

TWU welcomes NSW parliament motion on Qantas' outsourcing plan

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The Australian Transport Workers' Union has welcomed a motion by the NSW Upper House of Parliament condemning the possible outsourcing of 2,500 Qantas jobs.

Richard Olsen, TWU NSW branch secretary said the support would mean a lot to Qantas workers at Sydney Airport.

Mark Buttigieg, ALP MLC moved the motion on Qantas' outsourcing that passed 23 votes to 17.

The motion states: "The move to outsource will impact adversely on the workers in New South Wales since the aim of the outsourcing is to engage workers on lower rates and conditions."

It "calls on Qantas to immediately reverse its decision to outsource the jobs of the 2,500 hardworking Australians."

The TWU has begun legal proceedings against Qantas over the outsourcing, with the Fair Work Commission hearing the case.

A report by Ernst & Young states the criteria Qantas has set for workers to bid for their own jobs is "unattainable and unrealistic".