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Dear Senators,

I am writing in regards to the Treasury Laws Amendment (News Media and Digital Platforms Mandatory Bargaining Code) Bill 2020.

This matter first came to my attention on the Google homepage when I began reading the messages from Google Australia's managing director Melanie Silva.

I am opposed to any legislation that will give larger businesses an unfair advantage on Google and Youtube. This is especially relevant to me as I plan to grow my Google and Youtube revenue in the future.

Relating to the bill I am concerned about a bill that implements the creation of artificial business performance. This would support Australian news and media companies in Australia, but it would make it difficult for Australian news and media companies to compete in a global market. Melanie Silva has proposed other generous solutions to support Australian news and

media companies. From her urgent links on the Google homepage, it is clear that the Bill will have a large and detrimental effect on everyone in Australia using Google, Youtube and Facebook.

The second point I am concerned about is the legalisation of insider trading. The bill would be in effect legalising insider trading in a democratised market. Under the bill Google and Facebook will have to provide insider insights about algorithm changes that are coming up, and give at least 28 days' notice about those algorithm changes so that the companies can prepare for those changes.

I don't believe that it is fair in a democratised market where certain businesses are privy to legalised insider trading benefits, while other businesses are not.