

Brown refers Exclusive Brethren matters to Senate committee

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Greens Leader Bob Brown has moved a notice of motion to refer a number of matters concerning the Exclusive Brethren Christian sect to the Senate's Community Affairs Committee.

Senator Brown wants the Committee to examine public funding and tax arrangements which may advantage Brethren members.

He says the inquiry would examine the education opportunities for Brethren children, who are not allowed to attend tertiary institutions.

"It would also perhaps look at the \$10 million paid to five Brethren schools around Australia in January this year, those schools have a population combined of just 2,000 students," he said.

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