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The rhetoric that changing these laws would benefit the environment has been proven to be false. Land clearing has increased significantly since the laws changed in 2016, as in the building industry, self regulation is a ridiculous concept only there for exploitation by those who campaign against legislation.

The rate of animal extinctions in New South Wales is alarming and won't be contained unless environmental protection laws represent the urgency of the need to protect biodiversity and maintain, or now, reconnect wildlife corridors.

An inquiry by your own government found that the old land clearing laws were vital in protecting koala habitat. This government is responsible for the survival or extinction of the koala.

The rapid decline in the quality and quantity of native vegetation and therefore native fauna is very distressing. Do not take it all for granted.

**Lorraine Jones**