Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and Other Legislation Amendment (Northern Territory National Emergency Response and Other Measures) Bill 2007

(Amendment to be moved by Senator Evans on behalf of the Opposition in committee of the whole)

(1) Clause 4, page 3 (lines 11 to 17), omit subclauses (1) and (2), substitute:

(1) Subject to subsection (3), the provisions of this Act, and any acts done under or for the purposes of those provisions, are, for the purposes of the Racial Discrimination Act 1975, special measures and are consistent with Part 2 of the Racial Discrimination Act 1975.

(2) Subject to subsection (3), the provisions of this Act, and any acts done under or for the purposes of those provisions, are not laws as described by subsection 10(3) of the Racial Discrimination Act 1975.

(2) Schedule 4, item 12, page 41 (after line 12), insert:

70AB Designated persons

(1) For the purposes of sections 70B to 70F inclusive, a designated person refers to:

(a) a person referred to in section 70(2A);  
(b) a journalist acting in their professional capacity; or  
(c) a person performing functions as an agent of the Commonwealth government or of the Northern Territory government on official business;

journalist means a member of a professional organisation recognised by the regulations for the purposes of this subsection.

(3) Schedule 4, item 12, page 41 (line 13) to page 43 (line 30), section 70B, omit “a person” (twice occurring), substitute “a designated person”.

(4) Schedule 4, item 12, page 44 (line 1) to page 45 (line 26), section 70C, omit “a person” (three times occurring), substitute “a designated person”.

[designated persons]
(5) Schedule 4, item 12, page 44 (line 1) to page 45 (line 26), section 70C, omit “the person” (three times occurring), substitute “the designated person”.

(6) Schedule 4, item 12, page 46 (line 1) to page 47 (line 23), section 70D, omit “a person” (three times occurring), substitute “a designated person”.

(7) Schedule 4, item 12, page 46 (line 1) to page 47 (line 23), section 70D, omit “the person” (twice occurring), substitute “the designated person”.

(8) Schedule 4, item 12, page 47 (line 24) to page 50 (line 9), section 70E, omit “a person” (twice occurring), substitute “a designated person”.

(9) Schedule 4, item 12, page 50 (line 10) to page 53 (line 5), section 70F, omit “a person” (twice occurring), substitute “a designated person”.

(10) Schedule 4, item 14, page 53 (after line 29), at the end of proposed section 74AA, add:

(2) A Land Council may, by writing, request that the Minister revoke a permit issued to a person under subsection 70(2BB) where there are, in the opinion of the Council, reasonable grounds to believe that the person is of bad character.

[revoking of permits]