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INQUIRY INTO EDUCATION AMENDMENT (ETHICS CLASSES REPEAL) BILL 2011

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To the Director,

I am strongly in support of the Ethics classes currently being run in NSW parallel to the SRE classes. This provides parents with a choice. I question as to why this review is taking place other than to placate Fred Nile and the Christian Democrats. I further would ask that a similar review be conducted on the SRE classes.

If these classes cease it would be a great shame. Students not wishing to attend scripture classes would once again be wasting time. I urge the Committee and the State Government to do the right thing and to continue these classes in their current format and, most importantly, not to bow to pressure from a minority party that just happens to be in a position of power. I am certain there are other ways for the present State Government to achieve it's aims and objectives without bowing to such pressure. It is interesting to note that a party that labels itself as 'Democratic' is clearly not that. That in itself raises a question of ethics.

Yours Faithfully,

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