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The Committee Secretary
Standing Committee on Planning and Urban Renewal

Dear Members of the Committee

My submission to the Inquiry into Billboards by the Standing Committee on Planning and Urban Renewal is below.

Yours sincerely

Ann Cleland

Opposition to billboards in the ACT


As a resident of Canberra for the past 45 years, I wish to add a small voice to the inquiry, with an appeal not to allow any relaxation of the laws forbidding billboards in and around Canberra.

The pleasure of the countryside and urban vistas would not be enhanced by having them obscured by billboards. In particular, when I imagine what they might contain (going on examples elsewhere in the country), I am even less keen – fast food, for example.

The terms of the inquiry include "potential to enliven urban areas". One only has to remember what the road entry into Sydney looks like. I would not call that "enlivening" by any stretch of the imagination. We don't want that here. We are lucky our legislators had the forethought to ban billboards back in the 1930s.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

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