From: Sunshine

To: Agriculture Resources and Environment Committee

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We wish to comment on the proposed Land Protection Legislation (Flying-Fox Control) Amendment Bill 2012

We are of the opinion that

Section **96B** (1)(b) A regulation or conservation plan under the Nature Conservation Act 1992 should not be over-ruled by this amendment. Such plans were instigated for species protection.

96C Control of Flying-foxes This section relies on the definition of *reasonable*. How is this clause to be interpreted, in other words what would constitute a *reasonable* belief.

- (2) (a) and (c) A landowner should not have the automatic right to destroy a flying-fox, or a flying-fox roost.
- **(4)** The Minister should not have the automatic right to direct a local government to take action under subsection (2) The local government would have valid reasons for not taking action.

Part 3 Amendment of Nature Conservation Act 1992

Clause 6 Omission of Section s88 (Restrictions relating to flying-foxes and flying fox roosts) This section must be retained for the protection of the flying fox, a valuable pollinator of many plant species.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

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