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**MANUFACTURED HOMES (RESIDENTIAL PARKS) AMENDMENT
(POSTPONEMENT) REGULATION**

Disallowance of Statutory Instrument

 **Mr POWER** (Logan—ALP) (5.54 pm): I rise to support the disallowance motion because I want to see greater action on this issue. I want to urge the House to do the same by telling you a story about a gentleman in my electorate, a resident who rang me about his father who had, sadly, gone into care for dementia. He had put a significant part of his lifesavings into buying a manufactured home. That was something he had been proud of but not something he could continue to live in. His son, being a dutiful and caring son, wanted to take care of his issues and to follow his instructions to sell the house. That is one of the toughest things we think we will face in our lives to begin with; however, this was made so much worse when he could not sell the house because the estate—which was outside of my electorate—the manufactured home was in was continuing to sell houses and had no interest in helping the existing residents to sell their houses. What rubbed salt in the wound for this son—and I hope he hid it from his father—was that his father's money was continuing to erode, not only due to the cost of care in the dementia clinic but also because he was continuing to pay rent in a house he could no longer occupy. I took these issues to the previous minister and the minister took action to put these laws in place. We actually took this to extensive hearings, and I participated in them with some of the people who are in the gallery. We listened to what they said, we took it back to this place and voted on this bill to become law. Now it seems there is a rearguard action to delay them. I want to keep honour with that son who kept honour with his father. That is why I want the support of everyone in this House to vote for this disallowance motion and see these things put in place.

I am also very passionate about site rent increases that go well beyond the ability of residents to pay. We want to see some limits on that. That is because, unlike any other rental arrangement, the person involved has put in a massive capital investment, co-sharing, in effect, in the manufactured home. They feel a loss of control in the place where they wanted to feel safe and secure. Now, members in this House, you can do something about that. You can move the disallowance motion that we have put forward today. I note that no-one on the other side is standing up to defend the minister's delays. No-one on the other side actually thinks that what is happening here is correct, or else they would defend it. I urge you to listen to those people in your parks, listen to the pleas of a son whose father is in dementia care and do the right thing and support the shadow minister's disallowance motion because it will make a difference by giving residents security in their houses.

I have a simple message: the bills that we passed last year after so much consultation are making a difference to give people in manufactured homes a sense of security about the very home they live in—in which they have invested with pride and built their community. You can do something today. I hope you do not let them down.