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Rev Nile Applauds the NSW Council of Church for Gambling Initiative

On Wednesday 28 November Rev Fred Nile moved a motion to the NSW Legislative Council for a Gambling Inquiry. This inquiry was in collaboration effort with Ross Clifford Chairman of the NSW Council of Churches.

The inquiry, to be chaired by the Reverend Fred Nile, will focus on the design and regulation of electronic gaming machines, access to cash and credit in and around gaming venues, the regulation of telephone and internet gambling services and gambling advertising, and the adequacy and effectiveness of problem gambling help services, public health measures to reduce risk of gambling harm, and strategies and models for consumer protection.

"I call on all organisation and churches etc. to prepare submissions for this important Inquiry in February next year" said Rev Fred Nile MLC

The President of the NSW Council of Churches, the Reverend Dr Ross Clifford, said he was delighted to hear that the NSW Legislative Council had appointed a Select Committee to inquire into these matters.

"All NSW political parties supported the motion for the inquiry and so the Upper House unanimously passed the motion. This is a significant development in addressing a range of perceived problems associated with gambling," Dr Clifford said.

This inquiry is a win for NSW families!

Please find as follows the terms of reference for this inquiry.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON GAMBLING

Motion by Reverend the Hon. FRED NILE agreed to:

(1) That a select committee be appointed to inquire into and

report on the impact of gambling on individuals and families in New South Wales, and in particular:

- (a) the design and accessibility of electronic gaming machines and new and emerging gambling products and services;
- (b) the regulation of the number and location of electronic and high-intensity gaming machines;
- (c) voluntary pre-commitment technology and operational guidelines;
- (d) access to cash and credit in and around gambling venues, and the form and delivery of cash prizes;
- (e) the role and capacity of gambling industry staff to address problems caused by gambling;
- (f) the regulation of telephone and internet gambling services in other jurisdictions in Australia and overseas;
- (g) the regulation of gambling advertising;
- (h) exemptions and exceptions to State and Federal laws and policies relating to gambling;
- (i) gambling education including school-based programs, and measures to reduce the exposure of children and young people to gambling activity;
- (j) the adequacy and effectiveness of problem gambling help services and programs, including service standards, qualifications and funding of chaplaincy, counselling and treatment services;
- (k) the effectiveness of public health measures to reduce risk of gambling harm, including prevention and early intervention strategies;

- (l) the effectiveness of strategies and models for consumer protection and responses to problem gambling in other jurisdictions in Australia and overseas; and
- (m) any other relevant matters.

(2) That notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the standing orders, the committee consist of seven members comprising:

- (a) three Government members;
- (b) two Opposition members; and
- (c) two crossbench members, being Revd Nile and Dr Kaye.

(3) That the Chair of the Committee be Revd Nile.

(4) That notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the standing orders at any meeting of the committee, any three members of the committee will constitute a quorum.

(5) That a Committee member who is unable to attend a deliberative meeting in person may participate by electronic communication and may move any motion and be counted for the purpose of any quorum or division, provided that:

- (a) the Chair is present in the meeting room;
- (b) all members are able to speak and hear each other at all times; and
- (c) members may not participate by electronic communication in a meeting to consider a draft report.

Rev Fred Nile Condemns Modern Sex Slavery

In his speech to the NSW Parliament on Wednesday 27 November 2013, Rev Nile states

HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Reverend the Hon. FRED NILE [7.01 p.m.]: I speak tonight on the subject of modern sex slavery, also known as human trafficking. In 2011 the United States Department of Health and Human Services stated:

After drug trafficking, trafficking in humans ties with the illegal arms industry as the second largest criminal industry in the world today. It is the fastest growing.

In its 2011 report on trafficking in persons the United States State Department said:

As many as two million children are subjected to prostitution in the global commercial sex trade.

It seems strange to be saying that there is still slavery today after the work of Abraham Lincoln and Wilberforce, who legislated more than 100 years ago to get rid of such cruelty. Sadly, there are more than 27 million enslaved people across the world today. Human trafficking is still the battlefield

of this century. Regardless of nationality, victims are systematically stripped of their identity, battered into gruesome submission and made to perform humiliating sexual acts with up to 40 strangers per night. Held against their will, most are forced to take illegal drugs and are kept under constant surveillance. On average, victims are thrown into such ghastly oppression at age 13. Some are abducted outright, others are lured out of poverty, romantically seduced or sold by their families. The United States Department of Health and Human Services describes sex slavery as follows:

Sex trafficking involves the acts of recruiting, harbouring, transporting or obtaining a person for commercial sex acts through the use of force, fraud or coercion.

