

To: [Committee, EC \(SEN\)](#)

Subject: The Environment Protection & Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Standing) Bill 2015 - Oppose

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To The Senate Standing Committee on Environment & Communication.

I strongly object to the amendments proposed by The Environment Protection & Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Standing) Bill 2015 on the following grounds:

- In my opinion this Bill
 - seeks to undermine the democratic and legal right of Australian citizens to object to inappropriate developments
 - is a threat to freedom of speech and takes away the right to challenge in court any development that threatens the unique flora and fauna of Australia.
 - this country fought two world wars and is still fighting to this day for the rights of free men and women to stand together against people and organisations who threaten our freedom of speech and democratic way of life

Thank you for your attention and I hope this Bill is rejected outright.

Kind regards

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