

## **Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Donation Reform and Other Measures) Bill 2020**

I am absolutely astonished that members of parliament would even contemplate such an inquiry. Why? Well, you may think me cynical but having worked for state and federal MPs and having friends on both sides (so to speak) of the political fence, I know what I am saying.

But to get to specifics and not to labour anything...

- Any donation of money or in kind of value \$1000 or over should be publicly disclosed within a month of being made. Both ALP and LNP at the least but likely even the so called minor parties, have done what they can to hide such donations in the past. Or must I list a few?
- Any meetings with officials/ members... of foreign governments should be made public within 24 hours
- Any donations by political machines of foreign nations should be made public within 24 hours
- Any donations via so called third parties must be transparent immediately, and made public within 24 hours. Again, both ALP and Liberal party have erred in this regards.
- Any relations with senior union leaders, foreign governments, foreign corporations or wealthy Australians must be made public immediately. Period.
- Any gifts, including travel, from any person to any MP or senior staff member must be recorded and made public within 24 hours.
- AND we need a strong independent federal UICAC well before the next election to which any and all breeches can be referred with a belief of a solid and transparent investigation.

Sincerely

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