Senate Finance & Public Administration Committee PO Box 6100 Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

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Dear Senators,

As a custodian of a family agricultural business, based in the Warren/Nyngan district of NSW, owned since 1876. Being 5th generation and having grandchildren being 7th generation I find it impossible to fathom the present erosion of property rights and the native vegetation laws regarding the right to farm ones land.

Each generation has new ideas and risks their own capital to implement them for the efficiency of running properties. The horse and cart, though wonderful, has been superceded by other forms of operations (we do not see many using ink wells and feather pens!?)

For goodness sake let us all be responsible for our endeavors rather than making new laws and two day courses to implement them - wasting precious time that we have very little of.

Yours faithfully

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