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Rev. Fred Nile's Statement on His Parliamentary Activity

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2020 has been a considerably busy year for Rev Fred Nile MLC despite the Corona shutdown throughout the state. While the number of days that parliament has been sitting have been reduced, the legislative work continues. Some of the key bills that Rev Nile has addressed parliament have included the following:

- The Design and Building Practitioners Bill 2019, which was a government initiative supported by Christian Democratic Party in the Legislative Council.
- The Evidence Amendment (Tendency and Coincidence) Bill 2020, another government initiative that was supported by the CDP.
- The Law Enforcement Conduct Commission Amendment Bill 2020, which was supported in Committee by the CDP.
- The Crimes Amendment (Special Care Offences) Bill 2020, also received support from the CDP in the Legislative Council.

- The Mental Health and Cognitive Impairment Forensic Provisions Bill 2020, was the most recent government bill which was backed by Rev Nile during the debates in the Legislative Council.

Three bills which have been initiated by the Christian Democratic Party and which Rev Nile has introduced into the Legislative Council include “Zoe’s Law” (which acknowledges the personhood of an unborn child who dies in circumstances where the mother is accidentally killed) and “Nicole’s Law” (which establishes a public register for child sex offenders).

Another CDP bill which aims to compensate innocent shareholders who lost their investments after the cancellation of a mining lease under a former government has also gone through Committee, and the Committee Report as well as the Government Response will likely be debated in August. In addition to the legislative work undertaken by Rev Nile in 2020, the following issues have also been raised in parliament:

- Tribute to the late June Daly-Watkins.
- A statement about the government sacking AusGrid workers in breach of their statutory obligations, where those obligations were part of CDP amendments.
- Contributions to various Motions moved in the Legislative Council, including the Sydney Night-time Economy, Indigenous Deaths in Custody, Outrage at the Vandalism of Public Monuments, and the 75th Anniversary of Victory in Europe Day.

Earlier this year Rev Nile suffered an accident which caused considerable pain to his lower back with fractured bones. However he is very pleased to report a full recovery and looks forward to continuing the important work in the Parliament House representing Christians, people of faith, conservatives and every-day people throughout New South Wales, as he has for over 39 years as a Parliamentarian and as Federal President of the CDP. Rev Nile stated that:

“I will retire only if God instructs me to do so. My work is not just a job, it is a vocation and a calling from Almighty God. So long as God’s calling continues, so shall I.”

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