It is a crime against humanity. Every year thousands of women and children fall into the hands of traffickers in their own countries and abroad. Every country in the world is implicated by this injustice, whether the country of origin, transit or destination. We should not be complacent about our

situation in Australia, thinking it is an American or Asian problem. It is a fact that in New South Wales there are an estimated 10,000 prostitutes and 113 illegal brothels operating in North Sydney, with 3,500 prostitutes working within 20 kilometres of the Sydney central business district in brothels, as street prostitutes and as private prostitutes. Based on their country of birth, 27 per cent of prostitutes in New South Wales are Australian, 21 per cent are Chinese, 17.4 per cent are from Thailand and 15 per cent are from other Asian countries.

How many of these young women have been coerced, tricked or threatened into prostitution in Sydney? This is the result of the shameful legalisation of prostitution and brothels, and living off the earnings of prostitution. Those laws need to be reviewed and repealed.

Slavery is alive and well in our contemporary society. The United States State Department reports that there are 27 million slaves in the world, which is more than at any time previously. It also reports that sexual exploitation represents 79 per

cent of identified forms of human trafficking, including prostitution, forced stripping, massage services and pornography, and 88 per cent of the victims are women and children. As I said, after drug trafficking, human trafficking is tied with the illegal arms industry as the second-largest criminal industry in the world today. Most sex trafficking is regional or national and is perpetrated by traffickers of the same nationality as their victims. As many as two million children are subjected to prostitution in the global commercial sex trade. At least 15,000 people are trafficked in the United States annually and approximately 600,000 to 800,000 are trafficked across international borders around the world.

I encourage members to view a hard-hitting documentary entitled *Nefarious: Merchant of Souls*, which reveals the nightmare of sexual slavery. I have copies of the 96-minute documentary that are available for members to borrow. We must remember the words of William Wilberforce, who did so much to combat slavery. He said:

You may choose to look the other way, but

REV FRED NILE SUPPORTS STRONGER GOVERNMENT POWERS TO CANCEL MINING LICENCES OBTAINED BY CORRUPTION

In his speech to the NSW Parliament on Thursday 21 November 2013, Rev Nile states

MINING AND PETROLEUM LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (PUBLIC INTEREST) BILL 2013

Reverend the Hon. FRED NILE [3.47 p.m.]: On behalf of the Christian Democratic Party I am pleased to support the Mining and Petroleum Legislation Amendment (Public Interest) Bill 2013, the object of which is to make public interest a ground, in addition to other grounds, for making any of the following decisions relating to mining or petroleum

rights or titles. As members know, this bill is a result of the ongoing Independent Commission Against Corruption inquiries, which have provided a lot of evidence indicating corruption in the allocation of certain licences. There needs to be some way to cancel those licences. Indeed, there has been a public outcry demanding that the licences be cancelled. Obviously this legislation will give the Government a clearer legal ability to do so.

The bill includes such matters as a decision to refuse to grant, renew or transfer a mining or petroleum right

or title; a decision to refuse a tender for a mining right or title; a decision to cancel a mining or petroleum right or title, or to suspend operations under a mining or petroleum right or title, in whole or in part; and, finally, a decision to restrict operations under a mining or petroleum right or title by the imposition or variation of conditions of the right or title. We hope the legislation will assist the Government, in due course, to cancel any licences that have been secured through corrupt activities.



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Rev Fred Nile Successfully Moved Amendments to Crown Resort Bill to

In his speech to the NSW Parliament on Wednesday 20 November 2013, on the Barangaroo Restricted Gaming Facility Bill, Rev Nile stated:

BARANGAROO RESTRICTED GAMING FACILITY BILL 2013

Reverend the Hon. FRED NILE [10.55 a.m.]: I move Christian Democratic Party amendment No. 1 [C2013-187A]:

No. 1 Page 7, schedule 1 [21], lines 1-3. Omit all words on those lines. Insert instead:

(2) Poker machines not lawful

The installation or use of poker machines is not lawful in the Barangaroo restricted gaming facility unless expressly authorised by an Act of Parliament.

