

Senator Malcolm Roberts

One Nation Senator for Queensland

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MEDIA RELEASE

One Nation secures victory for live exporters

A One Nation motion asking the Government to rule out an appeal to the Federal Court decision that the 2011 Live Export Ban was unlawful, received a majority vote in the Senate today.

Senator Roberts moved the motion after the Government indicated they would appeal the decision.

Senator Roberts stated, "This decision should ensure the \$750 million in compensation is paid to farmers whose livelihoods were destroyed by the Gillard Labor Government's decision to suspend live cattle exports in 2011."

"I call on the Government to honour today's commitment and ensure families who have suffered financial hardship receive their compensation without further legal delay."

Live exports are a fundamental part of our country, our economy and vital to regional Australia.

Senator Roberts added, "No Australian industry should be closed down overnight based on falsified reports, no consultation and with indifference to people's livelihoods.

"The Government needs to pay the compensation now and restore confidence and security to the live export sector."