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

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Privatisation of prisons in Australia will mean it will be considered in New Zealand. Don't do it. Locking people up can not be avoided there has to be law and order. The cost of privatisation will save money in the short term but it will cost millions to the tax payer's and the Government in the long term. Protection of the prison guards and staff will be down graded. The private owners will want to make a profit therefore the quality of the food, education and health care will not be a priority. People lookig after the prisoners need on going education, good supervision and suport from the goverment. If privatisation goes ahead it will be the prisoners themselves that will end up running the prisions with violence. It is widely known that criminals learn their behaviours through low self esteem and poor education and mixing with each other. Most prisoners have had difficult lives,are addicted to drugs. have experienced mental health illness and some just being at the wrong place at the wrong time. Incresed self esteem and education and good health care are the way forward.

I have never submitted to anything before but relealise through personal tragedgy and truma to our family that privatisation of prisons are not the answer. Thankyou