I know that the bill states that there will be no poker machines, but the Christian Democratic Party wants to reinforce the prohibition on poker machines and to ensure that there can be no change unless it is authorised by an Act of Parliament—that is, after a vote by the Legislative Assembly and by the Legislative Council. Therefore, it would be impossible for anyone, especially the owners of

the Crown Sydney Resort Hotel, to argue that it is short of money and needs to reverse that legislation and install poker machines. It will also prohibit any administrative attempt to amend the legislation to provide for the installation of poker machines. The amendment will block any move to change the provision in the bill forbidding poker machines.

The Hon. DUNCAN GAY (Minister for Roads and Ports) [10.57 a.m.]: The Government will not oppose the amendment. It is consistent with the object of the bill and maintains the restrictions set out in it. It is worth noting that the provision in large part mirrors what is already in the bill, but it certainly reinforces it. I understand the importance of ensuring that poker machines are banned from the Barangaroo restricted gaming facility and I congratulate Reverend the Hon. Fred Nile and the Hon. Paul Green on their strong advocacy on this matter. It is an issue on which the Premier and the Government have been at one with the Christian Democratic Party from the outset.

Reverend the Hon. FRED NILE [12.04 p.m.]: The

smoking issue in the bill has been one of the major concerns for the Christian Democratic Party. Given that, I went down to Melbourne with the Hon. Paul Green to physically inspect the system implemented to protect the staff who work on the tables from secondary smoke complications. The system which was invented for and which operates in the Crown Melbourne and will also operate in Sydney. It is probably not operating anywhere else. The ventilation system is installed in the gaming table itself. There is an attractive metal segment at the edge of the gaming table through which air passes, thereby creating a curtain of air between the players and the staff. There is no contact between the player and staff. I questioned many of the staff working on the tables whether there were any impacts on them from the patrons smoking and they said, "None at all." To resolve Dr Kaye's second concern, Mr Packer wants the casino to be smoke free. Crown Melbourne is entirely smoke free except for the gaming tables and the same system will be in place in Sydney. A smoke-free environment is what patrons want. That is what must be provided and it will be provided. The venue will be smoke free except for the gaming tables themselves.

Zoe's Bill Passes Legislative Assembly

The Rev Fred Nile, leader of the Christian Democratic Party, has congratulated the 63 Members of the NSW Legislative Assembly who voted for the Zoe's Law Bill that I first introduced into the NSW Legislative Council. Only 26 Members voted against this Bill which honours the unborn baby Zoe.

Zoe, was tragically killed by a drunk driver in 2009.

"The Zoe's Bill now will be debated in the NSW Legislative Council hopefully before the Christmas recess" said Rev Nile.

"I first drafted my original Bill a long time ago, in 1988, following my conversation with Caroline Fraser in 1984

concerning her unborn baby. I asked Caroline what happened to her baby. She replied "Just before she was born a bus smashed into the back of my car and forced me onto the steering wheel which killed my baby. Her name was Margaret.

"I pray Zoe's Bill will be passed to protect the unborn babies of NSW from violent deaths as a result of a violent attack or car accident.

"Zoe's Bill has no relationship to abortion as medical procedures such as abortion are exempt from this Bill" advised Rev Nile.

"The current law provides NO protection for unborn babies" said Rev Fred Nile MLC

Crown Resort Passes NSW Parliament

The Rev Fred Nile, leader of the Christian Democratic Party, has reported the passing of the Crown Resort Barangaroo Project Bill through the NSW Parliament, both the Legislative Assembly and the Legislative Council with the support of the Shooters and Fishers, Liberals, Nationals and ALP Members.

"In spite of the many positive aspects of this Crown Resort project, such as no poker machines, jobs, Mission Australia Christian Counselling etc, our Christian Democratic Party Members, Hon Paul Green MLC and Rev Hon Fred Nile MLC, voted against the Bill because of the CDP's opposition to gambling, which damages so many lives and families" said Rev Nile. "I attach the Parliamentary Hansard record of the voting numbers which lists the Members' names".

