



Anti-gay marriage campaign ramps up

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A group opposing gay marriage has ramped up its campaign ahead of this weekend's Upper House elections.

The Save the Marriage Coalition will distribute flyers in Nelson, Pembroke and Montgomery, opposing social changes.

The group's spokesman, former Liberal Senator Guy Barnett, says there should be more focus on the economy, rather than on social issues.

"We're being swamped in Tasmania at the moment with the green social reform agenda and we believe the parliament should get its priorities right," he said.

"Business is struggling, unemployment is rising and the community is suffering."

The Greens' Nelson candidate has hit out at the campaign.

Tom Baxter says marriage equality will benefit the state.

"Clearly Guy Barnett's leaflets are telling people 'put the Greens last'."

"He's welcome to say that, but he should do it on the basis of correct information.

"The information in his leaflets, some of it is not accurate in my view."

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