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**INQUIRY INTO IMPACT OF THE REGULATORY
FRAMEWORK FOR CANNABIS IN NEW SOUTH WALES**

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For too long cannabis use has been criminalised filling our courts and gaols with users. So many people use cannabis now this is a waste of police time and stigmatisers users. Drug addiction is a health issue and as such it should be decriminalised so when addicts want to quit there are services to help them. You cannot stop people using cannabis no amount of effort to this day has been effective. Young people need to be educated to the harms just as we do with alcohol and tobacco. Regulating the industry would be a good thing as has happened in California. Thank you