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The Committee Secretary  
Inquiry into billboards

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Billboards insert themselves, uninvited and unwanted, into my view.

Advertisers have no right to do this and should not be allowed to do so.

Billboards, "litter on a stick", should be banned.

Canberra is mercifully free from these blights, and should remain so.

Two possible exceptions could be allowed, strictly controlled:

- (1) signs in commercial areas, like Civic, limited in size and fixed to buildings, not freestanding, because they can provide useful information to shoppers
- (2) small roadside signs, for non-commercial organizations only, like schools, which must be dated and removed within 2 weeks.

Otherwise, keep Canberra clean, ban billboards, or they will uglify our city for their own selfish purposes.

Stop billboards before they get a foothold.

- Hugh Dakin.