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**INQUIRY INTO PETROLEUM (ONSHORE) AMENDMENT  
(CANCELLATION OF ZOMBIE PETROLEUM  
EXPLORATION LICENCES) BILL 2021**

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I support the bill introduced by Justin Field MLC to stop any renewal of expired gas exploration licences and to cancel any licences that are unused. Because a licence was issued once does not mean it must be allowed to continue, and if someone hasn't even used a licence, then it's a good time to cancel it.

Gas extraction has been problematic since its inception because of the damage being done to the water supply and the atmosphere from chemicals and methane.

We used to live and farm on the NW Slopes, and it is heartbreaking to think that NSW may one day no longer be fit for farming. I do hope that this bill will be supported and passed.