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

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I find it rather hard to swallow that with the economic crisis that we seem to be leading into, DCS is willing to uproot employees from Cessnock and Parklea and transfer them to other gaols. This would certainly have a massive impact on family and social life and with Cessnock in particular have and impact on the towns Economy. The Dept are very clear that no Officer will lose their jobs, but they cannot clearly state where transferred officers will be posted and they continue to change to the position of the goal posts.

I also find it very hard to believe that Private Enterprise would be interested in two older gaols with large maintenance running costs.

In my case, moving to another gaol would almost certainly mean me missing out on my children's sporting activities after school and have a massive impact on my family income with extra travel cost and possibly childcare after school.

After all I chose to work for DCS and accepted their terms of Employment, now they seem to be able to go against those terms.