

**Submission
No 189**

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

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To The Committee members :

I support the above Bill and an inquiry into the NSW Anti-Discrimination Board's abuse of its powers by pursuing victims outside NSW as evidenced by the case of Bernard Gaynor. Despite the numerous vexatious complaints by gay serial litigant Garry Burns against him over many years and his blatant public declarations that he was determined to bankrupt Gaynor, the ADB persistently refused to reject those vexatious claims. See Mark Latham's address to Parliament on 8/8/2019.

If wielding power outside its jurisdiction is upheld, can any person in any state be safe from a person with a grudge destroying one's life through vengeful litigation and its legal financial burden?

Since the proposal of the above Bill, the ADB has belatedly rejected Burns' latest complaints, labelling them vexatious - this despite advising Gaynor in writing that it had no power to investigate whether a complaint was vexatious. This gives rise to suspicions that it now fears scrutiny of what could be deemed its past ideological/political activism or at best persistent incompetence. The bureaucracy of the ADB should be held responsible for its use of huge amounts of Taxpayers' money defending frivolous claims, its damaging decisions, and restitution made to Bernard Gaynor and any other similar victims.

I ask that the above Bill be enacted urgently.

Mrs. Fiorina McGillivray