Ayes, 27

Mr Ajaka LIB	Mr Gay LIB	Mr Secord ALP
Mr Borsak SHOOTERS	Mr Khan NAT	Ms Sharpe ALP
Mr Brown SHOOTERS	Mr Lynn LIB	Mr Veitch ALP
Mr Clarke LIB	Mr MacDonald LIB	Mr Whan ALP
Mr Colless NAT	Mrs Maclaren-Jones LIB	Mr Wong ALP
Ms Cotsis ALP	Mr Mason-Cox LIB	
Ms Cusack LIB	Mr Moselmane ALP	
Mr Donnelly ALP	Mrs Pavey NAT	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr Foley ALP	Mr Primrose ALP	Dr Phelps LIB
Miss Gardiner NAT	Mr Searle ALP	Ms Voltz ALP

Noes, 7

	Ms Barham GREEN	
	Mr Buckingham GREEN	
	Dr Faruqi GREEN	
	Mr Green CDP	
	Mr Shoebridge GREEN	
	<i>Tellers,</i>	
	Dr Kaye GREEN	
	Reverend Nile CDP	

REV FRED NILE EXPRESSES CONCERN OVER FUTURE CARE OF SUMMER HILL GROUP HOME

In his question to the NSW Parliament on Thursday 21 November 2013, Mr Nile asked the following:

SUMMER HILL GROUP HOME

Reverend the Hon. FRED NILE: I ask the Minister for Disability Services a question without notice. Is the Minister aware that the Summer Hill group home is an excellent facility where young people with severe disabilities and extensive medical problems receive exceptional care? Is the Minister also aware that suggested privatisation is of grave concern to the family of the Summer Hill group home? Can the Minister guarantee that with a new, non-government service provider the same level of staffing and the same skill mix will be maintained? How will the Minister guarantee that the same level of care is maintained?

The Hon. JOHN AJAKA: I do not accept the concept of privatisation in relation to disability services. It is not privatisation. As I have said on many occasions, all sides in this Chamber and this Parliament have much to be proud of in relation to all work undertaken by all sides of Parliament in regard to disability in this State. We have debated repeatedly

the National Disability Insurance Scheme enabling bill, which has been passed by both Houses. I have indicated on previous occasions that the non-government sector currently provides in excess of 60 per cent of all disability services. That sector runs a very large number of group homes, and it does an exceptional job—as do the Ageing, Disability and Home Care staff. No-one can fault either sector, government or non-government. The heads of agreement signed between the Commonwealth and the State made very clear in clause 33 that the State Government would cease being involved in disability service provision and that that work would be undertaken by the non-government sector, with direct funding coming from the Commonwealth Government. The total funding coming from the Commonwealth Government, almost 50 per cent of which is paid by the State—

The Hon. Steve Whan: Point of order: My point of order relates to relevance. Reverend the Hon. Fred Nile asked a very specific question about a facility in Summer Hill and concerns raised by people within it. While general comments are acceptable at the start of an answer,

the Minister has not got anywhere near answering that specific question. I ask that the Minister's attention be drawn to the question.

The Hon. John Ajaka: To the point of order: The question asked by Reverend the Hon. Fred Nile included reference to provisions to ensure that non-government organisations are capable of undertaking the work allotted to them. I am specifically answering that.

The PRESIDENT: Order! I have the gist of the Minister's response. It is very clear that he is being generally relevant.

The Hon. JOHN AJAKA: As I indicated earlier, what gives great comfort to those who are seeking assistance, those clients with disability, is the fact that the funding model changes from \$2.7 billion

to a total of \$6.4 billion.

The Hon. Penny Sharpe: That has nothing to do with Summer Hill.

The Hon. JOHN AJAKA: I note the interjection. How one could possibly imagine that more than doubling the funding for people with disability has nothing to do with the provision of services available to them is beyond me. Under the National Disability Insurance Scheme, which is supported by all sides of politics and at the State and Federal level, the funding approach clearly focuses on the individual. Each client, each person with disability with their own funding will have the right to determine for the first time where they seek services and how they seek them. That will apply to all group homes. [Time expired.]



