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Dear Trish Barnes

When I consider the proposed changes to Australia's media laws I feel outraged and disgusted as I believe Australian democracy and culture depends on there being no further loss of media diversity in any area of Australia and a strong independent national public broadcaster.

I want no reduction in the number of media outlets in metropolitan or local areas across Australia.

I want no weakening of the cross-media ownership laws that currently regulate the type of media outlets that can be owned in any market.

I want the issuing of media licences to remain with a relevant public authority which is independent from government.

I want the lifting of restrictions on the types of programmes the ABC and SBS can multichannel

Pete Snalley