

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

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I have worked for Government all my life (I have been retired for 2 years) and my experience is that the the one thing privatisation does not do is save money in the long term. Inevitably all control of function and costs is lost and, more importantly, transparency and Ministerial responsibility is lost or seriously degraded. Nobody, in fact, will end up being responsible for any outcome in regard to the incarceration, re-training and general treatment of wrong-doers caught up in the NSW Justice system. This IS NOT justice, and the people and tax payers of NSW deserve better.

We need an effective and efficient incarceration system that is the direct responsibility of Government. Government cannot contract out this aspect of the justice system - it is just as important to the overall performance of justice as are the police and courts. If the current executive managers cannot make Corrective Services work then they should be sacked and replaced, as would be the case in any other business.