



## **Senator Malcolm Roberts**

One Nation Senator for Queensland

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## **Senator Roberts calls for PFAS Compensation Now**

How many more investigations and committees is it going to take for property owners living in PFAS toxic contamination zones around Australia to be compensated so they can move on with their lives?

It has been years since the shocking disclosure to residents that PFAS contaminations had made their homes worthless and there was a real danger that it may cause serious illnesses like cancer.

“Families have lost their homes and in many cases their incomes, leaving people with no place to live and no income to survive. They have been forced out of their homes through no fault of their own”, stated Senator Roberts.

At today’s Senate Estimates Senator Roberts was clearly frustrated that all the focus from the Defence Department and the government was about remediation of sites, rather than compensation and buy-backs for the victims whose properties fall within the toxic “red” zones.

“While the investigation into how to remediate the hundreds of sites around Australia is vital, what is a matter of extreme urgency is giving families back their lives. No more delays”, the Senator added.

The second PFAS Senate report tabled in December 2018 included a recommendation for property buy-back. This is just one of the nine recommendations the government are yet to respond to.

“One Nation calls on the government to provide immediate compensation for affected residents.”