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Trigger-happy Senate President, as Culleton granted appeal

KAP Federal Member for Kennedy, Bob Katter said, "The more we become aware what has been done to Senator Culleton the more clear it becomes that the Liberal Party counts on the vote of One Nation."

This morning in the Perth Federal Court, Senator Rod Culleton was granted his right to have an Appeal heard on his bankruptcy ruling.

The Senator's Appeal application was a live matter last week when the Senate President removed Senator Culleton from his elected seat in the Senate on the basis of Senator Culleton's bankruptcy declaration being finally determined, which at the time -- it was not.

Mr Katter said, "Whilst One Nation may have started off the 'Killing of Culleton', it is most certainly the Liberal Party who are trying to finish the job. The Liberals are doing exactly the same job on Senator Culleton that they did on Pauline Hanson herself. I was always appalled with what they did to her and publicly said so on numerous occasions. However, it is hard to feel sorry for her now.

"It's becoming clear now that the Liberals with the support of One Nation moved at lightning speed to bankrupt Senator Culleton and in my opinion, stand him down from the Senate.

"On the issue of bankruptcy, the Liberal W.A Government gets to make the decision (in cahoots with One Nation).

If Senator Culleton is thrown out over the loss of a \$7 key then the Liberals and One Nation do not get to choose his replacement. It goes to the number 2 on the ballot who is a One Nation True Believer, not of the new, 'James Ashby (Liberal) One Nation' that we see today.

"The staggering injustice of what has been done to Senator Culleton to make it legally impossible for him to defend himself... His tiny little pockets against the Government acting with the support of his One Nation party leadership.

"The President of the Senate with the support of One Nation has taken away Senator Culleton's most basic rights to appeal. By having his bank accounts frozen. They have effectively killed his ability to appeal.

"It's clear now that while the Liberals could count on One Nation doing as they're told on the 4 burning issues,

1. For the 'Bash up the workers' bill (ACCC),
2. For the 'Bash up the farmers' bill (Backpacker's Tax),
3. For the Sale of Kidman to Gina Rinehart and Shanghai CRED,
4. Failure to push for a Royal Commission into the banking industry.

"Senator Culleton has been a vote we can count on for these 4 key heartland issues.

"The Liberals could count on One Nation to sell out on their principals on all 4 issues, they could not count on Senator Rod Culleton. He represents the One Nation True Believers and he represents the

policies of One Nation that we have always supported, but the One Nation we knew is not the One Nation that exists today.

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