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I strongly oppose the Currency (Restrictions on the Use of Cash) Bill 2019 for the following reasons and demand the Australian Government does not allow this bill to pass:

1. The draft bill for was released after COB on a Friday, with little to no media coverage, and no public consultation.
2. The Black Economy Taskforce recommendations report was chaired by an ex-KPMG employee, Michael Andrew. Was a conflict of interest concern investigated?
3. The draft bill, while stated will only be \$10k and over, does not protect this number from being lowered, eventually leading to a cashless society.
4. A move towards a cashless society is dangerous and against our basic rights on many levels; with banks owning us completely and potentially impacting trades in cryptocurrency, gold and other legal commodities.
5. We will lose our basic rights to use cash in day-to-day business and investments, in favour of making us use a bank or other financial institutions to pay and receive services. This will affect all Australians; from those wanting to sell a sofa on Gumtree, to your nephew who mows your lawn for \$10.
6. There will be unavoidable fees, restrictions, potential impacts on funds in savings accounts, as well as privacy concerns that come with a legislation like this.
7. There is also much evidence to suggest this is also to do with bail-in, due to the banking system potentially collapsing in the near future.

It is against our basic human rights to force us into a cashless society, which is what this bill sets a precedent for. I do not consent to this bill and I ask that the Australian Government strongly considers the implications for its citizens, including their own families, and rejects this bill.

Thank you,
Kate Swan.