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# GetUp's petition part of the democratic process, says Barnaby Joyce

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FEDERAL Member for New England, Barnaby Joyce said a decision by the leftist lobby group GetUp to organise a petition calling on former Independent MP Tony Windsor to stand for the New England at the next Federal Election, an indictment of Australia's political freedom.

"Everybody knows that GetUp is a lobbyist group from the left and they are going to push for candidates from their political spectrum," Mr Joyce said.

"It is their right to support Independents against the Coalition.

"It's a great country we live in, that they can organise these petitions is just part of the democratic process," he said.

"GetUp has policies that include wanting us to open our borders and to close down our live cattle export trade.

"Overwhelmingly GetUp pushes for candidates from the left of the political spectrum."

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