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## THE GREENS WILL MANIPULATE UPPER HOUSE REFORM

“The change to the Victorian Upper House is the dumbest thing any sovereign government in a nation like Australia could have done, especially when it had control of both Houses of Parliament,” a forum at Parliament House was told last week.

## UPPER HOUSE REFORM IS DUMB AND BAD FOR VICTORIA

“The Bracks government deliberately and coldly brought in a system which guarantees the Greens will control the Upper House forever in Victoria.”

A senior Tasmanian Parliamentarian told the gathering that “It will evolve that while the two major parties are head to head, behind the scenes the Greens will be running the show as they did in Tasmania for years.”

The so called reforms of the Upper house in Victoria were given the spray at the forum conducted by the Push for the Bush lobby group.

Rene Hidding, former leader of the Opposition in Tasmania and a keen observer of how the Greens policies have adversely affected Tasmania, let fly with the succinct words.

“In Tasmania, in the years where there was, what was called ‘the Labor/Green Accord’, all hell broke loose.

“The net effect will mean, in particular, that recreational and commercial users of public land will be particularly damaged.”

“On a daily basis the Greens were extracting something from the Government of the day. They are very good at getting what they want behind the scenes and that is what will happen in Victoria.”

“The Greens will move in, and take over the micro management of policy if they hold the balance of power in Victoria.”

“The only hope is for concerned people to expose the Greens’ policies which look really good at first glance and it is only when you drill down that you realise the implications of what they’re on about.”

“At election time, the Greens will pretend to drop controversial policies like legalising drugs, imposing a capital gains tax on the family home and death taxes. Just under the surface those policies will always emerge at the right time,” Mr. Hidding told the audience.

Moving on to the general issues, Mr. Hidding told the forum that Australia has been settled for more than two hundred years and the bush and our land is relatively unscathed, yet the Greens claim it is a disaster.

“It is always a question of balanced use for our land and our resources for the greater good,” he concluded.

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