

Submission  
No 388

**INQUIRY INTO THE PRIVATISATION OF PRISONS AND  
PRISON-RELATED SERVICES**

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## **The privatisation of prisons and prison-related services (Inquiry)**

The Committee,

Please accept this submission to the above inquiry.

I wish to offer my thoughts on this subject.

Firstly please understand that I am a true blue Labor Party voter, and I always have been. But no more!! I can't believe that any Labor government could even think about treating the workers and unions like this government has, let alone actually doing it! Surely there is someone else, like Corrective Services, putting forward this horrible privatisation policy. There must be other ways to save the money they want and to fix what's wrong in the jails. This has really made me wonder if this government is or ever could be again, the Labor Party I know and have supported all my life. I'm not sure I will ever vote Labor again!

I own a business in Kurri Kurri & there are a number of guards that live locally & a few that as they go to or from work buy my products. They tell me that they might have to move away and some are really worried they might have to quit because they can't move. This will affect my livelihood as well. This is not very fair either.

**I DON'T SUPPORT THIS PRIVATISATION POLICY FOR ALL THESE REASONS!!**

Mark Williams