



SUBMISSION

RE: PLEBISCITE FOR AN AUSTRALIAN REPUBLIC BILL 2008.

TO THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
THE SENATE
PARLIAMENT HOUSE
CANBERRA 2600
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20TH JAN 2009.

FROM

Dear Committee members

I wish to state in the strongest terms that I do NOT want a Plebiscite held, asking if Australia should become a republic. In NO manner should such a Plebiscite be conducted. The proper way to ask the people of Australia if they wish to change to a republic system is by Referendum! The people need to be well informed of all the facts about our proven Constitutional monarchy system and the different styles of republics, which style?

The COST of a non-binding Plebiscite is NOT justified - especially at this time of financial crisis, a referendum, being costly, would not be justified either. Our present inherited Christian based Constitutional Monarchy system serves us well. I think senator Bob Brown's wish on this Bill is ridiculous.

The people of Australia have convincingly voted "NO" to a republic - on 6th Nov 1999. This verdict STANDS. IF a Plebiscite succeeded for a republic, it would provide politicians with an open go - no checks or balances - to "run down" the Crown and all it stands for to protect us. The Australian Crown, by being there, blocks the way of dictators or tyrants; it is not the power the Crown has, but the power it denies to others which provides us with protection and STABILITY.

It is my will that you do NOT run a COSTLY Plebiscite to ask if Australia should become a republic. NO.
May God Save His Queen ELIZABETH II of AUSTRALIA.

Yours faithfully
Wendy M. C. Browning