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Senator Guy Barnett Chair, Employment Workplace Relations and Education Legislation Committee Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

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Dear Senator Barnett

Attached please find a submission on behalf of the NSW Government to your Committee's Inquiry into the provisions of the *Workplace Relations Amendment (Small Business Employment Protection) Bill* 2004.

As you will see, the submission argues that the bill should be rejected.

Should you require any further information or clarification of issues raised in the submission, please contact Mr George Petrovic at the Office of Industrial Relations in the Department of Commerce on (02) 9020 4622 or by e-mail at George.Petrovic@oir.commerce.nsw.gov.au

I trust that this submission will receive due consideration by the Committee. I look forward to reading your Committee's report.

Yours sincerely

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