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

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I find that privatising Corrections is absurd. One should look at the operation of NSW's only private prison in that it operates at maximum capacity in order that the Government gets maximum output for their money. This means it is used as the dumping ground for any prisoners. Further Junee has a history of violence.

Private operators responsible for the management of people's imprisonment amounts to slavery. Further it is a furphy that private is cheaper, as they do not provide the programs necessary for the rehabilitation of prisoners.

Privatising Parklea and Cessnock is a way that absolves the state of custodial management. As they will then say it's the private operators fault. That's why Victoria reclaimed their private prisons. Also why the former NSW Government reclaimed Port Macquarie Hospital.

Services will be reduced and communities at risk for the sake of profit.

Why is the new Minister for Corrective Services still pushing ahead with these absurd proposals when only 6 months ago he was opposed and spoke against private detention centres?

Regards