Rev Fred Nile Supports Strong Christian Counselling Provi-

In his speech to the NSW Parliament on Tuesday 19 November 2013, on the Barangaroo Restricted Gaming Facility Bill, Rev Nile stated:

BARANGAROO RESTRICTED GAMING FACILITY BILL 2013

Reverend the Hon. FRED NILE [10.47 p.m.]: The Crown Control Amendment (Barangaroo Restricted Gaming Facility) Bill 2013 provides for the licensing and regulation of the Barangaroo restricted gaming facility to be located at Barangaroo South. What is this Crown resort? I have made some inquiries and am very impressed with the agreements signed with a number of Christian organisations to provide support through counselling and other provisions. One such organisation is the Salvation Army, which has signed a partnership agreement with Crown. The agreement commits Crown and its employees to work closely to improve the lives of homeless and disadvantaged Australians. The Salvation Army will be the first partnership of Crown Resorts Foundation, which has been set up to support a number of charitable organisations. As members know, the Salvation Army is one of Australia's most effective charitable organisations. The Salvation Army is excited by the new opportunities this agreement provides.

Major Brendan Knottle, the Salvation Army representative, said:

We are very grateful to our loyal sponsors and value our longstanding partnership with Crown with whom our Night Watch program would not exist. We believe that together we can make a significant difference in the lives of those who find themselves in vulnerable and potentially critical situations.

Mission Australia, which grew out of city missions established in New South Wales more than 100 years ago, has also agreed to become a project partner with Crown in building the Crown Sydney Hotel Resort. The memorandum of understanding signed by Crown and Mission Australia outlines their commitment to working together to provide responsible gaming support services at the proposed Crown Sydney Hotel Resort in line with its existing resorts in Melbourne and Perth.

The memorandum of understanding also seeks to establish a program for Crown employees to contribute, volunteer and assist their local community through participation in suitable Mission Australia programs. Unions in New South Wales have also been engaged in lengthy discussions with Crown Resorts. In particular, United Voice NSW has signed a memorandum of understanding with Crown Resorts because its members will be working at the Crown Sydney Hotel Resort. As a project partner Crown will consult and work with United Voice NSW to deliver the project and develop workforce planning and training. Crown Resorts has learnt how to operate luxury facilities such as Crown Sydney Hotel Resort and to deliver six-star service and a happy and harmonious workforce. Crown's positive relationship with its employees and unions over the years has been critical to its success and a crucial part of its corporate strategy.

As members well know, the New South Wales Government has entered into a binding agreement with Crown Resorts Limited to develop a VIP-restricted gaming facility at Barangaroo, following the completion of negotiations under stage 3 of the unsolicited proposals policy. The independent assessment committee found that the Crown project would result in an estimated 1,250 additional jobs after construction, increased international tourism and an increase in gross State product of \$442 million per annum by 2025. Pleasingly, the bill specifies that gaming at the facility may not commence before 15 November 2019, the playing of poker machines is not lawful at the facility, and only members and guests may participate in gaming at the card tables.

The bill also provides that smoking will be permitted at the Barangaroo restricted gaming facility provided that international best practice standard air quality equipment is installed, which is to be regularly inspected and maintained to ensure that the health of employees is not impacted. An air curtain will separate the patron playing at the card table from the employee in charge of the game. I wanted to understand, for instance, the effect of the gaming tables, the poker machines being banned and the smoking situation at Barangaroo so I inspected the Crown Resort Melbourne. In fact, my associate Paul and I travelled separately to Melbourne. We

met with Mr Packer and Crown Resorts management in order to be fully informed as to exactly what they had in mind. As other members have said, the original plan was for the Crown Sydney Hotel Resort to be built over the water. This would have made it a significant tourist attraction. However, the resort will be built on the available land at Barangaroo because of the community backlash. This will cause crowding of the facilities already there.

The Christian Democratic Party was also concerned that persons with a gambling addiction should get Christian counselling. That is why we are pleased that Crown Resorts has made this agreement with both the Salvation Army and Mission Australia. An essential part of this legislation is the ban on poker machines. There will be only card games, which I understand Asian gamblers prefer. We already have hundreds of casinos in New South Wales. The public should understand that the number of poker machines in the clubs and hotels in this State make them mini casinos—some clubs have as many as 1,500 poker machines. In order to be classified as a casino a resort must have poker machines. There will be no poker machines at the Crown Sydney Hotel Resort. As I have said, there will be gaming tables. That is why the Crown Sydney Hotel Resort is termed a restricted gaming facility. The Christian Democratic Party is pleased that the legislation has a total prohibition on poker machines. But that prohibition needs to be watertight so that there can be no suggestion of a change to the legislation in the future if Crown Resorts finds itself in financial trouble and needs to increase its income. The memorandum of understanding between Mission Australia and Crown Resorts is very detailed. I will briefly refer to it.

