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I wish to register a strong NEGATIVE against the proposal to lock in for 10 years key aspects of the NT Intervention laws.

The original Intervention was imposed on the Indigenous peoples of the NT after an ill-thought-out process and has been continued against continual protest by too many persons in the community ever since, for it to be given further consideration.

The fact of its racial discrimination is not ameliorated when its regulations have been rolled out over all citizens on the bottom layers of our society; it is a further demonstration of the erosion of Australian freedoms.

We need laws which support people rather than impede their freedom to develop their abilities.

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