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**INQUIRY INTO BUDGET PROCESS FOR INDEPENDENT
OVERSIGHT BODIES AND THE PARLIAMENT OF NEW
SOUTH WALES**

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We live in a country where what is totally acceptable in other pure provinces and countries, taking CBD and THC edibles or other products, either to deal with pain or a number of other ailments marijuana can cure (mental health and physical), will land you in jail and is being even more harshly prosecuted than ever before. In an attempt to wage the war on drugs it has become a regular occurrence to harass and strip search the vulnerable. I do not go out anymore, I cannot re-live my sexual harassment, yet the police do not mind sexually harassing the vulnerable. A 16 year old girl was made to strip search while she cried uncontrollably. Why? Because rather than accepting science and introducing pill testing while decriminalising drugs, the government has introduced sniffer dogs and extremely harsh penalties for personal drug users, disguised as targeting the traffic of drugs. All this leads to is anti social behaviour, injuries from shelving, and death from people taking all their drugs at once. It is ridiculous I cannot go into a store and buy the gummies to enjoy at a live show, but it is perfectly legal to get shit faced on alcohol

When police do respond, they dragged a disabled man out of his house, beat him and water boarded him while filming and saying "you like that?" Over and over. It's not good enough. You have cops trampling protesters in the street and legislators making anti protest laws rather than taking action. It's not good enough! I'm scared to go out because of the police, they bully and harass. Stop waging your war on nightlife and fun! And the war on anyone standing for social justice too...