Mission Australia is a leading charity and community service organisation, having helped change the lives of individuals and families in need for almost 150 years. Crown Resorts Limited has proposed the development of a world-class, six-star hotel at Barangaroo south in Sydney. Crown intends to engage Mission Australia to provide responsible gaming support services for the Crown Sydney Hotel Resort and also to provide other support services for Crown at its existing resorts in Melbourne and Perth. Following the signing of the memorandum of understanding, Crown and Mission Australia will work together to agree on the detail of the responsible gaming support services to be provided at the Crown Sydney Hotel Resort. Some of those services will be delivered by Mission Australia and others will be delivered by Crown with guidance from Mission Australia. It is envisaged that, once agreed, the services will be the subject of a formal services agreement to commence operation at or prior to the commencement of operations of the proposed Crown Sydney Hotel Resort.

Paragraph 4 of the memorandum of understanding states:

Responsible gaming support services currently proposed to be provided at Crown Sydney Hotel Resort include the following:

- responsible gaming, training and education for Crown employees;
- provision of a 24/7, multi-lingual responsible gaming counselling service;
- conduct of a self-exclusion program;
- the creation of dedicated responsible gaming roles at the Crown Sydney Hotel Resort for staff trained and experienced in Crown's responsible gaming programs and services and having experience in VIP gaming facilities, who will ensure 24/7 coverage of the entirety of the VIP gaming facilities at the Crown Sydney Hotel Resort;
- access to a variety of responsible gaming and related information available in selected languages aligned to those of the customers of the Crown Sydney Hotel Resort;
- a Responsible Gambling Code of Conduct to which Crown and its staff at the Crown Sydney Hotel Resort would commit and adhere; and
- the conduct of an employee assistance program.

Paragraph 5 states:

Further, Crown and MA will also work together to agree other services which MA will provide to Crown for Crown's existing resorts in Melbourne and Perth. It is envisaged that, once agreed, those services will be the subject of a formal services agreement, to commence operation immediately.

Paragraph 6 states:

The other support services currently proposed to be provided at Crown's Melbourne and Perth resorts include the following ...

As they are not relevant I will not go through them in detail.

Paragraph 7 states:

All services will be provided at no cost to the end users.

Paragraph 8 states:

This MOU will continue for a period of two years or until the services agreements are finalised and signed, whichever is the earlier. However, either party may terminate this MOU immediately in the event that Crown notifies MA that the Crown Sydney Hotel Resort will not proceed.

That is a signed and sealed agreement between Mission Australia and Crown Resorts under the name of Crown Limited. Because of our concern about the impact of gambling in New South Wales we have spoken to the Premier, who has given an in-principle agreement to conducting an inquiry into the social impact of gambling and related matters. I am anxious that a committee be established, and we have drafted terms of reference for the inquiry as follows:

That the [committee] inquire into and report on the negative social impact of gambling on individuals and families in NSW, and in particular:

(1) The adequacy and effectiveness of public health measures to reduce risk across the spectrum of gambling harm, including:

The PRESIDENT: Order! Members will maintain the civility requested of them by various occupants of the chair throughout the evening. Reverend the Hon. Fred Nile will be heard in silence.

Reverend the Hon. FRED NILE: I repeat:

(1) The adequacy and effectiveness of public health measures to reduce risk across the spectrum of gambling harm, including:

- (a) design and accessibility of electronic gaming machines and other forms of gambling and the assessment of new and emerging gambling products and services;
- (b) regulation of the number and location of electronic gaming machines and the availability of high intensity machines;
- (c) pre-commitment technology, bet limits, prize limits, and age restrictions;
- (d) access to cash and credit in and around gambling venues, and the form and delivery of cash prizes;
- (e) training and actions of gambling industry staff to curb problems caused by gambling;
- (f) regulation of telephone and internet gambling services in Australia and overseas;
- (g) regulation of gambling advertising;
- (h) provision of warning measures and education including school-based programs, and measures to reduce the exposure of children and young people to gambling activity.

