

Dear Senator,

I would like to voice my concern over the Palm Oil issue at hand and plea for the Bill that mandates the labelling of palm oil be passed through parliament. Not knowing what is in our food ingredients prevents us being informed consumers from two perspectives. The first one is that palm oil is an unhealthy form of fat and probably contributes to a range of health issues to Australian citizens. Secondly, the palm oil crisis affecting habitat to the point where species such as the iconic orang utan are almost extinct is of great concern.

The community should be able to have the choice not to purchase products with palm oil so that they may help to conserve not just their bodies, but also countless species and forests abroad. This will push for a more sustainable production of the oil, making Australians one of the world leaders in sustainability. Other Governments worldwide have listened to their citizens and since passed the Bill to label the ingredient Palm Oil. Australia needs to be the next.

Please consider this submission along with the many hundreds of others.

Yours sincerely,

Laura