

Briefing for the Minister Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation

Request for Inquiry into the Australian Vaccinationskeptics Network (AVSN)

Issue

That the Minister cause an inquiry to be made by an authorised inspector pursuant to section 26 of the *Charitable Fundraising Act 1991* (the Fundraising Act).

Analysis

The Minister has reason to believe that the AVSN may be conducting or has conducted, or may be participating or has participated in, a fundraising appeal under the Fundraising Act.

Under section 26 of the Fundraising Act, the Minister may cause an inquiry to be made into the AVSN as a potentially unauthorised fundraiser. It is proposed that such inquiry be made by an authorised inspector exercising powers under section 27 of the Act.

Recommendations and Actions

Approve an inquiry being made pursuant to section 26 of the Fundraising Act to inquire whether the AVSN is conducting or has conducted, or is participating or has participated in, a fundraising appeal under the Act by an authorized inspector.

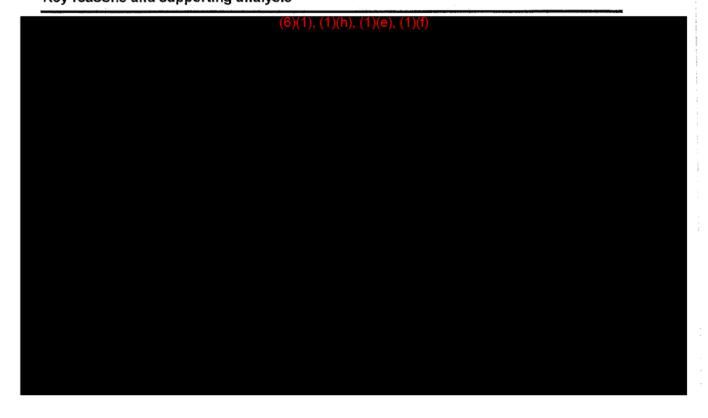
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Key reasons and supporting analysis



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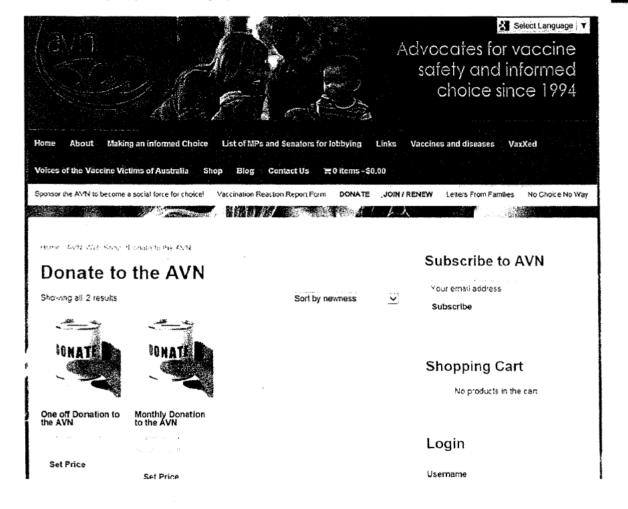
Background

The AVSN is an association established under the Associations Incorporation Act 2009 (NSW) (the Associations Act).

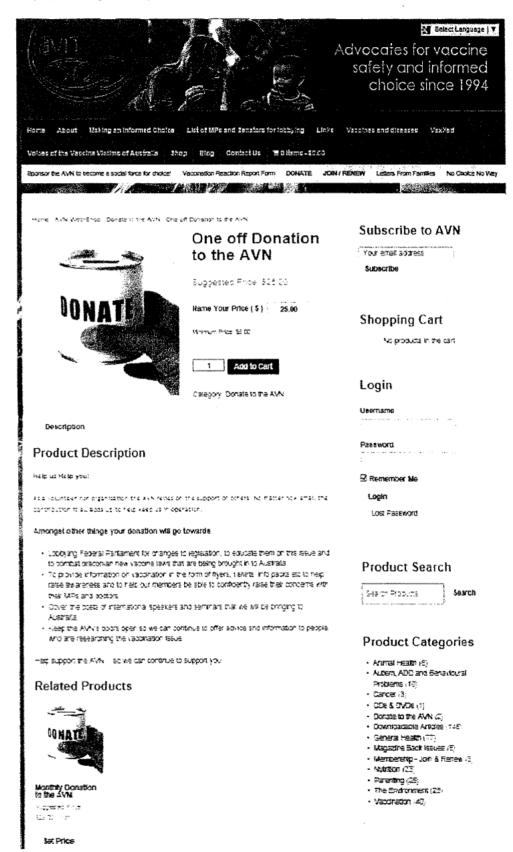
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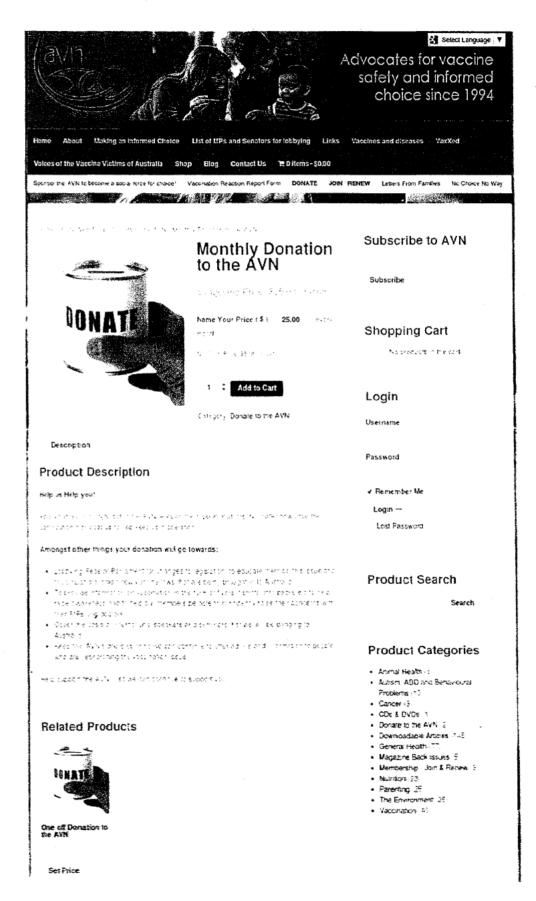
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