(2) The adequacy and effectiveness of problem gambling help services and programs, including service standards, qualifications of counsellors, and funding.

(3) The need for a better evidence base to respond to public health issues, including the effectiveness of prevention, early intervention strategies, chaplaincy services, counselling and treatment services, allocation of public funds to particular services, and as a basis for future policy direction.

(4) The social impact of exemptions and exceptions to state and federal laws and policies relating to gambling industries.

(5) The effectiveness of strategies and models for consumer protection and responses to problem gambling in other jurisdictions in Australia and overseas.

We invite the Government, the Opposition and The Greens to support the establishment of that inquiry. It is important that we have a thorough investigation. I know that a Government task force is looking into some of those issues but that is not adequate; an independent efficient and effective inquiry must be conducted by the upper House. They are some of the propositions that we want to put before the House and the Government, and we hope that all members will support the inquiry. We will continue to investigate the whole project before we formulate our final response.



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Citizens' Legislation Action

Rev Hon Fred Nile and the Hon Paul Green are seeking the Lord's guidance and your support in dealing with the challenges and opportunities facing NSW.

1. FIVE NEW CDP PROLIFE BILLS

In February 2013 the Christian Democratic Party Leader Rev Fred Nile launched a major prolife campaign to save the lives of unborn children in the womb, in addition to seeking the enforcement of the NSW Crime Act that prohibits abortions and seeking the abolition of Medicare funding for abortions.

The five CDP Prolife Bills are listed below:

1. That leave be given to bring in a bill for an Act to require women who are considering terminating a viable pregnancy to undergo counselling and to view an ultrasound of their unborn child. – Pregnancy Termination (Mandatory Counselling) Bill
2. That leave be given to bring in a bill for an Act to amend the Crimes Act 1900 to prohibit conduct that causes serious harm to or the destruction of a child in utero; and for other purposes. – Crimes Amendment (Zoe's Law) Bill
3. That leave be given to bring in a bill for an Act to require women seeking an abortion to be informed that the procedure may cause pain to the child in utero. – Pregnancy Termination (Information About Pain to Child in Utero) Bill
4. That leave be given to bring in a bill for an Act to require

the reporting of pregnancy termination and prohibit the termination of any pregnancy on grounds of sex or racial makeup of an embryo or foetus; and for other purpose. – Pregnancy Termination (Reporting and Reasons for Termination) Bill

5. That leave be given to bring in a bill for an Act to amend the Crimes Act 1900 to prohibit the destruction of any child in utero with a detectable heartbeat. - Crimes Amendment (Prenatal Termination) Bill

ACTION: Write to the Premier Barry O'Farrell with copy to your local state MP and upper house members urging support for these five CDP Prolife bills.

2. NSW SAME-SEX HOMOSEXUAL "MARRIAGE" BILLS

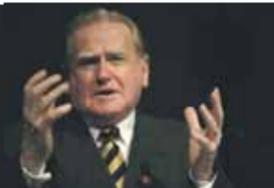
On Tuesday 20 November 2012, three Upper House Members, including Penny Sharp (ALP) and Trevor Khan (National Party), introduced Same Sex Homosexual 'Marriage' Private Members' Bills which have now been referred to the Social Issue Committee to investigate the legality of these Bills, and we thank God this Bill was defeated 21 to 19 votes. This Committee has reported that there is no legal reason why NSW cannot introduce its own Same-Sex Marriage Bill.

ACTION: Write to Premier Barry O'Farrell, asking him to make the vote on these Bills an official Coalition vote against these Same Sex 'marriage' Bills NOT a conscience vote.

