I emphatically oppose the proposed Currency (Restrictions on the Use of Cash) Bill 2019. I am a non-criminal, tax paying resident from Lara, Victoria. My opposition to this bill is based on many factors and I will attempt to address them in no particular order.

Firstly, it is NONE of the governments business how, what, where or when I spend my money. My money has already been taxed, you already know exactly how much I have, and you have NO business telling me how and where I can spend my own left over money (after you’ve stolen 30% of it).

Secondly, I am not a criminal. I am moral (by Gods standards, not yours), I’ve never had a conviction recorded against myself, and I detest the idea that any transaction I make over $10K gives the government the right to dictate how I make said transaction, because I ‘might’ be a criminal (or tax evader) up to no good. Get lost and mind you own business.

Thirdly, decent citizens (subjects from your point of view), should not be risking 2 years in jail for making meaningless transactions. You make evoke the notion that a magistrate could differentiate between a criminal and someone unwittingly braking the law, but that flys in the face of historical accounts. Many other laws have been passed (firearms legislation comes to mind) and decent law abiding people are forced, time and time again, to spend tens of thousands of dollars, defending themselves in court from obvious miscarriages of justice. You’d have to be a blind rabbit to not realise that this happens time and time again with every piece of legislation that gets passed.

Fourthly, this legislation will add another burden onto businesses, large and small, that will hamper growth and profitability. It some cases it will force businesses to move overseas, other will simply close. This terrible legislation will affect the unemployment rate, GDP etc.

Fifthly, inflation will dictate that the ill-advised $10K limit, will soon be an somewhat insignificant amount that will quickly effect many ordinary consumer purchases.

Sixthly, the open loop in the legislation, allowing for future regulation, will easily be abused by bureaucrats. It is far too much power to be putting into the hands of unelected, and mostly uncountable bureaucrats. They are mindless bureaucrats at the end of the day, no matter what department they work for or how righteous their intentions seem to be.

To be honest all of my next points were enlaced with profanities and anti-government sentiment. I’ve chosen to leave them out. Maybe you get where I’m coming from, maybe you don’t. All I won’t to understand is what I stated in my first sentence.

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