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The proposed privatisation of the two nominated prisons in NSW is a worry to both the general community and to the people whose jobs will be affected by the change. As a current serving NSW Prison Officer not working in either of the two nominated prisons, I am appalled by the ridiculous and callous manner in which this decision was made.

What happened to the Premier's direction that all government departments cut ten percent of their high paid, top level people from their departments? It never happened in the Department of Corrective Services. This alone would surely save hundreds of thousands, perhaps millions of dollars a year, as the department has become bloated and top heavy with executives who have been shelved but who still collect huge amounts. No doubt the savings there would certainly go a long way to the costs of continuing to run the two nominated prisons.

Privatisation is not needed and is in fact a further waste of money and resources.