

To the Financial System Inquiry

As a born and bred Australian I would like to present my submission to the inquiry

I am concerned about the financial stability of Australia, in the light of the talk of introducing a Cyprus style bail-in in an attempt to save the tbtbf banks, the problems they are having is in fact their own fault and the people of Australia should not be asked to bail them out when they had nothing to do with the problem.

The problem is with the dishonest use by our banks of the depositor's money to gamble on the derivatives market and when things go belly up they don't want to pay the price.

I call for the introduction of Glass-Steagal in Australia such as was brought in to America in 1933 with the Glass-Steagal act and repealed in 1999 in place of a bail-in.

The Big Four banks and Macquarie need to be split into separate new institutions: commercial banks to hold the deposits and perform the regular safe banking functions for the community, and the Investment banks left separate to perform their risky derivatives gambling with their own funds and therefore take the cost themselves if and when the bubble bursts.

There should be no cross ownership, they should be totally separate with no connections to one another.

And there should be complete honesty to depositors.

We also need a return to our own National Bank owned and run by the Government and responsible to we the people, like the old Commonwealth Bank used to be, the government could then direct credit into real physical economies like manufacturing, agriculture and infrastructure type projects, providing local employment and being for the good of all Australians.