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

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I have watched with dismay as activists in NSW have used anti-discrimination laws to put in complaints to the Anti-Discrimination Board against people who have simply expressed their beliefs. It is even more alarming that people outside NSW have been targeted by activists in NSW & that the anti-Discrimination Board has considered that it has the power to prosecute people outside NSW & has successfully harassed those people outside NSW who have been accused of violating the NSW anti-discrimination laws. It seems that the Anti-Discrimination Board consider that they are above the law of the land & are controlled by people within the Board who are biased towards those who have made complaints & biased against any conservative or Christian against whom complaints have been made. People like Bernard Gaynor have suffered immensely because of this abuse of power & the bias towards activists who have brought complaints against them. Recently an activist made a complaint against Israel Folau based on the activist's reported motive for monetary gain. This activist is reported to have failed in his bid but the same malicious motives as reported in various media articles were evident in this activist's many complaints against Bernard Gaynor & others outside of NSW. According to reports his stated intention was to bankrupt these people & his malice towards them was evident. The fact that the High Court gave sentence in favour of Bernard Gaynor when he challenged the lawfulness of the ADB in NSW to exercise its power outside of NSW indicates the unlawfulness of the actions of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Board. We then read reports that, regardless of the High Court ruling, the NSW ADB continued to abuse its power & sought to continue to prosecute people outside of NSW. This corruption & abuse of power has to cease. As one who lives outside NSW, it is alarming to think that an activist in NSW can use NSW laws to try to prosecute me for something that they may disagree with if I express my beliefs outside of NSW, especially since the High Court ruled that they do not have lawful power to do so. It is alarming to consider that the NSW ADB is able to prosecute on behalf of activists who are serial complainants. Those activists who are serial complainants & who are nuisance complainants should be stopped by the NSW ADB but ADB seems to be complicit in this activist activity instead of being impartial & actually looking to see if any real discrimination has taken place. As a result of the reported abuse of power by the NSW Anti-Discrimination Board & the abuse of the system by serial activists who continue to put complaint after complaint into the ADB without being stopped by the ADB I would strongly support the Bill to end vexatious complaints being presented by Mark Latham & urge the Parliament to pass this Bill.