

**Submission
No 90**

INQUIRY INTO CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA AMENDMENT REGULATION 2018

Name: Mr Jeff Dunn
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Submission Cemetery and Crematoria Amendment Regulation 2018

Dear Sir/Madam,

I object to the Cemetery and Crematoria Amendment Regulation 2018.

This is a blatant land grab against the poor.

I buried my Mother, three years ago and I don't want her evicted from her grave in 22 years.

For Centuries, in the English/Christian belief, the dead are buried with ceremony in a dignified manner in graves inside accepted cemeteries.

My Mother is buried near her Mother and her favourite Aunt & Uncle.

That was her wishes, to be buried, so we, her Four Children could come and pay our respects to her at significant times.

I went through the angst of seeing my Mother slip into dementia over 5years and then fall and break her back, slipping into unconsciousness and then rapidly, after a week - death.

I am a Disabled Pensioner and my Siblings are not very financial.

Mum refused to have a will. She refused to arrange her funeral.

I had a vexing 6mths after, as I couldn't access her bank account to pay for her Funeral – I had to prove to the Supreme Court of NSW that I was her legitimate heir as my siblings didn't want it. That Court is very dysfunctional and compounded my pain.

I will be 76yrs in 25 years time and will be on the Aged Pension. I won't need this crap.

Imagine a very old Aged Pensioner, safe in a Nursing Home, getting a letter informing them that their deceased loved one(s) is being evicted from their grave, unless, another payment is made – and then later, another?

In other words, paying a ransom.

That'll kill them and this will be happening all over the state for many, many pensioners.

NO one should be harassed in the future over their loved one's grave.

Leave our dead to lie in peace.

Don't pass this law.

Sincerely,

Jeff Dunn