Gerry Wood, the Independent Member for Nelson, says the live cattle ban highlights the lack of common sense and thought given by the Federal Government in making this decision.

He says the Prime Minister has come out recently saying how in Aboriginal communities her Government is committed to create real jobs and get people off welfare.

Gerry says that the ban of live cattle exports has done exactly the opposite and many of those Aboriginal people working on cattle stations especially Aboriginal cattle stations will be sent back onto welfare if the live trade ban is not lifted.

Gerry reckons that the welfare of these people had not been given any consideration by short sighted politicians who made this decision.