and participants pulling out of the event after Palestinian-Australian author and academic Randa Abdel-Fattah was disinvited following pressure from the South Australian Government.

(2) That this House:

- (a) Acknowledges that the Article 19.2 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights states that “Everyone shall have the right to freedom of expression; this right shall include freedom to seek, receive and impart information and ideas of all kinds, regardless of frontiers, either orally, in writing or in print, in the form of art, or through any other media of his choice.”
- (b) Supports the fundamental right of all members of the community to be able to freely express political views, including criticising the actions of governments, where these actions do not incite violence, and
- (c) Affirms that censorship or exclusion based on race, nationality, faith or religion, gender or sexual identity is incompatible with Australia’s democratic values and international human rights obligations.

Signed



Dated

5-2-26