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

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The War on Drugs has been a failure. The amount of money that has been spent enforcing this bad law could have been spent on better things. Cannabis is not the gateway drug that the government and the police force use to demonise it. It has been used for many purposes throughout the world. Australia followed America in the pursuit of enforcement and these laws have had a serious impact on the people caught up in the police enforcement net. I live in an area where the police have used a lot of resources to try and stop people using this plant. It has been a failure. Mardi Grass in Nimbin is held every year in May and the numbers of police monitoring the crowds is not necessary as it is a peaceful event. It is another waste of money by the police.