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

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I wish to object to the privatisation of Cessnock & Parklea. There is a notable difference in the government statements saying how these centres are not cost effective and the rebuttle statements from the unions. This government has a dreadful history of wilfully misleading the public on matters such as this and before their word can be accepted there must be an independent review of the facts.

I know of NO instances where organisations have been privatised that have been of financial benefit to the members of the public in NSW. Commonsense dictates that any concern bidding for the rights to run these facilities will want to make a profit which will have to entail drastic cuts to an already under-resourced area.

Why have these 2 goals been singled out - safe Labor seats perhaps and the government not concerned on voter backlash?

Why are the interested parties wanting such lenient allowances on the number of deaths in custody and escapees? There should be no acceptable allowances.

Why are we even looking at an oversea interest in running our goals?

Why haven't these issues been addressed openly and publicly.

Keep our goals Australian 'owned' and our own trained and qualified personnel in employment.

This is another dash for cash for the most incompetent state government ever.