The following is a list of CDP current bills

1. Alcoholic Beverages Advertising Prohibition Bill
2. Liquor Amendment (Drinking Age) Bill
3. Liquor Amendment (Health Warning for Pregnant Women) Bill
4. Gambling Advertising Prohibition Bill
5. Drug and Alcohol Treatment Amendment (Rehabilitation of Persons with Severe Substance Dependence) Bill
6. State Senate Bill
7. Sex Services Advertising Prohibition Bill
8. Family Impact Commission Bill
9. Summary Offences Amendment (Full-face Coverings Prohibition) Bill
10. Adoption Amendment (Same Sex Couples Repeal) Bill
11. Crimes Amendment (Soliciting Sex for Payment) Bill
12. Crimes Amendment (Incitement or Promotion of Terrorism and Violence) Bill
13. Child Protection (Nicole's Law) Bill
14. Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Enforcement Amendment (Banning Restricted X Rated Films) Bill
15. Pregnancy Termination (Mandatory Counselling) Bill
16. Crimes Amendment (Pre-natal Termination) Bill
17. Crimes Amendment (Zoe's Law) Bill
18. Drug Misuse and Trafficking Amendment (Injecting Centre Repeal) Bill
19. Constitution Amendment (Restoration of Oaths of Allegiance) Bill
20. St Shenouda Coptic Orthodox Monastery (NSW) Property Trust Bill

FRED NILE'S PARLIAMENTARY UPDATE



Media Releases:

- Rev Fred Nile commemorates the historical Light Horse Victory at Beesheba, Gaza, 31 October 1917
- Rev Fred Nile devastating attack on Same-Sex Homosexual "Marriage" Bill
- Rev Fred Nile supports the Cancer Council's Relay for Life on the second anniversary of the death of his late wife, Elaine Nile, to cancer
- Rev Fred Nile opposes harsh native vegetation legislation
- Rev Fred Nile calls for action to stop illegal tobacco importation
- Rev Fred Nile supports Police Promotions Bills
- Rev Fred Nile supports Police Promotions Bills
- Rev Fred Nile supports new NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal
- Rev Fred Nile supports improved funding for Non-Government Schools
- Rev Fred Nile supports improved Home Buyers Grants
- Rev Fred Nile urged Government to implement ICAC recommendations
- Rev Fred Nile supports Christian Coronation Service Victory For the God-given Institution of Marriage
- Rev Fred Nile strongly defends reparative therapy for homosexuals
- Rev Fred Nile urges replacement of manual mechanical beds in NSW Hospitals
- Rev Fred Nile opposes 457 visa for foreign prostitutes
- Rev Fred Nile calls for action to stop illegal tobacco importation
- Rev Fred Nile supports strong Christian counselling provisions at Barangaroo Crown Resort
- Crown Resort Passes NSW Parliament
- Zoe's Bill Passes Legislative Assembly
- Rev Fred Nile questions influence of alleged producer of child pornography in NSW education policies
- Rev Fred Nile successfully moved amendments to Crown Resort Bill to prohibit poker machines
- Rev Fred Nile urges retention of DNA review panel
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Questions Without Notice:

- Rev Fred Nile urges action to reduce increased HIV rate
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- Rev Fred Nile questions influence of alleged producer of child pornography in NSW education policies
- Rev Fred Nile expresses concern over future care at Summer Hill Group home
- Rev Fred Nile concerned about impact of alcohol in Redfern

Speeches:

- Rev Fred Nile supports successful workcover prosecutions
- Defeat of Same-Sex marriage in Tasmania - Now NSW Parliament debates Same-Sex homosexual "Marriage" Bill
- Rev Fred Nile commemorates the historical Light Horse Victory at Beesheba, Gaza, 31 October 1917
- Rev Fred Nile devastating attack on Same-Sex Homosexual "Marriage" Bill
- Rev Fred Nile supports the Cancer Council's Relay for Life on the second anniversary of the death of his late wife, Elaine Nile, to cancer
- Rev Fred Nile opposes harsh native vegetation legislation
- Rev Fred Nile supports Police Promotions Bills
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- Rev Fred Nile supports new NSW Civil and Administrative

Tribunal

- Rev Fred Nile supports improved funding for Non-Government Schools
- Rev Fred Nile strongly defends reparative therapy for homosexuals
- Rev Fred Nile supports improved Home Buyers Grants
- Rev Fred Nile supports strong Christian counselling provisions at Barangaroo Crown Resort
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2013 Committees:

- General Purpose Standing Committee No. 1 – Chairman Fred Nile
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 - Procedure Committee – Fred Nile
 - ICAC Committee - Fred Nile
 - Standing Committee on State Development – Paul Green
 - General Purpose Standing Committee No. 2 – Paul Green
 - General Purpose Standing Committee No. 3 – Paul Green
 - Committee on the Health Care Complaints Commission – Paul Green
 - Select Committee on the closure or downsizing of Corrective Services NSW facilities – Chairman Paul Green
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