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**INQUIRY INTO ANTI-DISCRIMINATION AMENDMENT  
(COMPLAINT HANDLING) BILL 2020**

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All too often we have seen people dragged before the ADB for simply expressing in public a genuine and thoughtful opinion on a 'difficult' subject - where the subject of that opinion could be doubts about an ideology (e.g. Ms Sonia Kruger and subsequent complaint lodged by Mr Ekermawi); or the grounds for that opinion being a deeply-held religious belief (e.g. Mr Bernard Gaynor and the long list of complaints lodged by Mr Garry Burns).

In such cases it is blindingly obvious that the complainants are exploiting the ADB process in order to 'punish' those who have different or 'unacceptable' views. It is to the eternal shame of the ADB in general and NSW Attorney General in particular that they (ADB and NSW AG) have actively encouraged and supported complainants in this grotesque procedure - of using the process as a punishment.

There is presently every incentive (i.e. no cost or consequence) for those who are enemies of free speech, and those with an axe to grind, to engage the ADB, in order use multiple and vexatious complaints, to squash their perceived foes.

I support Mark Latham's proposed law to force the NSW Anti-Discrimination Board to:

- reject vexatious and frivolous complaints; and
- reject complaints against people with brain damage.

If such changes are not made, the ADB will continue to be viewed by the general community as a clown show and also to be viewed with suspicion and contempt - as in its current form the ADB processes have proved that they deserve little if any respect.