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Born after 2000

I am 67 years old & together with my wife run a gift shop & specialist tobacconist  
These businesses are our superannuation.

We employ 3 ladies part-time & 1 full-time, the bulk of our turnover is from the tobacco shop

GST generated from our business is in excess of \$200,000.00 per year.

We sell a legal product & pay all our license fees

Due to break ins around the state we have to spend huge amounts on security

This in turn creates more jobs for Tasmanians

Politicians were elected to run Tasmania; they were not elected to run TASMANIANS

If the government makes a bad financial decision the public pays

If a private business owner makes a bad financial decision he pays

It appears that Mr Dean wants a state of robots to program, with him doing the programming

Apparently his father died from emphysema, possibly caused from smoking, to my knowledge his father was not forced to smoke, he probably did so as his legal choice, does that mean everything that causes one to die should be banned?

Just imagine what a state Tasmania would look like,

No cars for people or politicians, trucks, bikes, buses

No industry, mining, fishing

No builders, plumbers, roofing & pink batts installers

No doctors, drugs "legal or illegal"

So what are we left with? What the greens have always wanted. A Giant National Park

The only positive would be Mr Dean would have to go & find a real job somewhere else

When were politicians elected to make decisions for peoples personal choices? This

really smacks of dictatorship & if you as a government go down this path then it opens the way for politicians to choose anything they want.

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Thus rendering us the electorate to become ROBOTS

In an election no standing politician would ever lose his/her seat because the voter would be told what to do

I have to presume that no politician in Tasmania has ever made a wrong decision in relation to any personal choice

People born after 2000 will be given a life sentence to never be able to purchase a legal packet of cigarettes, they will of course be able to smoke as many as they like, still be able to buy alcohol & still buy drugs (drug dealers don't ask your age), similarities here to prohibition, but we all know how well that worked!

They will still be able to drive (some like hoons, as is now), still be able to drink alcohol (maybe become domestic violence offenders), still be able to use illicit drugs (you can't even keep it out of jails), yet the mostly honest tobacco retailer is tested by children sent in by your government to see if we accidentally or deliberately sell them a packet of smokes.

In general we the Tobacco Retailers are the only ones that police your policy re over 18. E-cigarettes are a worldwide phenomenon yet in Australia it is illegal to sell them with nicotine, yet it is quite legal to buy from overseas for personal use, great idea this, support overseas businesses & no GST collected (I wonder which smart politician thought this one up)

In my specialist tobacco shop I am not even allowed to sell an E-cigarette without nicotine, (risk fine up to \$6,500 if I do) yet any other shop in Tasmania can (another clever politician)

What we obviously need is an election, where all the things you want to change are spelled out in plain English, don't bother with any B---S---, then we might see a vastly different result with maybe 30 different parties running the state, all with their own petty agendas

It probably wouldn't be good for the state financially but what the hell, a lot of people would at least get a fair say in what is fed into the robots memory chip.

We have life sentences being handed down for murder but they are usually free in 8 to 15 years, why don't you do something about this?

It appears that Murderers, Rapists, Terrorists, Drug addicts & Drug Dealers are afforded a higher place in society than those born after 2000.

Currently I have to ask young people "are you over 18" before serving them, in 2020 I will have to ask "are you over 20" & in 2050 someone will have to ask "are you over 50" I wonder what foreign or interstate tourists will say to that!

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If this pathetic law comes to fruition, you will need to increase the size of the police force to enact this law, you will also need to increase the size of the court system to handle the number of cases & lastly our jails (at least they will still be able to get drugs in there)

Finally if I had children today I would be happy if the worst they did was to smoke (legal kind) & drink alcohol in moderation

The worst thing you can ever tell a child is:-

NO YOU CAN'T because THEN THEY WILL

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