



Laws are wrong and must be fought

THE government's media reforms are an attempt to stop scrutiny of its foolish behaviour, a rally outside Communications Minister Stephen Conroy's office was told yesterday.

About 50 people were outside the Melbourne office as Victorian Liberal Andrew Elsbury said a photo in a local newspaper last week had made him look like a

dill, but he should not be able to stop it appearing simply because he didn't agree with it.

"That is the thing about this legislation, we have a government that is a dill, trying to stop people from finding out about it, and that's why this legislation is wrong and it must be fought against with every fibre of our bodies," he said.

Liberal Senator Scott Ryan also spoke at the rally and said newspaper journalists would be subject to laws simply because of where they worked.

Tarun Singh, who organised the rally, said he was concerned the new laws would allow the government to decide who owned the media and stamp out any dissent.



Scott Ryan
at the
protest rally
yesterday.