

Human rights and the proposed anti-terrorism legislationFrom:

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To: Legal and Constitutional, Committee (SEN)

Subject: Human rights and the proposed anti-terrorism legislation

I am writing to voice my protest at the proposed anti-terrorism legislation. The government has not explained why this new legislation is necessary, nor how it will be effective in fighting terrorism. The bill offends against the most fundamental civil rights and international covenants signed by Australia. The abuses of human rights by the Government's Immigration Department have made us all too aware of the potential for abuse by enforcers of this proposed legislation. Yours sincerely, Beth Hatton