DRAFT CONSTITUTION (DISCLOSURES BY MEMBERS) REGULATION 2024

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Dear Alex,

Submission re Draft Constitution (Disclosures by Members) Regulation 2024

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission to the Standing Committee's Parliamentary Privilege and Ethics' inquiry into the Draft Constitution (Disclosures by Members) Regulation 2024.

I welcome the enhanced disclosure and intent of the draft constitution, however I wish to raise my concern with regards to the potential publication of investment property addresses on public registers.

Part 4, Item 25 (2) of the draft constitution states:

A Clerk may exclude information from the copy of a register made publicly available under this section if the Clerk is satisfied it is necessary to protect—

(a) the privacy of persons other than Members of either House of Parliament, or

(b) the safety of a person

Presently, the full address of all investment properties of which the member has an interest are disclosed in the member's Interest Disclosure Return Form. This is not changing.

However, I do believe we need certainty that clerks will redact the street name and number of such investment properties prior to searchable copies of the public registers being published on the NSW Parliament's website. Publication of the investment property's suburb is sufficient disclosure on these public registers.

Tenants do not need to be harassed by the media or members of the public because their landlord is a politician.

Thank you again for the opportunity to make a submission.

Kind regards,



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