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

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Esteemed Members of Parliament,

Legalising cannabis in Australia offers significant economic, medical, and social benefits. It can generate substantial tax revenue, create jobs, and undermine the illegal market, ensuring product safety. Medically, cannabis provides effective alternatives for pain management and treatment for conditions like epilepsy and PTSD, while enhancing research opportunities. Socially, legalisation can reduce the burden on the criminal justice system and improve public health outcomes. These combined benefits make a strong case for the legalisation of cannabis.

Looking across the world, we seem so far behind on this issue.